



# THE PARKVILLE ASSOCIATION Inc.

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Notice of Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 1 March 2005

The Annual General Meeting of the Parkville Association will be held Tuesday 1 March 2005 at 8.00 p.m. in College Church Hall, 188 Gatehouse Street, Parkville. Nominations and election of office-bearers for 2005 will take place at the meeting. Please ensure that your membership is in good standing in order to be eligible to vote. New nominations for the Committee are welcome.

Detective Sergeant Troy Burg of Victoria Police's Carlton Crime Investigation Unit will attend to brief us the pilot Electronic Crime Watch initiative.

It is anticipated that a team from Women's & Child Health will also attend this meeting to brief us on the status of planning for the development of the Royal Women's Hospital on the Conibere site of the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

*Light supper to follow and time to catch up with friends & neighbours*

#### **Parkville Ensemble Concert in April**

Stuart Riley advises that the Parkville Ensemble will give a concert on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April, with proceeds to be donated to the tsunami relief. The program is likely to be of baroque music (Bach? Vivaldi? Both? Stay tuned!). It is sure to be another great musical treat, so watch for details of the program and time of the concert and in the meantime reserve this Sunday afternoon.

#### **Planning & Heritage**

*Visit of New Councillors to Parkville*  
Cr Catherine Ng and new councillors Gary Singer (Deputy Lord Mayor) and David Wilson visited Parkville on the afternoon of 15/02/05, meeting with a subgroup of the Parkville Association Committee. The meeting provided an opportunity to personally introduce Parkville as a heritage area of national significance, highlight its features and current issues of concern including

Gatehouse Street and associated traffic problems.

#### *Government's Parkville Precinct Strategy*

The Association has actively sought an opportunity to be heard in relation to the strategic planning for the Parkville Precinct, and accordingly the Planning and Heritage Subcommittee had discussions with the KPMG team handling the Government's Parkville Precinct Strategy on 15/02/05 as a preliminary to a possible public meeting where plans can be discussed.

#### *Royal Women's Hospital Development*

A planning team from the RWH, together with their selected tenderer, is to meet with the Parkville Association Committee on 23/02/05 to present their concept plans. It is anticipated that the team will make a presentation at the Annual General Meeting of the Association on 1st March 2005. This continues on from the earlier public meeting of the Parkville Association at which development of the Royal Women's Hospital on the Conibere site of the Royal Melbourne Hospital was discussed.

#### **Vale Dr Yvonne Aitken AM**

Friend and mentor to numerous Parkvillians, Dr Yvonne Aitken "lived on a plane of her own choosing ... oblivious to time and immune to fashion, whether it be of life-style or academic attitude". She was a pioneering agricultural scientist whose research took her to remote areas of the globe such as Central Asia and Patagonia in her mission to elucidate the influence of day length on the maturation of crops. Her achievements were recognized by the award of Doctor of Science, and by

her Fellowship of the Royal Society. She was awarded the AM (Member of the Order of Australia) in recognition of her contribution to Australian ecology. Her name lives on in the scientific record, in the scholarships named for her by the University of Melbourne and in the Janet Clarke Hall residence named in her honour. Dr Aitken died 29/11/2004 aged 94.

*[The quotation in this tribute is used with the permission of the writer, Margaret Henderson, a friend of Yvonne's since student days].*

#### **Laneways Have Heritage Value & Charm**

Newcomers to Parkville might be surprised to know that our laneways, as well as our streets, are classified in recognition of their heritage value. Parkville's wide laneways with their bluestone pitchers and interesting rear-of-house features have a charm of their own. You can play a part in maintaining that charm by ensuring that all bins are taken in promptly by Monday evening, after bins have been emptied. It is in fact a requirement that residents remove bins without delay; it is also to our collective advantage to do so since bins in laneways offer convenient assistance to burglars in scaling rear fences.

#### **Tracing the History of Your House**

A new national edition of *The National Trust Research Manual* edited by Trust Senior Historian Dr Celestina Sagazio is now available from the National Trust at Tasma Terrace and from commercial booksellers.

*The National Trust Research Manual: Trace the History of Your House or Other Places*, Halstead Press, \$29.95 (RRP) or \$25 for Trust members.

**Graffiti - Council Can Help You**

City of Melbourne is keen to assist in cleaning up this problem promptly. Graffiti is easier to remove if done as soon as possible after the incident and a *Graffiti Fact Sheet* that is available from Council gives useful advice. A current incentive offers residents the option of a paint voucher or graffiti removal kit to assist in graffiti reduction on private property. An application form is needed to obtain this assistance.

To obtain a copy of the *Graffiti Fact Sheet*, or the Application Form for the voucher or kit, contact City of Melbourne on 9658 9658 or Email [enquiries@melbourne.vic.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@melbourne.vic.gov.au)

**Tram Priority Program**

Improvements in travel time and reliability of tram services are being sought under this program, also known as *Think Tram*, with the focus on the busiest parts of Melbourne’s tram

network.

Under a two-year program, VicRoads in partnership with the Department of Infrastructure and Yarra Trams, will be reviewing traffic management, tram operations and ways to improve technology to achieve the aims of the program. As a basis for this, a Full Feature Survey of Royal Parade has been commissioned by VicRoads and began during the week of 7<sup>th</sup> February. Proposals for changes will be notified in the usual way, and stakeholder consultation will be subject to the usual arrangements, the North-West Region of VicRoads advises.

Queries may be addressed by email to [rbpt@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:rbpt@roads.vic.gov.au). Telephone enquiries regarding road and signal works – VicRoads 9313 1397; Tram operations – Yarra Trams 1800 800 166; Tram policy DOI 9655 6500.

**An Invitation** - All who live or work in Parkville are welcome to join the Association so don’t miss the opportunity to play your part in the Parkville community. Become a member by completing the form below, attend our functions, and use your Association to take up your concerns.

Please include your email address, as this facilitates contact.

**MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM - JANUARY – DECEMBER 2005**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>
<b>Address:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
<b>Renewal      or      New Member      (please tick )</b>	
<b>Annual membership</b>	<b>– Individual \$15      Concession \$7.50      Family \$35</b>
<b>Life membership</b>	<b>– Individual \$150</b>
<b>And/or donation for Heritage Fund \$..... and/or General Fund \$.....</b>	
<b>Total amount enclosed \$ .....</b>	

Cheques should be made payable to The Parkville Association Inc.  
Send form and payment to The Treasurer, Parkville Association, PO Box 54, Parkville 3052.      3

## A BRIEF GUIDE TO PARKVILLE SHOPS & SERVICES 2005

Name	Services	Hours of Opening
Laundrette, corner Park Drive & Wimble Streets		7 days 7.30 a.m. – 10.30 p.m.
McKenzie's Guest House, 32 Degraes Street (corner Park Drive) <a href="http://www.mckenziehouse.com.au">http://www.mckenziehouse.com.au</a>	Boutique budget accommodation	
Mink Hair & Body, 51 Royal Parade	Unisex hairdresser & etc.	Mon – Tues 9.30 a.m. – 6.30 p.m. Wed & Fri 9.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m. Thurs 9.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m. Sat 8.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Naughton's Hotel, 43 Royal Parade	Restaurant 12 – 3; 6 – 9	Mon – Fri 12.00 noon – 1.00 a.m.
Parkville Newsagency, 55 Royal Parade	Drycleaning, Metcards	Mon – Fri 7.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m. Sat 7.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. Sun 7.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.
Parkville Post Office, corner Fitzgibbon & Bayles Streets	Bills payment, stock includes gifts & cards	Mon – Fri 7.30 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Parkville Store, corner Morrah & Wimble Streets	Dairy & general, fruit & veg., also salads & home-cooked meals & catering	Mon – Fri 7.30 a.m. – 7.00 p.m. Sat & Sun 8.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.
Red Cafe, 369 Royal Parade	Coffee & etc.	Mon – Fri 7.00 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Rene Take Away Food, 53 Royal Parade	Coffee bar	Mon – Fri 8.00 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. Sat 8.00 a.m. – 2.30 p.m.
Vibe Hotel (formerly the Laureate), 441 Royal Parade	Café, Restaurant, Conferences & Accommodation	7 days 6.30 a.m. – late (around 10 p.m.)

*Note: This brief guide is intended as an aid for newcomers to the area; the Parkville Association makes no claims or recommendations for any of the businesses/ services listed.*