

## **AGM 2016 PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Thanks to all the Members, especially the Committee Members, for their support and involvement over the last year. The LCHRA has had a successful year in terms of participation and advocacy.

### **Achievements**

- After more than 8 years of constant advocacy a speed limit has finally been placed on Souther Estuary Road, the intersections in the Shire of Waroona more clearly defined and the roads signage improved. Thanks to all those who have worked hard on this issue over the years.
- After more than 2 years since our submission on the name change for Old Bunbury Road (East), instigated by FESA, the new name Lake Clifton Road has been put in place.
- The Newsletter has been discontinued. Thanks to all the regular advertisers, a list of whom is displayed on the Noticeboard at the hall. The move to social media has been quite successful with over 200 members in our Facebook Group. The majority of these Facebook "Friends" are not financial members of LCHRA so news from the association is now reaching out to a much larger section of the community.
- The Lake Clifton Lime Kiln Development Project Concept Plan, funded by a \$24,000 grant from Lotterywest, was finalised in May. Thanks to the community members who volunteered to be part of the Reference Group, and DPaW and the Shire of Waroona for their participation. Most of all thanks to Barb Kleitniks from Studio Earth for her hard work and the very detailed Concept Plan. An application to Peel Development Commission has been made for a Royalties for Region grant of just over \$100,000 to fund the project.
- The LCHRA was actively involved with the Age Friendly Working Group, attending meetings and workshops. This working group was formed to assist the Shire of Murray and the Shire of Waroona in making priority decisions about their age friendly strategies in their Strategic Plans.
- New community noticeboards have been installed advertising our facebook and website addresses. These boards are also available to the Fire Brigade for notices.
- The Lake Clifton and Herron areas have been selected for release of the new Korean strain of the RHD calicivirus in March 2017. This virus works more quickly than the present calicivirus and consequently is more humane. Release of the virus has passed all the Biosecurity and Legislative checks and balances. It will make no difference to the status quo accept it will overcome any resistance to the present calicivirus. Hopefully a community meeting will be held closer to the date. Volunteers will be recruited for monitoring.
- The community hall was a polling place for the the Federal Election, showcasing the facilities to many local residents. The hall will also be a polling place for the State election in March 2017.
- The LCHRA was invited by the Peel-Harvey Biosecurity Group to host a morning tea for a group of interstate and international visitors attending the International Weed Conference in Perth. There were visitors from the eastern states, New Zealand, South Africa and Bhutan, so we are now internationally known.
- We have regular users of the Hall – Cwilters, Senior Sundowners, Karate, and a new exercise group will be starting. This great as our facility needs to be used.

### **Disappointments**

- After giving it a good go, the AV nights were abandoned. Thanks to the loyal regulars.
- The Library venture was also abandoned which was disappointing. Thanks to the regular visitors who came for books, a chat and a cuppa.
- The take up of the Fruit Fly Bait was a disappointment as we know if everybody treated their fruit fly it could be locally eradicated. The bait will be distributed by Graeme Wyatt this year.

Thanks again to everyone involved with the Association. Jenny