



FRIENDS OF VICTORIA GARDENS

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Dear Member,

The Friends are in the process of developing a website to provide information on Victoria Gardens and the Friends. Nick Hawker from local graphic design firm duo d uo, who revised and updated the webpage for the Prahran Historical & Arts Society last year, has been engaged to develop a webpage for the Friends. The layout will be in a similar form and include information about the Friends, their activities and support of the Gardens, history, features, plants and significant trees. The website will be used promote the work of the Friends and attract new members.

A sample of the site can be visited by accessing <http://fovg.packofwolv.es/>
This shows the navigation links, and in 'Photos' there's a sample of 4 photos. At the meeting on Tuesday 27th there will be a presentation on the website and an opportunity to make further suggestions.

The Friends have recently been contacted by Megan Jones, Landscape Coordinator at the City of Stonnington about a proposal by Prahran RSL to redevelop the War Memorial to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landing on April 25 2015. There is also a proposal to install the Bruce Steele Kingsbury VC sculpture in the Gardens. Reports have been submitted to Council in support of these projects. Megan Jones has been invited to our meeting on Tuesday 27th to further explain these projects.

The 2013 *Spring into Gardening* will be held on Sunday 13 October from 11am. This annual community event is a major activity for the Friends and again we will be calling on members to assist with the stand, to promote the Gardens and the role of the Friends. If you can assist can you please contact **Vihra Migos, ph: 9529 1959 email: vmigios@gmail.com**

You will have recently received a Membership Renewal Form. We ask that you continue to be a member of the Friends who continue to work with Council in the ongoing care of the Gardens. If you know of anyone who would like to become a member can you please let Jennifer Withecomb know.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Friends is the Annual General Meeting. You are encouraged to attend and are welcome to raise any issues on the Gardens and the Friends activities. Please contact Vihra if you want any items listed on the Agenda

DATE & TIME: Tuesday 27 August 2013 at 7.45pm

LOCATION: The Studio, 64 Bendigo Street, Prahran (opposite the Flying Duck)