



Settlers Green Autumn Newsletter

Autumn has arrived and since the last newsletter much has taken place. We welcome all those who are new to Settlers Green and hope that you enjoy being a part of our community. In January we farewell Beverly Thompson who has moved to a retirement village in St Ives. The Committee and Social Club organised a farewell afternoon tea to than Bev for the 25 years that she spent in creating and maintain the gardens throughout the Estate that we all enjoy. In particular, Bev spent numerous hours each week weeding the different garden beds. It was very pleasing to see so many residents join us to farewell Bev and wish her well for the next stage of her life.

Over the past few months Ken Wyper and Don Zacherl have been very busy in identifying areas of common property that need maintenance. As Settlers Green ages, it is not surprising that time has an impact on the infrastructure and that there is a need for addressing ongoing maintenance issues for the long term and as they arise. Temporary work has been undertaken to ensure that no small children can access the pool area via Tennis Court 1. The gardeners have continued to maintain the mowing and pruning of the different areas of the Estate. Additionally, Don Zacherl has spent many hours removing weeds and planting to ensure our gardens are always looking their best.

If you are interested in volunteering to work in the gardens, please contact the Committee via settlerscommittee@gmail.com. A few hours a week or month will help us to maintain the gardens to the standard that we expect. They provide a place for children to play and residents to gather in the different spaces.

Late January saw the arrival of new furniture for the pool area. Over time the original tables had deteriorated and that fact that they has glass tops was a safety concern. Four new banana lounges were added and as well, 3 tables with accompanying chairs. Two tables seating four were added and these can be easily joined to accommodate a larger number. Another table seating six was also added. The arrival of the new furniture was timely as the weather improved and the number of families using the pool increased.

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A checklist is to be placed in the Clubhouse kitchen are so that residents who note a shortage of consumable items can indicate what is needed. The list will be checked regularly to ensure that items such as paper towel, washing up liquid and the like are available for those using the Clubhouse. It is timely to remind residents who use the Clubhouse or have a boking for its use, that there are some expectations. The Clubhouse has consumables for washing up, for the dishwasher, to clean surfaces, clingwrap, aluminum foil, baking paper and the like. Crockery, cutlery, glasses and general kitchen utensils are also available for use. There are gas lighters for the BBQ and heater. There is paper towel provided, while tea towels are located above the ovens. Spare paper towel is in the cupboard above the refrigerator.

When using the Clubhouse for a function with a booking or casually, residents are reminded that they are expected to clean up after the completion of their function. If the dishwasher is used, please empty it the next day and return crockery and cutlery to the relevant drawers. Ensure that benches have been wiped clean, that floors are swept and furniture returned to its original layout. Also ensure that any items brought by those using the Clubhouse are removed and that the fridge is left clean and personal goods are removed. Make sure that when you depart the doors are locked and that the alarm has been turned on. Your assistance in this regard will assist the next

person/group who has booked the Clubhouse. If you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Committee.

Just a reminder that the use of the Clubhouse does require a booking so that the Committee member on duty can open the Clubhouse for use. Those who book the Clubhouse are expected to ensure that they undertake the cleaning regime as set out in the Guide located in the Clubhouse. Bookings for the Clubhouse and Tennis Courts are now made electronically using SKEDDA using the following: <https://app.skedda.com/account/login>

Social Committee

What do you think of this?



The Committee are considering implementing a “ticketing” system which would allow residents to access documents, minutes, newsletters etc – and also to alert the Committee to issues or areas of concern related to the usage and maintenance of our Common Areas.

The system is still under development at the moment, but you can have a preview of it by entering the following link into your browser:

<https://mysettlersgreen.org.au/public/en/>

The system is a ‘barebones’ setup at the moment, but you will be able to see what it is capable of by browsing your way through the website.

At the business end of things, any ‘issue’ or ‘concern’ raised by a resident will generate a “ticket” with an auto response to confirm receipt of the ticket. The intention is that the Committee will review each ticket and allocate a Committee Member to take responsibility for the issue, with all correspondence being recorded by the system. Tickets will be allocated a priority and will be reported on at each Committee Meeting, with outstanding tickets (unresolved issues) reported on at each AGM.

Please have a look and let us know what you think. All feedback will be considered!



A reminder that Settlers Green has a Facebook page which is not managed by the Committee. The Committee will use it to inform of work being undertaken that may affect residents or of social events.