

MELBOURNE SOUTH YARRA RESIDENTS GROUP INC.

Established by the residents of South Yarra in 1969

CHRISTMAS BULLETIN

A message from the President.

Dear Members

It is now 2 months since I was honoured by being appointed President for the forthcoming year. Your Association has been through a busy couple of years and a lot of time has been invested in such activities as the Heritage Review of Melbourne South Yarra and other planning related issues including the Poolman House redevelopment proposal and, more recently, the St Arnaud development in Park St. I believe our involvement in such issues has produced a more satisfactory outcome for our area.

Who knows what challenges will arise in 2024? Whatever they may be, Your Association will be working for the best possible outcome for our area. One of our most important functions is keeping you informed as to what is going on in the area. We will also continue to work closely with the City of Melbourne and other resident associations in the City of Melbourne area in the expectation of mutual benefit.

We are also looking to try some new initiatives in 2024 of which more later. In all these matters we appreciate any feedback our Members can provide as to the sort of matters we, as a residents association, should be pursuing. If you wish to provide feedback, you can email me at: secretary@msyrg.com.au

Finally, a very Happy Christmas to all and I look forward to communicating with you further in the New Year.

James Syme

President MSYRG

December Update from Kimberley Pierzchalaski

Our Neighbourhood Partner at the City of Melbourne.

Hello Melbourne South Yarra residents group

I hope you have been enjoying some of the festive cheer that is spreading through December in our city and neighbourhoods and looking forward to a lovely break with family and friends.

Update:

Projects and updates

- Check our December update on our <u>community noticeboard</u> to find out all that is happening this month. To note updates are published each month of the Neighbourhood Portals and if you follow the noticeboard for South Yarra you will receive this as soon as it is published
- The <u>City Economy Summit</u> second session on the 14 Dec is now open for registrations
- · Expanding Miles and Dodds Street reserve
- · Neighbourhood Parking reviews Carlton
- Naming City of Melbourne's Places and roads View and contribute to the naming
- <u>Celebrating Timeless Melbourne</u> Share your stories about places in South Yarra and contribute to our heritage.

Events and Activities

Local activities

- South Yarra Coffee Club meeting 13 December at the Domain Brasserie (courtyard at rear). We invite all locals to come along at 2pm
- Hold the date...Are you having a staycation over Xmas and new year and looking for something to do? Join your neighbours for a small staycation picnic opposite the Domain Village restaurants on the Green strip on the Wednesday 27 December from 11am. More information and a flier coming soon.
- <u>Shinrin-yoku</u>, or forest therapy is a preventative health practice that immerses your senses in nature. Join this activity over summer at the Royal Botanical Gardens on a Sunday. Small cost involved. There are also many other activities this summer at the gardens.

In the City

- Check out many free events as part of our Christmas festivities in the city
- Enjoy the 'river of mists' with this Yarra Discovery walk
- There are plenty of walking tours around our city to enjoy over summer
- Explore our accessible rooftop bars
- See the attached flier to find out about all that is happening at some of our recreation centres over summer

Other

- Report an issue City of Melbourne
- Learn about places of Aboriginal historical and cultural significance within the City of Melbourne using this <u>interactive digital map</u>,

• <u>Community connected grants</u> are open year round to support local people to develop activities that support community connection, social inclusion, access and participation. If you have an idea or want to discuss further please reach out to me as your neighbourhood partner

Thank you for welcoming me this year as your new neighbourhood partner. I have enjoyed getting to know many of our community in South Yarra and looking forward to supporting you in 2024. If you want to reach out share your insights, connect with others or have an idea you need support with my contacts are below and I am also available every Wednesday, so schedule in a time for us to chat.

I wish you all a wonderful festive season with family and friends, lazy days by the beach, joyful times in our parks and gardens and a lovely summer with friends.

Be safe, be kind and be well

Kindest regards

Kimberley Pierzchalski | Neighbourhood Partner

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City of Melbourne

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Other issues?

Please don't hesitate to contact MSYRG if there are issues you feel we should be made aware of: secretary@msyrg.com.au

We are a volunteer driven, not for profit organization and dedicated to protecting South Yarra (in the CoM) heritage and our neighbourhood community If you have any concerns please email: secretary@msyrg.com.au

MAKE OUR SOUTH YARRA VOICE HEARD

New members are always welcome: join at www.msyrg.com,au

Instagram - #msyresidentsgroup