### SANCTUARY LAKES RESORT NEWS

October 6, 2020

# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

Annual General Meetings are all now complete (two to be rescheduled) and we would like to thank everyone who took the time to come along and get involved. An honourable mention to the over 70, yes 70 participants of the Super OC AGM which went for 4.5 hours! A great turn out from all OC's and we hope that in future years more and more lot owners get involved and become an active part of their Owners Corporation - team work makes the dream work!

Meeting minutes have already been sent out for some Owners Corporations and others will follow shortly, as per the Owners Corporation Act meeting minutes must be sent within 14 days of the meeting being held.

As there was only one Owners Corporation that achieved a quorum (50% or more of lots represented) all decisions of the Owners Corporation are interim resolutions.

What is an interim resolution? In accordance with the Owners Corporations Act 2006, notice of all interim resolutions and the minutes of the meeting at which the interim resolutions are made must be forwarded to all lot owners within 14 days of the meeting. Interim resolutions become decisions of the Owners Corporation 29 days from the date of the interim resolution, unless notice of a special general meeting is given within that 29-day period.

Once the 29 day interim period has elapsed, our website will be updated with the current Chairperson and Authorised Representatives email addresses for each Owners Corporation.

The email distribution groups for each OC Committee will also be updated and newly appointed committee members will be added, previous committee members removed. We will email each OC Committee as this happens to ensure everyone is receiving the emails as they should. Like always if you have any queries at any time please feel free to email ocmanager@sanctuarylakes.com.au.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS





### THANK YOU BRETT HERNADI

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Brett Hernadi for his time served on the SLRS Board.

Brett became a Director in 2017 after living in Sanctuary Lakes since 2014. Brett has made the difficult decision to retire from the Board due to increased work demand. Brett's good governance and strategic thinking has been of great assistance to the Board and Management.



#### 2021 SANCTUARY LAKES CALENDAR

We are now preparing the 2021 Calendar and once again we invite Sanctuary Lakes' creative camera people to join us and send in their photos.

This year our theme will be "Living in Sanctuary Lakes".

We hope that we can document some of the wonderful things going on in this most difficult of years.

We would love to see our neighbours exercising, walking, jogging, cycling, boating, even just kicking a ball. Our children playing on the beach or in the parks.

Capture our very special birdlife on the lake, in the wetland, by the creek and in our gardens. And of course, the magnificent flowers and plants that beautify our Boulevards, Parks and your Gardens.

We want to be certain that your photographs will reproduce perfectly so can you make sure they have a minimum 300 D.P.I.

Please send your pictures to ocmanager@sanctuarylakes.com.au no later than October 17th 2020.



#### IMPORTANT NOTICE - NBN - 3 WEEKS TO GO!

Have you upgraded to NBN yet? If so, you should have upgraded your alarm system too.

Old alarm communication systems are NOT compatible with NBN and in most cases will stop reporting back to security which includes smoke alarm monitoring. If you would like to upgrade your alarm system, or to find out more information please visit our website. Due to COVID-19 the new disconnection date of the copper network is October 23rd 2020.

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#### SANCTUARY LAKES PARKS AND BBQ AREAS

With beautiful spring days upon us and restrictions gradually easing, many of us are taking advantage of the beautiful parks, playgrounds, barbeques, and outdoor gymnasia that we have here in Sanctuary Lakes.

Did you know that there are 5 playground areas within Sanctuary Lakes? These are located at:

- St Andrews Park in Gallery Place
- Adventure Playground, on the corner of The Breezewater and Freshwater Point
- Rob Partington Reserve on Sanctuary Lakes Boulevard South (opposite Watersun Court)
- Regatta Cove Reserve on North Shore Drive
- Oyster Bay Park

There are rubbish bins located at the playground areas, as well as elsewhere throughout the Resort so that rubbish can be disposed of appropriately. All rubbish bins around the Resort are emptied by our Resort Maintenance team every Monday and Friday, except on public holidays in which case they are emptied the following business day. We ask that residents do not use the rubbish bins for household waste and should you notice that a rubbish bin is full, we ask that you please take your rubbish home with you to avoid the bins overflowing and making a mess.

There are also multiple doggy bag dispensers and bins located around the Resort to make picking up after your furry friend easy. Please only take one or two bags as required. The doggy bag dispensers are also replaced by our Resort Maintenance team. Please remember all animal waste should be properly disposed of at the home of the pet owner or within specified dog litter bins.

Here at Sanctuary Lakes we also have 3 communal barbeque areas for residents to make use of which are located at:

- Adventure Playground, on the corner of The Breezewater and Freshwater Point
- Rob Partington Reserve on Sanctuary Lakes Boulevard South (opposite Watersun Court)
- Regatta Cove Reserve on North Shore Drive

The barbeque areas are cleaned by our Resort Maintenance team every Monday and Friday as part of the rubbish bin round.

Our Resort Maintenance team work hard to maintain the many parks and garden beds around Sanctuary Lakes, but it is also up to us to clean up after ourselves along with our pets and to dispose of our rubbish appropriately so that everyone can enjoy a clean and healthy environment.

Please note that all playground equipment is owned and maintained by Wyndham City Council, however if you do notice damage to any equipment, please email our office so we can arrange for the area to be made safe and we can also notify Wyndham.

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#### EPA NOISE GUIDELINES

Recently, we have received a number of questions regarding rules around excessive noise throughout Sanctuary Lakes Resort. Noise guidelines are set by the Environmental Protection Authority's Residential Noise Regulations (2018) in line with the Environmental Protection Act 1970.

'Residential noise' is noise coming from a residential property and its surroundings. It can include noise from:

- stereos or radios;
- televisions;
- air conditioners;
- lawn mowers;
- power tools used during home renovations;

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• construction of houses and apartments.

Everyday household activities can cause residential noise and disturb neighbours. Noise can be unreasonable if a neighbour can hear it in a habitable room of their home.

Noise is unreasonable when it occurs during prohibited hours and someone in any other residence can hear it. Excessive noise is prohibited between Monday to Friday before 7am and after 8pm, and on weekends and public holidays before 9am and after 8pm. However, residential noise can still be considered unreasonable if it is constant and within the permitted timeframes.

When a noise complaint is made and investigated, a number of factors are taken into consideration when deciding whether the noise is unreasonable.

These are things like:

- it's volume how far the noise spreads;
- it's intensity how loud or how many decibels it is;
- the type of noise and what it sounds like;
- how close it is to neighbours;
- how long it continues;
- how often it occurs.

You can read more about the regulations and what is defined as excessive noise on the EPA Victoria website at https://www.epa.vic.gov.au/for-community/environmental-information/noise/residential-noise/residential-noise-law.

If you have concerns about excessive noise, you can also contact the Wyndham City Council Environmental Health Unit on (03) 9742 0777.







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#### BEES - BY MARION FLOMM

A little guide to a bee-friendly garden

If you're planning to plant a few new flowers or herbs or vegetables in your garden, why not think about making it also a lot more attractive for all the hard-working native bees and honey bees out there?

Not so different to us, bees love variety. So give them a few different options as to where to do their daily work, like different shapes and colours, but make sure to pick plants that are also suitable for our climate and the soil you'll want to grow them in. And if you want to attract the busy bees all year round, try to select varieties that will flower at any given time across the seasons. Also, for maximum bee attraction, try planting them in groups or clumps.

And since bees prefer sunny places over shady ones, and being sheltered from strong winds (again, not so much different from us), try to find these sweet spots in your garden for your bee-attracting plants.

Here are just a few examples of plants that are suitable for growing around Sanctuary Lakes:

- Flowers

- Herbs

- Glory of the Snow, Snowdrop
- Crocus, Bluebells, Daffodils, Hyacinth, Iris
  Daisies, Sunflowers
- Lavender and Rosemary (both are absolute bee favourites)

- Oregano, Marjoram, Sage (another favourite)

- Lemon Balm
- Flowering Shrubs

- Flowering Trees
- Hibiscus, Showy Banksia, Hairpin Banksia, Grevillea, Bottlebrush

- Lemon Tree, Plum Tree, Persimmon, Apple Tree, Avocado Tree (not that easy to grow, but if you succeed, it's another bee favourite)

- Dryland Tea Tree, Bee Bee Tree (the name says it all)



And of course a variety of different Gum Trees. But if our bees feel like a bit of Eucalyptus, they'll find plenty of that all around Sanctuary Lakes, so why not try to woo them with something different?

Working hard all day in your garden will make the bees thirsty. And here is where they are a little less like us: They prefer their water to be a little slimy and murky, rather than sparkling fresh from the tap. So rather than emptying and re-filling their water source, just top it up, maybe with water from a watering can that has been filled a few days ago. Bees need a safe place to stand when they drink, so avoid steep containers or fast flowing water. Probably the best watering stations for bees are shallow dishes filled with marbles or stones. Or even just a bucket of water with some sticks or anything that floats. Bird baths that are not too steep are also a good idea (and the birds will be happy as well).

And of course, try to avoid any pesticides, as much as you can. The bees (and bugs) will thank you for it.





#### SLOW DOWN: BACK TO SCHOOL FOR SOME

Some children will be returning to school this week (even with remote learning still in place).

School days bring congestion, school buses are picking up their passengers, kids on bikes are trying to get to school before the bell rings, hurried parents are trying to drop their kids off before work.

It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school.



#### Safety tips for drivers:

With hundreds of children returning to school this week, it's critical for drivers to ensure they exercise extreme caution when travelling through school zones.

The following safety tips can easily help:

- Be aware of the placement of schools in your local area so you know when school zones are approaching;
- Remember that children can be unpredictable and misjudge traffic;
- Always stay alert and aware of their movements;
- Remain focused on both the road ahead and pedestrians in your peripheries while travelling through a school zone;
- Constantly check your speed and make sure you stick to the speed limit. A pedestrian hit by a car at 40km/h has 75% chance of surviving. At 60km/h, the survival rate drops to just 15%.

#### Safety tips for parents and children:

To ensure your child's journey to school is a safe one, keep in mind the following tips:

- Keep your kids close. Children up to 8 years of age should hold an adult's hand on sidewalks, in carparks, and when close to a road;
- Children up to 10 should hold an adult's hand when crossing the road and should be supervised around traffic;
- Teach your children to minimise distractions, such as listening to music in headphones or playing on devices when close to a road;
- Have open and honest conversations about the risks involved in a road traffic environment.





With the upcoming council elections we thought it would be a good idea for residents to learn a little more about the Sanctuary Lakes candidates, we asked them to provide us a few words about themselves and their campaign please see below:

### SANCTUARY LAKES COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

My family and I moved from the UK to Sanctuary Lakes just over 9 years ago.

When we arrived we knew no one in the area. This prompted me to get involved as I realised there were many like us who did not know their neighbours. I have worked hard with community groups and on key projects that improve our area. I am a UK-qualified solicitor, sole trader, co-founder of a community not-for-profit, and Sanctuary Lakes Resort Services board member. Chances are we have already met somewhere!

My family are proud to call Wyndham home, and I love being actively involved in our community. A selection of projects and groups I'm involved with include; Christmas at the Lakes and the Point Cook Pop Up Park, Neighbourhood Watch Wyndham (Secretary), Neighbourhood Watch Point Cook Central (Chair), Point Cook Action Group, Point Cook Anti-Graffiti Group, Point Cook Open Spaces, community social campaigns such as Ladies that Lunch, Welcome to Point Cook and Wyndham Dining.



If not for COVID, I would have been out and about meeting you all and discussing with you what is important to you. We could have been having a chat over coffee at the Waterstone cafe. Instead though we have to rely on other methods of communication.

The needs of our community have never been greater with its impact on our finances, mental and physical health. Besides a practical COVID recovery plan, I stand for a common-sense, back-to-basics approach for; a safer community, neighbourhood pride, pet friendly places and spaces, involving the community, facilities to meet demand, road safety, active living and transport improvements, local jobs, and work options.

To find out more about my vision in more detail please visit my website at <a href="mailto:susanmcintyre.com.au">susanmcintyre.com.au</a> or my Facebook page <a href="mailto:https://www.facebook.com/vote1susanmcintyre">https://www.facebook.com/vote1susanmcintyre</a>

I would love your feedback.



### SANCTUARY LAKES COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES INTRODUCING HASAN NAIM

I have lived in Australia for 21 years the last 6 years in Sanctuary Lakes. I am married with two children and they attend local schools.

I am running my own Pharmaceuticals business in Australia and previously worked in management roles for global and Australian Pharmaceutical and Clinical Research Organisations.

I've completed Masters of Business Administration from Victoria University and M. Sc. in Chemistry from RMIT.

### **VOTE 1** NAIM Hasan



VOTE 1 NAIM Hasan FOR HARRISON FOR BETTER LIVING

For 21 years I have worked as a volunteer for the community with various community groups developing better and healthier communities. I am the founder of Renaissance Drama Society and Melbourne Multicultural Film Society, an active member of a Sports Club, Wyndham City Council Building Blocks, Victorian Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

My vision is to make our Wyndham a place for better living.

To make a better living place, I will support and advocate with the local and state government to develop:

- Better and safer roads
- Free public transports
- More parking
- Cycling lanes
- Police station in Point Cook
- More security cameras
- Multipurpose stadium and recreation centre
- Medical and hospital facilities
- Science and Innovation hub
- Art & Cultural hub in Point Cook
- Local business and employment opportunities
- Negotiate for better discount of council rates for Sanctuary Lakes as we are paying body corporate.

Let's work together to make Wyndham a better place to live.

For positive representation, vote 1 Hasan Naim. My how to vote card is on FB page: fb.com/HNforHarrison or my website: www.hasannaim.com.



### SANCTUARY LAKES COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES INTRODUCING SACHIN KHERA

My name is Sachin Khera and I am a candidate for upcoming Wyndham City Council elections that will be held on 24 October 2020. I am a management professional, currently lived and worked in Harrison Ward. I have in-depth knowledge of local issues and have been actively contributing to the well-being of our community.

Ably supported back home by my teacher wife and two growing kids, I am an astute management professional, successfully steering my business for the last six years. Having lived and worked in Wyndham for several years, I am aware of the local issues and have enlisted my priority areas. Improved CCTV surveillance and frequent police patrols being my topmost priority to enhance the safety and security, I'd also work towards illuminating dark spots, getting Point Cook's planned police station operational and providing superior road infrastructure so people could spend more time with their families than on roads. While educating residents is more important, providing them larger recycling bins would avoid illegal dumping.



I would also encourage businesses to offer employment and internship opportunities to local students. More exercise equipment in local parks and better facilities will make open spaces lively and will nudge a greater number of people to go outdoors for a cohesive community.

While a reduction of 10% in the Rates will help people alleviate their Covid-19 stress, advocacy for establishing a \$10 million fund would rebuild local businesses beyond Covid-19 era. As a winner of industry awards, I believe in making things happen, and will make a definitive contribution towards the development of our community in synchronisation with the Council's vision.

As a councillor, I would profoundly consider the varying views of the community and then make decisions that are in the best interests of the whole electorate.

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Many Thanks SACHIN KHERA

### SANCTUARY LAKES COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES INTRODUCING TULLY SMITH

Sarah and I settled in Sanctuary Lakes to start our family and make a home. The reasons that attracted us to Sanctuary Lakes are why I am running for council - we have an unbeatable lifestyle in a great location, but we are facing great challenges. This election is about our future.

COVID-19 has hit us all and we need a comprehensive recovery strategy that gets our community working again - residents and our 17,000 small and medium businesses are depending on it. We need to start with residential and business rate relief and then keep our rates low.



We live in the fastest growing area in Victoria. We need sustainable growth with the infrastructure to match.

That's why if elected I will:

- Fight government plans to develop housing on the 414-hectare Aviator Fields site in Point Cook
- Back the infrastructure we need, like fixing the Sneydes and Point Cook Road intersection and building a new aquatic centre on the land opposite Phoneix Hotel
- Support Sanctuary Lakes becoming its own suburb
- Invest in our parks and open spaces

Now more than even we need strong and transparent local leadership. I'm committed to Council meetings being held in Sanctuary Lakes and I will hold regular Sanctuary Lakes community meetings to enable me to best represent all of us.

Before starting my own business, I worked in senior positions for some of Australia's largest companies, I have advised governments and sat on the boards of several charities. I have been recognised with a Prime Minister's Award for Voluntary Community Service.

I'm running to ensure Sanctuary Lakes remains the very best place to live, work and to raise a family. You can find out more at www.tullysmith.com or call/text me on 0456 213 186 to discuss the matters impacting you, your family and our community.

### SANCTUARY LAKES COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES INTRODUCING SAHANA RAMESH

After living in Sanctuary Lakes for 5 years, experiencing firsthand the rewards and frustrations of life in Point Cook, Sahana this year has elected to run for the Wyndham City Council as an Independent candidate.

Being a quality councillor requires a well-rounded individual. Strong community engagement applied alongside solid business acumen, combined with the creativity and insights required to visualise what this great city could look like and should look like into the future.

Having migrated from India at a young age, Sahana initially chose to put her community spirit towards helping those in need back in her birth town. Some of her greater achievements included volunteering to teach at a school that had no teacher on hand, creating a waste management system where it was lacking and working with the local community to inspire a culture that does not condone littering.

More recently her attention has been on forming her foundation

of business acumen, having studied for an MBA at Melbourne University, and going on to co-found her own company in the renewables and sustainability industry. She has spent time living for short stints in Europe, Asia and America, working on business and government relationship management for large multinational corporations, and working to inspire investments into the renewables industry.

At heart, Sahana is a creative, exciting spirit, with a passion for culture, fashion and culinary arts as expressions of culture. Alongside her dogged determination, if she is set onto an objective she believes in, she can and will find every creative avenue to ensure it is done, quickly and efficiently. When asked what her primary objective was in running for councillor, Sahana replied "At the end of the day I only have the community interest at heart. We need strong leaders that know how to run what is a \$4 billion public organisation and can balance the influence of large companies that only have their bottom-line profitability in mind. There are only a handful of candidates that I would trust to represent my interests properly and diligently. My hope is that the people of Wyndham can see this as well, and that I will get to serve you all alongside these high calibre individuals."





### WHAT'S ON Around Sanctuary Lakes

### **Tractor Edging**

Over the past week our Resort Maintenance team have had the small tractor edger out edging the noncart path side of the Boulevards. Whilst this has been a slow job, with some nature strips needing to be edged several times, the result is crisp turf lines around parking bays and crossovers.

Some residents may find that the cut offs have been thrown back onto the nature strip, these will be mulched when the ride on mows the nature strips.

#### **Breezewater Reserve Pathway**

We recently received a complaint from a resident regarding the unfinished walkway at Breezewater Reserve.

We contacted Wyndham City Council in relation to this as the reserve is Council property and they advised that the gravel path would be completed once COVID-19 restrictions had lifted.

We are pleased to see that works on the path have now started.

#### Sea Grass

Over the past fortnight a massive 58.12 tonnes of sea grass was taken to the tip for recycling.

The sea grass is dropped in a special area at the tip which is allocated to Veolia. It is then transported to their recycling plant at Bulla for processing.







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# Free outdoor PT session

for Sanctuary Lakes residents

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