

# KRA Newsletter

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42 Regent St,  
Kensington SA 5068

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## JOIN US

Join your neighbours.  
Become a member of KRA.

The fee is \$10 per person or household each year. Join for one, two or five years.

To join, we need your details:

Name, Address, Email, Phone and Number of people joining.

Email, post or phone your details to:  
KRA secretary, Andrew Dyson:

42 Regent St,  
Kensington SA 5068

☎ 8331 9654

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With Spring weather and a relatively restriction-free environment, it's great to see so many Kensington residents out and about, enjoying our wonderful amenities.

On Friday 3rd September the Council inducted the first group of our regular Borthwick Park volunteers as volunteers under the Council banner.

At the same time, we welcomed Wayne Bambrick, who has joined the NPSP Council as the Works Coordinator for Parks and Gardens. Wayne comes highly recommended and is a most important link in our working with Council in Borthwick and Pioneer Parks. A warm welcome to Wayne and a big thank you to Belinda at NPSP Council for steering us through the volunteer inductions and processes.

Do you volunteer now and then in Borthwick or Pioneer Park or would like to get involved?

Please contact Belinda at Council to become registered as a Council volunteer. Registration only has to be done once and carries a number of valuable benefits that help our green projects.

Call Belinda Tarca ☎ 08 8366 4631.

As a committee we're always looking for ways to improve the wellbeing of our residents. Right now, we are considering the establishment of a register of folk who may be qualified in trades such as plumbing, carpentry or electrical and who may be interested in working for residents who need help with home or garden maintenance.

It's about locals working for locals with the assurance that the customer knows that the person working in their home is known to the community.

The scheme will take a bit of organising. Are you interested in volunteering to help manage the register? If so, please contact Secretary Andrew or me by emailing [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au)

Peter Duffy  
KRA President



## PIZZA IN THE PARK

Back by popular demand!

Our second annual Wood-fired Pizza in the Park event is now on **Sunday 24th October, 2021 from 4 pm.**

The KRA committee will prepare and serve pizzas straight from the mobile wood-fired oven kindly lent by PGH Bricks and Pavers. There will be games such as boules, Frisbee and other ball games for all to enjoy.

This Community Event for families, friends and neighbours of Kensington is **free for KRA members.**

Non-members can join on the day - annual membership is \$10/household.

**BYO drinks** (some supplied).

**RSVP for catering purposes.**

E: [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au) or ☎ 8331 9654, or drop a note in our Secretary's letterbox at **42 Regent St.**

See you in beautiful Borthwick Park for another fun community evening.

### BORTHWICK PARK

We had a couple of wonderful planting days in June and July, planting a diverse selection of natives in the park including our first batch of hakeas.

With our new storage shed in place our monthly activities in the park are a breeze! Join us on the second Sunday morning of each month as we give the park some love; mulching, weeding, pruning, watering and more. We start around 9.00am and finish with a yummy morning tea around 11.00am.

Dates for the rest of the year:  
October 10th, November 14th and  
December 12th.



### Watering Roster

Would you like to be on our roster to water the park once or twice over summer? Email us at:

**E: [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au)** and let us know when you might be available.



### Weeds

We love Borthwick Park but so do the weeds! If you like getting your hands dirty with some quiet weeding we'd love to hear from you. We can even allocate you your own special patch to weed! Right now, we're targeting kikuyu!

**E: [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au) or call John ☎ 0422 909 710.** Training provided.



### Run your own project in Borthwick Park!

Borthwick Park is a true community place. With the main establishment of our native revegetation behind us, we are ready to support new projects. What activities would you like to see? Bird counts? Children's activities? An Aboriginal food garden? Native bee hotels? Plant propagation? What about establishing some homes for lizards? **Email us at [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au) or call John ☎ 0422 909 710.**

### Dog owners

A reminder that off-leash times in the park are before 10am each morning and after 5pm each evening. NPSP inspectors visit the park regularly.

### THE FAIRIES ARE COMING TO KENSINGTON!



As if by magic, over the next few months, expect to see a fairy castle created near the old bridge as Jerry and Sarah O'Connell, of Bridge Street, bring the Fairies to Kensington with their Rock of the Fairy project.

Jerry and Sarah, winners of the KRA inaugural award, will landscape, plant and create lots of homes for fairies, using their \$750 grant to transform the area adjacent to their home for the delight of young people and families.

Care for Kensington grants are one way we continue to build and sustain the strength of our community. All Kensington residents who are members of our Association are eligible for Care for Kensington Grants which, it is hoped, will be offered again in 2022.

**For more information email us at [E: contact@kra.org.au](mailto:E:contact@kra.org.au)**



### HEANES BOOT SHOP



53 Bridge Street

One of Kensington's State Heritage Items, this early shop and dwelling was built in 1847 for Samuel Heanes, a boot maker from Okehampton in Devonshire. Stones from the creek were used in the construction of the cobble and pug workshop which was at the rear of the building. By 1853, Heanes had built a cottage of four rooms and enlarged the shop. The shop front was rebuilt in 1878. Samuel Heanes served as a councillor representing Kensington for 12 years and was a member of the Volunteer Rifle Movement. The boot shop traded for over 133 years until his grandson Alfred Heanes retired in 1981.

*From the Kensington Village Historical Walk brochure, compiled by Denise Schumann 2007*

### SPRING OPEN MIC



The Winter Solstice music night at the Rising Sun Inn was a great success. So, join us for another night of community music and song next **Tuesday 21st September, 7.30pm at the Kensington Hotel.**

There will be an "Open Mic" for any who want to share in live performance. Please join us at the Kensington to welcome Spring with a song and a glass or two.

### COUNCIL NEWS

Grants of up to \$100 are now available to young people, living in low-income households, who want to participate in sport. For more info, search for the "Sports Buddy Program" on Council's website at: [npsp.sa.gov.au](http://npsp.sa.gov.au)



## HERITAGE AT RISK

### Q: What is a State Heritage Item?

A: A place listed on the State Heritage Register. Kensington has nine State Heritage items (blue on the map), for example: Rising Sun Inn, Heanes boot shop, Benson Fountain. Listing offers protection against inappropriate alteration or demolition.

### Q: What is a Local Heritage Item?

A: Local Heritage Items are places meeting one or more of eight criteria. The criteria of most importance for Kensington are: important historical, economic or social themes; aesthetic merit, design characteristics or construction techniques. Kensington has about 80 Local Heritage Items (pink on the map), for example: Richmond St cottages, Kensington Hotel. These items are protected from demolition unless structurally unsound. Alterations and additions are permitted if they do not diminish heritage features visible from the street. Under the Planning & Design Code the previous demolition controls have been weakened.

### Q: What are Representative Buildings?

A: Representative Buildings display characteristics of importance. Kensington has about 210 Representative Buildings (green). Formerly known as Contributory Items, examples are 31, 33, 35, 37, 41, and 43 High Street. Their preservation is critical to the integrity of Kensington's heritage status. Unfortunately, demolition controls have been weakened under the Planning & Design Code.

### What's happening now?

The new Planning and Design Code, the State Government's new planning system, removes many public rights. It clears the way for a development 'free for all' at the expense of our environment, heritage and community rights.

Under these changes the Minister for the Environment can simply delist items when development and demolition is proposed. We are already seeing a number of State Heritage Items currently under threat from various development proposals across the State such as the Urrbrae Gatehouse.

### Why should we care?

Our historic suburb has many heritage buildings and places. We risk losing the historic character we love with the way clear for developers to demolish heritage listed buildings, destroying our urban amenity and replacing local character with poor quality infill development. We then lose trees and gardens as land becomes paved with increased stormwater run-off.

Some other impacts of the Planning and Design Code include:

- An increase in non-residential land use in residential areas;
- Fewer trees on private land;
- Smaller blocks and more subdivisions;
- Increased parking problems, and
- Less public access to information about development activities and fewer opportunities to object or comment.

### What can we do?

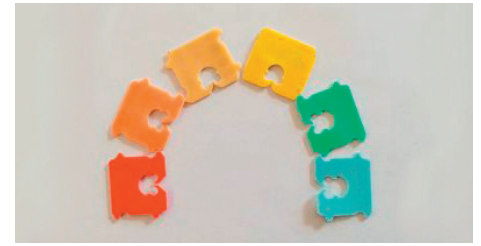
Our Association, together with the Community Alliance, Protect Our Heritage Alliance and the National Trust continue to campaign for better heritage protection.

If you share the Association's concerns regarding the watering down of heritage protection, contact our Local Member, Vickie Chapman, Deputy Premier and Member for Bragg and/or Premier Steven Marshall, Member for Dunstan

E: [bragg@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:bragg@parliament.sa.gov.au) and/or  
E: [dunstan@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:dunstan@parliament.sa.gov.au)



## BREAD TAGS REMINDER

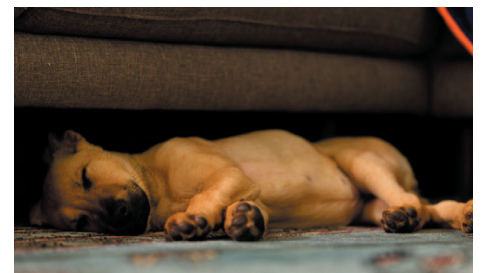


Don't forget to keep saving your bread tags for Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs. This action diverts the tags from the waste stream into production of bowls and other products which are sold to fund the purchase of wheelchairs for the disabled or elderly. Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs are still primarily funding wheelchairs in South Africa but by mid-2021 they had gathered sufficient funds through recycling and donations to be able to help out in other countries through collaboration with Wheelchairs for Kids in WA.

The upcycling of your collected tags happens right here in our state at Transmutation in Robe; you can see a process video at: [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au/our-recycler/](http://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au/our-recycler/)

Until December 2021 KRA will feed collected tags on to the Adelaide University Rotaract Club collection. There are numerous other collection points in our local area. For future reference: [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au](http://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au) Thanks for all tag contributions to date and please keep them coming to our KRA Secretary at 42 Regent St, Kensington.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Saint Ignatius Catholic Parish invites people to bring their animals to Borthwick Park, Thornton Street, for a blessing in the tradition of Saint Francis of Assisi. The birds and animals that live in Borthwick Park will also be blessed.

**Sunday, 26th September 2021**  
**11:30am - 1:30pm**

BYO chairs, blankets, and picnic if you wish. Hot and cold drinks will be available.

☎ 0407 600 124 for more information

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## KENSINGTON STREET LIBRARY

Are you bursting to get outside now the weather's warming? Dust off the deck chair, grab a drink and kick back ... right after you visit the KRA Community Street Library for a new read! Or are you too busy spring cleaning and de-cluttering? Donate all your unwanted books to our Street Library!


You will find our little library growing in the garden at Surreal Eats, 324 The Parade. The library contents will be different every time you visit. Reach in and take a book that interests you. When you've turned the last page pass it on to a friend or keep it to re-read, return it to our Street Library or pop it into another street library ([streetlibrary.org.au/find/](http://streetlibrary.org.au/find/)).

There are no rules, we only ask that you treat our little library and its contents with respect... and tell others where you found your latest page-turner!

If you wish to donate books and you find the Street Library full, please leave books out of the weather on the verandah at: **43 High St Kensington.** The KRA committee will top up the library with your books when space frees up.

## GET FIT KENSINGTON

Stay energised this Spring right here at home! Try these offerings:

**General Fitness: Energy PT**   
Salter Street (and Kensington Oval) –  
Email Annie for more info on:  
E: [anniemccallum@adam.com.au](mailto:anniemccallum@adam.com.au)

**Kensington School of Yoga:**   
38 Regent Street  
[www.kensingtonschoolofyoga.com](http://www.kensingtonschoolofyoga.com)  
or ☎ 8331 0255

## BUY NOTHING PROJECT

Want some free stuff or to give away your stuff? There is a local Facebook group that you can join to de-clutter or re-clutter your home:  
[www.buynothingproject.org](http://www.buynothingproject.org)

## KRA LONG LUNCH – PLANNERS WANTED

Are you good at organising socials? The KRA is looking for volunteers to help coordinate our next long lunch at Borthwick Park in the Spring of 2022. Email our secretary to express your interest at E: [contact@kra.org.au](mailto:contact@kra.org.au)

## LOCAL & LIVE GIG GUIDE

**High Street Café** - Acoustic soloists every Saturday morning from 11am.  
(4 High Street, Free entry)

**Kensington Hotel** - Sunday sessions with live music in the Corner Bar from 3pm to 6pm every Sunday. (23 Regent St, Free entry)

**Rising Sun Inn** - Sunday Sessions featuring live acoustic music on the last Sunday of each month from 4pm. Lunch bookings ☎ 8333 0721  
(60 Bridge St, Free entry)

**Regal Theatre - upcoming events include:**  
The Foenander Brothers with the Adelaide Big Band, Carlotta, Marina Prior and Rhonda Burchmore.  
Bookings: [theregaltheatre.com.au/special-events/](http://theregaltheatre.com.au/special-events/)

## COMING EVENTS - 2021

**Spring community singing**  
Tuesday 21st September, 7.30pm Kensington Hotel

**Blessing of the Animals** - St Ignatius Parish event  
Sunday, 26th September 2021  
11:30am - 1:30pm, Borthwick Park

**Borthwick Park Working Bees** Sundays -  
October 10th, November 14th and December 12th

**Pizza in the Park**  
NOTE: NEW DATE! Sunday 24th October

**KRA Annual General Meeting**  
Tuesday, 23rd November 2021

**Christmas Carolling**  
Monday, 20th December 2021

## KRA MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL

Name[s]:	Date	
Address:		
Phone:	Email:	
2021 KRA Membership: New or Renewal	1 year membership fee (\$ 10)	\$
	2 year membership fee (\$ 20)	\$
	5 year membership fee (\$ 50)	\$

Payment may be made by cheque, cash or direct deposit.

Note: If paying by direct deposit you must provide us with full details as above so that we can process your membership.

Bank details: **BSB 805 050. Account No: 2350031.** Account Name: **Kensington Residents**

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Please tear off the completed slip for our secretary: **Andrew Dyson, 42 Regent Street, Kensington SA 5068.**  
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