

Waterside

Residents Association

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A Waterside Residents Association Publication

From My Desk

This four page publication has been produced to encourage residents to both attend the WRA AGM, and to support the association with a membership.

The matter at hand

The AGM will be held on November 4th. At that meeting we will need to make a significant decision that will have an effect on the whole Waterside community. The fate of the security service and perhaps the organisation.

The history

A short history of security events for WRA would start with Mandurah Industrial Guards (MIG).

MIG provided security for Waterside since the beginning of the WRA security service with four patrols per night.

In December 2016, MIG advised they needed to double the annual fee to cover the cost of WRA security. Three patrols, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and four patrols Friday, Saturday and Sunday would be \$36,000 per annum.

The committee could not agree to this proposal and went to the market to find a company that could provide a service to the WRA within the finite budget, which is predicated by the current membership.

In May 2016 Perth Security Services (PSS) were appointed on an affordable contract to provide four patrols per night .

This lasted until March 2018 when PSS withdrew from the contract.

Within the month of March 2018 the security contract was taken over by Corporate Enforcement and Security (CES).

Just 4 months later, in June 2018, CES walked away from their contract as it was making a loss.

What has become increasingly clear is that these companies were under quoting in order to gain the business and then unable to deliver. It was also clear to any observer that the annual fees had to increase if the WRA were to continue to supply a reliable service, or the service had to be downgraded.

In July 2018 the committee appointed Armsec as a temporary arrangement to supply services for a period to allow the committee to consult resident members. This is temporary as it is at an annual cost in excess of current income, even for a reduced service of two patrols on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and three patrols Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday.



Mark Wall
WRA committee

The aim is to establish a patrol of at least 4 per night or three at night and one day patrol 7 days a week 365 days a year. (A majority of burglaries occur in the day time). This level of service will require and increase in fees to about \$200.00 pa at current membership.

The cost of the service is explored for you below.

Without a huge increase in membership, and that is unlikely as some will always stand by and let other carry the cost, the WRA must increase fees to maintain a service at its optimum level. The alternative is a reduced service or none at all.

Together, and with an independent security service we are stronger and more resilient to those that wish to take or destroy what we have achieved in our lifetime.

Come on, don't shirk, join WRA.

From my desk is a personal opinion piece.

Why we need to increase fees

One reason we need to increase the annual fees is because some residents think that as you pay, and cover the cost, they can get a free ride. If your neighbour does not have a Waterside Member sticker on their property, they are likely free loading, or have some excuse for not paying.

The simple fact is, the more people who are willing to join the WRA the less each will need to pay.

Unfortunately there are some in our community that feel they can avoid paying

because others have. That situation may be about to come to an end. Unless enough people join or renew membership of the WRA it may be forced to wind up or scale down

operations through lack of

financial support. Keep in mind that the existing arrangement, as shown, is temporary and due a review after the AGM

Suggestion one (Recommended)	
4 patrols 365 days	
Members	Annual fee
221 (Current members)	\$200.00
340 (Total households)	\$124.00

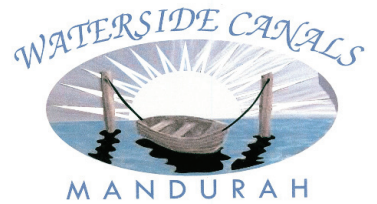
Suggestion two (current rotation)	
2 patrols M,T,W & 3 patrols T, F, S, S 365 days	
Members	Annual Fee
221 (Current members)	\$130.00
340 (Total households)	\$75.00

Suggestion three	
3 patrols 365 days	
Members	Annual fee
221 (Current members)	\$140.00
340 (Total households)	\$95.00

Suggestion four	
2 patrols 365 days	
Members	Annual fee
221 (Current members)	\$100.00
340 (Total households)	\$65.00

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AGM



- ⊗ Do you travel overseas or go north for winter?
- ⊗ Do you worry about your property when you are not there?
- ⊗ Are you concerned about burglary?
- ⊗ Have you read about local home invasions?
- ⊗ Do you wonder why Mandurah was one of three areas in Australia selected for welfare drug testing?

Crime statistics for Mandurah:

- ⊗ Dwelling Burglary
- ⊗ 2007 - 177 and 2017 - 263
- ⊗ Drug offenses
- ⊗ 2007 - 166 and 2017 - 340
- ⊗ Home invasions have increased.



**Do you like the security of patrols on your street?
Do you actually care enough to come to the AGM?**

**Help maintain our local security,
join the Waterside Residents Association**

Venue: Halls Head Bowling Club

3 Sticks Bvde Erskine 6210

4th November 2018

(Coffee 10am Meeting start 10.30am sharp)

For more information please visit www.watersidecanals.com.au

Committee positions vacant

At the time of printing there were a number positions where people had indicated they would not be standing again. In fact all positions are declared vacant and can be contested.

Work on the WRA committee is not onerous, being an hour or so every couple of months, but it is rewarding.

Many hands make for light work, and this is the case with the WRA committee.

Please offer you skills to help support our local community.

Waterside Residents Association AGM agenda

10.00 am Coffee
10.30 am sharp Meeting opens

1. Welcome by chairperson
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous AGM
4. Business arising from the minutes
5. Chairperson's report
6. Treasurer's report and presentation of audited financial statement
7. Election of Office Bearers
8. Guest speaker
9. Discussion and motion
10. Motions

The Guest Speaker - Mark Winsor - Armsec.
Mark has been invited to address the meeting to outline some of the security issues in and about Waterside and to explain the basic operations of his company. He will not answer any question relating to costs or the negotiation of the contract with WRA.



(A) It is moved that as the cost of running the security service has increased on previous years, that the annual subscription be increased to \$200.00 pa. (P) Mark Wall (S) Jeff Marsh

(B) If motion lettered (A) passes and membership number are not equal to or exceed 200 paid up members by January 31th 2018 it is moved that an emergency special meeting be called in February with security patrols as the sole subject. (P) Mark Wall (S) Jeff Marsh

(C) It is moved that if motion letter (A) passes and membership number are equal to or exceed 200 paid up members by January 31th 2018, that the association contract for the supply of a security service as outlined to run for a 12 month period from March 1st 2019 to February 28th 2020. (P) Mark Wall (S) Jeff Marsh

11. General business
12. Date of next meeting
13. Close

Pay your subs on time and win

The committee needs to have confirmed numbers of subscribers as soon as possible so the security service contract can be renegotiated.

To encourage prompt payment the WRA committee will run a secret draw with fantastic prizes. All you have to do is pay your annual subscription to the WRA treasurer by 5pm on January 30th 2019 to be eligible.

The first prize is vouchers valued at \$398.00 to be used on any Mandurah Cruise event

including scenic and adventure dolphin cruises. Wild seafood experience, fish tours, and a floating restaurant.

The draw will take place on January 31st 2019, with results announced shortly after.



Win

your annual subs up to

\$200.00

Win

A Mandurah Cruises gift voucher valued at

\$398.00