

# ARPQ — ASSOCIATED RESIDENTIAL PARKS QUEENSLAND INC.

**YOUR VOICE FOR RESIDENTS IN OVER 50'S RESIDENTIAL LIFESTYLE PARKS**

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AGM – 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER.

Membership renewals and Annual General Meeting notices have gone out to all members. Your renewal is important to us. We only exist because of your continued support.

It's all about numbers, lobbying/liasing with Government and Park Operators.

## **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER – MEMBER RENEWALS AND AGM.**

**GATEWAY LIFESTYLE**– Another large Park operator has come on board and wants to work constructively with ARPQ. Committee members of ARPQ have met with Management of Gateway and established a working relationship. This will flow through to all Gateway Parks in Queensland and membership forms will be available at all Gateway offices and ARPQ advertising will be placed in Gateway Newsletters in all Villages.

HOC's of all Gateway Villages will also be holding regular meetings which has already commenced. ARPQ will be meeting with Management of Gateway when need be.

There has been a clean sweep in one Gateway Village with New Managers being appointed and sweeping changes to the better of all concerned. Gateway Greenbank has a different atmosphere about it now and an open policy of communication.

If you reside in a Gateway Lifestyle Park and have concerns please bring them to us so we can mediate on your behalf with Phil Ward the Area Manager and Tonia Ivani the Communities Manager. They are both dedicated to improve the relationship between Management and Homeowners.

**ADVERTISING** - Look for the ARPQ add in the recent copies of "Your Time" over 50's Magazine – Brisbane and Sunshine Coast editions, and in the Brisbane edition until November. Same page as the Crosswords. We try to stretch your \$10 membership as far as possible and have managed to obtain a reasonable deal with this publication.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** – 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 9am – 12 noon at BEENLEIGH RSL (wheel chair accessible) all on ground floor and plenty of parking.

**WHERE** - 13 BARDYN HALLIDAY DRIVE - MT WARREN PARK. Morning tea at 9am. Only financial members can vote. We would prefer that you try not to pay on the day as we will be very busy. Please be aware that if your contact details or email address have changed to let us know.

**GUEST SPEAKER** – Terry Green Senior Policy Officer and Manager RSU Department of Housing.

As your association, ARPQ is headed in a slightly different direction of direct contact with park operators/managers we will be putting forth some new initiatives at the meeting.

The following “Notices of Motion” will be before the floor –

**The establishment of an affiliation with ARPRA a counterpart organization in New South Wales.**

**Membership fee increase. ARPQ has not increased this during the term of their life. Over 4 years.**

**A Committee structure that allows Delegates from separate Villages to participate in ARPQ activities.**

**ARPQ WELCOMES INVITATIONS FROM HOC'S TO COME ALONG AND TALK IN YOUR PARK, EITHER AT A GENERAL MEETING OR SEPARATE OCCASION. THE TALKS HELD SO FAR HAVE BEEN QUITE FRUITFUL FOR ALL CONCERNED. WE CAN ALSO TROUBLE SHOOT AND GIVE ADVICE ON YOUR RIGHTS AT THESE MEETINGS.**

Another two Villages have been visited recently where there had been many problems that the homeowners wished to discuss and have sorted out. One Village that had been told by the Owners that they could not have a HOC or hold meetings in the Village was of particular concern. Immediately after meeting with ARPQ at an outside location the group of inspired Homeowners returned to the Village and formed a HOC and informed the Owner what they had done and that they would be holding meetings within the Village. This is their right.

**COMMUNICATION WITH MINISTER MICK de BRENNI AND THE ACT REVIEW.**

Committee members will be attending another two meetings with the Minister and his staff this month. One was on 15<sup>th</sup> and another later in the month in the form of a Workshop of all stakeholders to discuss changes to the Act and how we can move forward. Rest assured some very direct questions have been and will be asked by your Committee as we are fed up with this waiting game and the supposed scrapping of the Consultation Regulation Impact Statement (CRIS) we have been waiting 4 years for. We got some relevant messages across at the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> September.

**UP-COMING EVENT - ARPQ AT THE BERT VAN MANNEN FORD SENIORS EXPO – CANTERBURY COLLEGE ON 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER – 10AM START.** This is usually a great day with give a ways from Bert and his team, entertainment, food and fun. **COME ALONG AND MEET US - LOOK OUT FOR OUR STAND.**

**CONTACT OUR SPONSORS FOR SPECIAL DEALS**

**Newhaven funerals.**

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**Crown/Kings Currency exchange. Special discounts for Seniors.**



**ALL ABOVE ARE ON OUR WEB SITE [www.arpq.org.au](http://www.arpq.org.au)**

**LOOK FOR OUR STAND.**

**WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE – DOES ANYONE KNOW THE FOLLOWING 4 MEMBERS.**

We can't locate these members owing to lack of imputation when they joined plus their membership forms may have gone astray either in the mail or on line. We appreciate your assistance if they are in your Village. [Lionel Bloss](#) : [Peter Barry](#) : [\(first name not known\) Lyall- Wilson](#) : [\(First name not known\) Judd](#) : Please call 38021863 if you can help.

**PRE LOVED LISTINGS PAGE** - another new listing as below has gone on the web site of late. if you have friends who want to purchase, send them to [www.arpq.org.au](http://www.arpq.org.au) to have a look at what is available in various areas. just open up the home listings page.

The latest listing below is at Coombabah just behind the beaches of the Gold Coast and foreshore of Labrador and the beautiful Southport Broadwater in a leafy setting and at the reasonable price of \$155,000. For more information go to the web site [www.arpq.org.au](http://www.arpq.org.au) and open up “Home Listings”.



**DONT FORGET WHEN THE TIME COMES TO SELL WE OFFER A ONE COST ONLY INTERTNET LISTING ON THE ARPQ WEB SITE FOR YOUR HOME FOR \$150.00 UNTIL SOLD.** You get 15 Colour photos and a full detailed professional description with your name and contact details so **YOU** can sell your home. No agents commissioins taken.



**TO ALL HOMEOWNERS** – it is essential that you write to your local State MP about the Act review and get him/her to speak to the Housing Minister Mick de Brenni. They are put in their positions to represent us and our needs. All State MP’s names are listed on line, with their contact details if you don’t know who he/she is. Our Minister for Housing Mick De Brenni has scrapped the \$800 million housing initiative in Logan, months after he described it as “ a key priority for the Queensland Government” **we must not let this happen to our Act review.**

**Take care and don’t forget to ring or contact us if you have any queries or problems you wish us to take up on your behalf.**

**CONTACT DETAILS**– Please do not use the contact details on the blue fridge magnets. David Paton our Advocacy Officer has moved and all other Committee contacts are on the web site.

*Beryl Dwyer – Secretary for Your ARPQ Committee.*