

HUNTERFORD ESTATE NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2024

ESTATE MAINTENANCE:

- A) Recently the interior lights in the Clubhouse were upgraded to LED batten and LED oyster light fittings. The Clubhouse switchboard & ancillary equipment are to be replaced with a more up to date compliant model complete with RCD's. All the above work is at cost of parts only as Mario Christodoulou (Licenced Electrician) volunteers his labour and professional expertise. A big thank you to Mario for his ongoing support to the Estate.



- B) The damaged traffic islands within the Estate were recently repaired by North Rocks Concrete. Quotes are now being obtained from professional road line marking companies to renew faded line marking within the estate including STOP signs and lines at the end of laneways and yellow "no parking" lines on rollover kerbs around the estate.

- C) The Informal (lower) Cascades water feature is now operational following electrical switch repairs and refurbishment of the pump. Clearing of ponds and replacement of large river stones (where missing) is now to be undertaken. Please note that both the Formal (Upper) and Informal Cascades water features operate on a timer switch to not cause disturbance at nighttime.



GARDENING:

- A) A scope of works has been prepared for the garden maintenance within the estate and proposals are being invited from specialist contractors to tender for this contract. An improved level of service and related cost control is to be expected from the winning tenderer.
- B) Quotes are being obtained for seeding / returfing of footpath verges within the estate (following replacement of damaged footpath sections) and in Treetops Park adjacent to where the gum tree was removed.
- C) In compliance with PCC approvals for removal of subject trees, 8 new native trees of a more suitable species have been planted within Brookside Park to encourage Australian Native Birdlife to the area

SOCIAL:

- A) Following the huge success of last year's Halloween Celebration please note that this year's event is to be held on Thursday 31st of October 2024 between 6-8pm at the Clubhouse and forecourt – more details will be distributed prior to the event.
- B) Hunterford Ladies Coffee Meet is held every second Thursday of the month at 10:30am in the Community Clubhouse. Open to all Ladies of the Estate

INSURANCE FOR HUNTERFORD ESTATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION:

As insurance for Hunterford Estate Community Association is a complex issue we rely on the professional advice and guidance of PSM Insurance and BAC Insurance Brokers, who are required to act in our best interests to provide us with cost effective insurance solutions that comply with legislation and are most appropriate for Hunterford. Following the recent ABC investigation report into strata insurance, the AC sought and received confirmation from our Brokers that the Hunterford Estate Community Association was appropriately covered, and that the policy was competitively priced.

FOGO WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE BY PARRAMATTA CITY COUNCIL (PCC)

For houses, townhouses, and units with 7 dwellings or less: -

There have been queries from residents about the new **Food Organics & Garden Organic (FOGO)** waste collection service which is scheduled to be introduced by PCC during November 2024

Below are the latest details available from PCC: -

What is to happen is that there are 3 new bins (which replace the 3 current 140-litre red, 240-litre green and 240-litre yellow bins which are to be picked up & returned to council) so additional storage space for bins should not be an ongoing issue.

After you have received your new bins, leave your old green organics bin and yellow recycling bin out after your scheduled bin collection until it they have been taken away - Bin collection will take place across a few days following your scheduled bin service day.

Keep using your old red garbage bin until it has been collected & taken away **from** 11th November 2024.

The Green lid bin will remain on a fortnightly schedule for garden organics until 11th November when FOGO commences.

The new 80 litre red garbage bin can be upgraded to a larger bin "if really required" but at additional cost. The 80-litre red garbage bin and the 240-litre green Food Organics & Garden Organics bins will be collected weekly and the 240-litre yellow recycling bin will be collected fortnightly.

Each household will also receive a 7-litre kitchen caddy (and compostable liners to be used in the caddy) to store food organic waste prior to the organic food waste (wrapped in the liner bags) being transferred into the 240-litre green FOGO bin: - therefore food scraps are not loose in the green bin - only organic garden waste is loose in the bin as per the current process.

The new **FOGO** waste collection service starts from 11th November, so expect to receive further communication from PCC in the weeks prior or view their website at:

www.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/fogo

Note: For the arrangements for dwellings between 8 and 30 units (e.g. townhouses, villas, or apartments) please refer to the above website.

NOTE FROM YOUR ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE: -

We would like to recognise our Webmaster, Samantha Edwards and Desktop Publishing Wizard, Susan Donaldson, for their great support during 2024. The AC members, as a team of dedicated volunteers, would also like to thank all those Community Owners who have provided much positive feedback in appreciation of all the work that has been undertaken and achieved on behalf of the Hunterford Estate Community during 2024.

KEEP UPDATED AT OUR COMMUNITY WEBSITE:

WWW.HUNTERFORDESTATE.COM.AU

LATEST INFORMATION IS ALSO DISPLAYED ON OUR 2 COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARDS AT THE CLUBHOUSE

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