

## **WATERSIDE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (INC.)**

### **PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT (2018)**

On behalf of the Committee of the Waterside Residents Association your current President Jeff Marsh presents to you our Annual Report for 2018.

I thought I might remind everyone of the objectives of your organisation:

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The current objective for the Association are:

- To provide a high level of security for members by the establishment of regular nightly security patrols 365 days each year.
- To liaise and foster good relations with Government, Local Authorities, Statutory Authorities and other relevant bodies.
- To publish information sheets and newsletters for the benefit of Members, Authorities and other relevant bodies.

These Objectives will be reviewed by your committee in accordance with updated changes to the Association Incorporations Act.

#### **WATERSIDE SECURITY UPDATE**

Your Committee has been forced to identify and appoint three Security Organisations this year due to Perth Security Services (P.S.S.) and Corporate Enforcement and Security (C.E.S.) walking away from their contracts.

However, our latest Security contractor is Armsec W.A. owned by a former employee of M.I.G. (Mandurah Industrial Guards)

Nightly Security Patrols remain a current objective for the establishment and continuation of our Association and the costs for these patrols are funded directly from your annual membership fees.

Your Committee recommends that the annual membership fee increase to \$200 for the next 12 months. This will return us to 4 nightly patrols which we had in 2017 assuming we maintain our membership numbers.

However there are a number of financial options based upon frequency of nightly patrols that will be debated in the AGM and recommendations from the attendees will be adopted on the day.

Currently Waterside membership stands at 221 comprising residents / home owners living away from Waterside.

Your Committee will continue to attempt to engage new residents by providing introduction packages that promote Waterside Residents' Association memberships.

Fortunately we have added to our annual income by including paid advertising in our regular Newsletters.

Thank you to our sponsors ACTON, SEAMAC, THE BOATHOUSE (NOW CALLED MANDURAH OEDEMA CLINIC) and ZAK KIRKUP MLA (Member for Dawesville)

If Waterside Members or friends of Members see merit and benefit in placing an advertisement in our Newsletters, please contact a member of your Committee and we can discuss advertising format, size and cost.

All Waterside residents can assist in the promotion of memberships by talking to those residents or those renting properties of the benefits of membership. We often hear non-members state that they are not interested because neighbours are members and therefore the service Armsec WA provides somehow extends to their properties.

This excuse is unfair to our fee paying members, and your Committee has made it clear to Armsec W.A. that those properties are to be excluded from any form of security support.

Your Committee receives comprehensive reports daily from Armsec WA recording their visits to the area complete with timings and details and pictures showing they have closed garage doors, car doors, checked properties and so on. If you have good news stories about the effectiveness of Armsec WA please share them with your Committee and we may use them in our regular Newsletters.

### **CITY OF MANDURAH- REGULAR CONTACTS**

Members of your Committee, Diane Gilbert, Bill Backshell and myself named the Waterways sub committee, have quarterly meetings with Senior Council Staff at Mandurah Ocean Marina together with Councillor Darren Lee, to discuss matters relating to Waterside and canal developments in general.

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETINGS**

1. Liaise with government authorities and the city of Mandurah where necessary
2. To disseminate relevant information to residents.

### **YOUR COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU**

We are in need of five new Committee members, having lost Liz Lehman, Deborah Wade Marshall, earlier this year and latterly Diane Gilbert, Rosemary Ball, Deb Grey and myself. I took on the additional role as Secretary. Colin Gilbert has also worked with the Committee to maintain our data bases, and maintains our Website and provides computer expertise as required. Deb Gray has been maintaining Face Book for a small number of followers.

Our Auditor is Deb Gray and her 2018 Audit report is available on each table. Unfortunately Deb is no longer available to assist the Committee, and has recently resigned.

Diane Gilbert is our longest serving Committee member having served Waterside residents for more than 15years in various capacities. Her extensive knowledge and experience together with an unstinting commitment will be sorely missed. So on behalf of us all I extend a special thanks to Di.

Rosemary Ball has been our liaison contact with our Security Companies, receiving regular reports and contacting those members mentioned providing additional detail as required. Thank you Rosemary for your diligence in maintaining an important communication with Armsec WA and our Membership.

Robyn Dixon is our Newsletter Editor, her work is very much appreciated thank you Robyn on behalf of us all.

Bill Backshell represents residents as your Committee member on all matters relating to the Waterways. He has significant knowledge of Marine issues and is in regular contact with Mandurah City Council representatives. Thank you for your good work Bill, it is important to maintain a productive liaison.

Mark Wall, a recent Committee member has done an excellent job in the design and production of a number of hard hitting high quality fliers. His work has been recognised by a large number of positive feedback responses.

### **CHRISTMAS AT WATERSIDE**

Once again we look forward to Father Christmas on the Canals on Christmas Morning, and I extend our thanks to Gary Gray for his commitment last year. He does require a helper, so please feel free to volunteer. Lolly bags were distributed on Christmas morning, much to delight of the increased number of children together with a number of adults.

The Christmas Lights competition Cruise sponsored by Mandurah Cruises was very successful and we hope will be repeated this year. Waterside winners enjoyed the annual cruise on the 8<sup>th</sup> April sponsored in full by Mandurah Cruises and Gift Shop. It was a beautiful evening with a full boat.

From the beginning of December until well into the New Year, Waterside members are encouraged to take part in the Christmas Lights Carnival. Your committee will again undertake a review of your designs 22nd December. So look out for the Committee boat on the night.

### **INFORMATION FOR 2019**

Membership Stickers for 2019 are Orange Reflective. Each will describe membership as "Protected By Security Patrols" Thank you Mark Wall for your design. Invoices for membership renewal will be posted in our next Newsletter. We are asking for prompt payment please in order to maintain cash flow. May I remind you of the secret draw offered to those members who pay for their annual subscription before January 30th 2019. You could win a refund of your annual subscriptions up to the value of \$200 or a Mandurah Cruises Gift Voucher.

It is our intention again this year to issue letters and invoices in December and January in order to encourage all households in Waterside, giving owners and rental persons an opportunity to join or to re-join the Waterside Residents Association. Please continue to provide Email addresses, new and updated to a member of your Committee.

In addition we will continue to prepare letters of introduction to new residents promoting the benefits of membership, but perhaps you can assist also.

If you have a neighbour or friend, perhaps a new home owner, please introduce them to your Association, let a Committee member know, and we will provide membership applications, letters of introduction and a past Newsletter. We can only maintain a Security Service and keep our membership fees low, by maintaining a growing membership.

**Your Proposed Committee for 2019:**

**MARK WALL**            **President Elect.**

**VACANT POSITION** **Vice President**

**VACANT POSITION** **Secretary**, minute taking, correspondence, collating mailing Newsletters.

**VACANT POSITION** **Treasurer.**

**ROBYN DIXON**        **Editor -Newsletter Production.**

**VACANT POSITION** **Security**, Receives nightly reports from Armsec WA Security Officers, contacts those members that are subject of a report and liaises with Armsec Management.

**BILL BACKSHELL**    **Water Matters, Mandurah Council Liaison.**

**SPECIAL THANKS ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND WATERSIDE MEMBERS.**

All of this year's achievements are due to your industrious committee who have worked as a great team each with their own responsibilities. The regular Newsletters and their distribution are a credit to the Committee and I would like to think appreciated by the Waterside Membership.

And so to each of the Committee members, current and past, I thank you on behalf of myself and Waterside Residents for your support and commitment making this year another productive and successful year for your Association despite the three changes required in our Security Service in 12 months.

I have served on the Committee for the past 10 years and been President of the Association for the past 8 years. I have enjoyed the support of Waterside members and the Committee members over that time period; I will miss their Fellowship and productive discussion and their hospitality at our regular meetings. I wish you continuing success in the future.

Thank you for your attention.

Now I return to the Agenda.

JEFF MARSH

Current President, Secretary and Chairperson

The Waterside Residents Association is grateful to the ongoing reliable Service provided by Armsec WA. Should Financial Waterside residents have any security concerns please phone Mark Winsor 0430339500 for his immediate assistance.