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### The Beach Boys - April 2016

Mike Brew from Franklin Island (FI) joined the group and is in controls the FI beach. There are problems with kids opening the FI gabions and throwing the rocks into the water.

There are also problems with leaves & blossom being washed into the lakes. These two issues are on the agenda for Council discussions.



*Peter Harris*  
CO-ORDINATOR

## ENCOUNTER LAKES RESIDENTS GROUP INC

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## Franklin Island & Encounter Lakes now one, under the Council's Management Plan



The motion to include Franklin Island residents as part of the Encounter lakes Residents Group (ELRGI) was carried unanimously at the November 2015 AGM.

On behalf of all residents in our suburb we welcome everybody from Franklin Island into the wider Encounter Lakes community.

community.

We already share our water and have many common facilities including a unique, comprehensive management plan developed by the City of Victor Harbor. The plan is described in some detail in the centrefold to this newsletter and represents an approach that is fully supported by both Council and residents.

The Management Plan protects our environment and lifestyle now, and into the future ensuring that the Lakes will remain a very special place for both residents and visitors to enjoy.

The ELRGI committee has been expanded to include representation from Franklin Island and we all look forward to working together to preserve and further develop the unique lifestyle we enjoy in our unique community.

Contact details for all ELRGI members are set out on the back page.



Members of the ELRGI committee have close involvement with many areas of the Council's activities. If you have any issue you feel would benefit from Council attention, please feel free to contact one of our Committee members.



## Message From The President

We are delighted that this Newsletter will now be available to the residents of both Encounter Lakes and Franklin Island following the changes to the ELRGI Constitution at the 2106 AGM. We now have representatives from Franklin Island on the Committee and look forward to progressing the broader community interests this year for our members.

As we near Anzac Day, we are pleased to support the South Coast Veterans Association Inc, which, in conjunction with the Royal Society for the Blind (RSB) and the Returned Services League is raising funds for "Operation K9" under the RSB Assistance Dog Program.

The RSB Dogs trained for "Operation K9", provide wonderful support to veterans, accompanying their owners everywhere, including public transport, in shopping centres, cinemas and restaurants. They are specially trained to carry out a range of tasks aimed at reducing anxiety, as well as being a 'friend and companion' for veterans from all conflicts living with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

This Newsletter includes details on the "Good Evening Vietnam – Cabaret" being held to raise funds for "Operation K9" on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> of May, commencing 7:30pm at the Victor Harbor Recreation Centre, 5 George Main Road. We hope you can make time to attend & have a "Rocking Great Night" in support of a wonderful cause!

As summer slips into autumn, it has been pleasing to see an increasing number of lake users "donning" floatation devices when using watercraft. We have been informed that a toddler on a paddleboat in the Southern end of the lake benefited from wearing such a device during the Christmas holidays when he fell in and could not be recovered immediately by the parents. The devices are proving their worth!

Details of your Committee representatives are included on the last page of the Newsletter so if you have any ideas, suggestions or issues for our Community you wish to bring to the Committee's attention, please contact us & let us know!

*Tony Aldridge*

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## Can Everybody Win?

This is Franklin Island, next to the beach, a popular swimming and picnic spot.

The only problem is that there is no parking. The area in the photo looks like a car-park but is said to be a turning circle.

Visitors park over resident's driveways

and can be a nuisance. As citizens, we need to find a way for visitors to be welcome and our neighbours free to enjoy their life-space.

## Another Fabulous Year of Christmas lights



How nice is it on a calm, balmy, summer evening to walk around Encounter Lakes/Franklin Island and admire the stunning reflections that are only possible when you live next to a lake or river.

These are just two of many stunning displays that we can all enjoy from end to end of this great area each Christmas, thanks to the generosity of our public spirited residents.

We say it again and again; but we do live in a very special place.



### Stop our Young People Hurting Themselves

This photo is probably too small for you to be able to read the print on the sign. It reads "No Diving Off The Causeway". ELRGI is grateful that the Council has decided to install a number of signs to warn young people of the danger of diving or jumping into this dangerous area.

**IF YOU SEE YOUNG PEOPLE DIVING IN THIS AREA PLEASE WARN THEM**

## Encounter Lakes Volunteer Gardening Group



The Volunteer Gardening Group helps with the care of reserves and gardens within Encounter Lakes and Franklin Island. The work is mainly pruning, spreading mulch and tidying various areas.

It takes 1.5 hours between 8-30am and 10-00am on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Franklin Island is now part of our area of responsibility and we could do with more helpers. It's not hard work and you will meet some nice people.

**IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CALL KEN BUCKLEY ON 8552 8151**

**GOOD EVENING  
VIETNAM  
CABARET**

IN SUPPORT OF



THE SOUTH COAST VETERANS ASSOCIATION INC



7TH MAY, 2016

Tea and coffee provided

7.30PM



**VICTOR HARBOR RECREATION CENTRE**

5 GEORGE MAIN RD, V.H.

*BYO drinks, nibbles & supper*

**\$25 PP TICKET** To book, just ring 0418837339



Live music by MUSKAT, John Bywaters' band (formerly of "the Twilights") & special guest artists Hollie Andrew (star of "The Sapphires" stage musical) & Brian Thorpe.



### Hot, but Happy Work

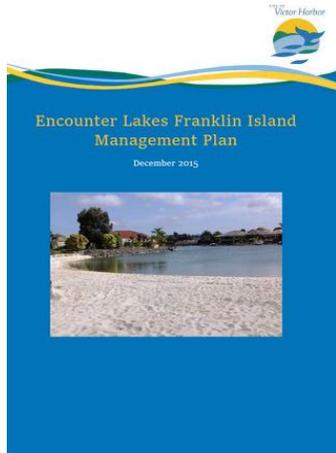
Christmas morning was hot; even hotter if you were in the direct sun wearing a thick white wig, beard and red suit; but with more than 100 presents to deliver Santa and his helpers set out to bring a little Christmas joy to people living round the lake or those who

made their way to the many parks and beaches to join in the festivities.

This group of Gary and Joan Kortman's relatives came all the way from Canada to enjoy being part of our 2015 Lake's Christmas.

Fiona Harvey did a great job collecting, organising and packing presents ready for delivery. Bill Harvey, at his own cost, provided the normal support by providing and driving the boat in his fairy costume, whereas Santa and his Elf just enjoyed dressing up and helping make youngsters happy. The Council even waived the lake access fee for us. Thanks!

## Encounter Lakes Franklin Island Management Plan



The Management Plan, has evolved out of the original agreement between the Council and Adelaide Development Company when the original lake was created.

ELRGI believes that our suburbs are indeed fortunate to have such a comprehensive agreement in place with Council.

Since January 2016 Franklin Island has been part of the plan which covers all aspects of facilities and maintenance and safety responsibilities.

The plan is too comprehensive for it to be

summarised in something like the newsletter, but it can be read or downloaded from the Council website at <https://www.victor.sa.gov.au>

## Under New Management

It's exciting to see that The Boulevard Cafe has been taken over by Chris Roberts and Lisa Jamieson from Roxby Downs.

Lisa has told us of some exciting changes including monthly theme nights, the opportunity to experience unique Encounter Lakes High Teas and daily coffee



and cake specials.

Menus are being re-vamped, including something special for the kids. The Boulevard will open weekends and public holidays and holiday surcharges will no longer apply. Great news for everybody.



## \$3 Postage Doesn't Work for a \$5 Sub

With postage costs continuing to increase ELRGI is looking for ways to ensure we can keep subs at nominal levels. We have 35 members with properties in Encounter Lakes or Franklin Island who live out of the area. We will include a letter to these members suggesting ways we might reduce postage costs.

## Another Perfect Summer Evening



Close to 100 members enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the ELRGI Christmas function on John Crompton Reserve.

For a second year in succession we had near perfect weather, plenty of food and lots of good conversation between people who may have lived in quite different parts of our suburb.

The ELRGI committee is very supportive of funding a function of this nature as it returns a part of the subs we collect to the people who contributed them and provides a great opportunity for people in the Lakes area to meet and get to know each other.

It takes a lot of work to organise a function like our Christmas party so it's worth a photo of Heather Wehr and David Barlow hard at work, before most of our guests had arrived.



It's probably fair to thank the entire ELRGI committee as everybody plays a part in this function and our more serious business activities during the year.



It has been suggested there might be some advantage in moving our function from December to early February. The rationale is that there are so many functions in December that a February date may let more residents attend. If you have a view please speak to one of the committee. **The group to the left voted for both.**