WHAT’S HAPPENING AT KINGSTON FORESHORE

Welcome to Shoreline, the newsletter keeping you up to date with all things Kingston Foreshore.

HARBOUR OPENING

It was a cold and rainy Canberra morning on Wednesday 12 June 2013, but that couldn’t diminish the buzz of excitement as Deputy Chief Minister Andrew Barr officially opened the Kingston Foreshore Harbour and announced the completion of the lake side park between the Waterfront and Aurora developments.

The opening of the Kingston Foreshore Harbour was a milestone event for the precinct, the Land Development Agency, its stakeholders and most importantly, the community. The event saw commercial boats sail into Kingston Harbour for the very first time bringing to life this exciting new marina.

The harbour is a central component of the Master Plan for Kingston Foreshore based on the winning design of nationally recognised Canberra architect Mr Colin Stewart. Colin’s design creates a large degree of public space so this area will always remain a place where Canberrans and visitors alike can enjoy the activities of a harbour, promenades, public spaces, and public art.

COMMEMORATE OUR PAST, NAME OUR FUTURE

The Land Development Agency recently invited the community to help commemorate a great Canberran by submitting a nomination to name Kingston Foreshore’s second major park. Submissions closed on Friday 26 July 2013 with some high quality nominations received.

And the winner is...Jack Ross Park.

John William (Jack) Ross was a long term resident of Kingston with an extensive list of community service achievements. After moving to Canberra in 1937, Jack became the founding Pipe Major of the Canberra Pipe Band.

The Land Development Agency was overwhelmed by the quality of nominations received for the competition and thanks all entrants for their involvement.
Kingston Foreshore’s second community event was held on Saturday 11 May 2013 featuring live music and delicious food and drink in serene Norgrove Park.

The event was blessed with great autumn weather and an estimated 2,500 people attended the event enjoying the international music, fine food and wine, chai latte lounge and market stalls all within the beautifully illuminated Norgrove Park.

It was a wonderful evening and we can’t wait to do it all again in 2014.

PROMENADE COMES TO LIFE

The first restaurants on the Kingston Foreshore Promenade have now opened. This marks the beginning of what is set to become one of Canberra’s premier dining and entertaining hubs with even more restaurants to open over the next six months.

Some exciting names include C-Dine & Bar, Max Brenner, Morks Restaurant, Thirty Eight, Yoli Yogurt and Chong & Co Thai Restaurant.

THE TRUST GOES LIVE!

The Capital Woodland and Wetlands Conservation Trust (The Trust) has been established to ensure the Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary and Jerrabomberra Wetlands Nature Reserve are sustainably managed to provide rich and diverse environments for current and future generations. The Jerrabomberra Wetlands Nature Reserve is a critical part of the Kingston Foreshore environment, located just across the harbour.

The Trust’s new website www.cwwct.org.au showcases two of Canberra’s living environments while enabling the community, corporate sectors, local entrepreneurs, developers, and interested local residents an opportunity to support or become involved with these two reserves.

Support these nationally significant wetlands and woodlands and make sure they continue to provide habitat for a diverse range of birds and other animals and remain accessible to the wider community for generations to come.

For more details go to www.cwwct.org.au or call Jill Faulkner on 0428 224 904 or jill.faulkner@act.gov.au
SITE 2 - THE ISLAND UPDATE

The last block available on the island at Kingston Foreshore has been sold to local developer, Doma Group. The block sold for more than $11 million and is almost 7,000 square metres. Doma Group is set to build over 100 prestige dwellings and commercial and retail space on their fifth site at Kingston Foreshore.

NEW SIGNS IN THE PRECINCT

Over the next few months, you might notice the Land Development Agency installing some new direction signage around the area to assist visitors finding their way around the precinct. Signs will be located at key locations such as the Old Bus Depot Markets and the Canberra Glassworks.

REMEDIATION OF KINGSTON TRANSPORT DEPOT

The Kingston Transport Depot, currently housing the Old Bus Depot Markets, will undergo remediation work commencing January 2014. The work includes replacing the roof of the upper hall and the removal of the northern annex and will contribute to providing Kingston Foreshore with a vibrant, high quality, diverse cutting-edge artisan and production precinct. Remediation works are anticipated to be completed by the end of August 2014. There will be construction machinery and plant working on site during this time, however all measures will be taken to keep any additional noise and traffic to a minimum.

EASTLAKE PARADE

Eastlake Parade will be closed between Giles and Eyre Streets until further notice to allow for the Quayside and Element developments.

EYE STREET BRIDGE

The Eyre Street Bridge is now open! The Bridge is clearly defined by steel framed glazed light towers designed by Guida Moseley Brown Architects/Mott MacDonald and constructed by BMD Constructions.

THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE COMING TO CANBERRA

Thomas the Tank Engine will visit the Canberra Railway Museum in Kingston on the 19th and 20th of October. His first time in Canberra, Thomas will be the main attraction of the railway-themed two day event, run as a part of the Centenary of Canberra’s SPIN program. Tickets are now on sale through www.canberrarailwaymuseum.org or (02) 6232 6405. The admission price includes museum entry, miniature train ride and heritage train ride.