

YARRA GLEN & DISTRICT TOWNSHIP GROUP

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NOT MUCH NEWS THIS WEEK

Although we are again one day late in getting out newsletter out to interested stakeholders, there is not a lot to report. We have not heard from any of our occasional contributors and the group have been extremely busy and unable to scout around for items of interest.

THE JOLLY THING

One email that did land on our desk (via email) this week was the Steels Creek Community Newsletter "The Jolly Thing". Produced every two months, this is a jolly good read on all the happenings in this part of our District. Already they have produced 67 editions and – unlike our small offering – are packed with pages and pages of information. The guest editor David Allan appears to have had a few problems with distribution, but alls well that ends well.

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED

Hopefully those community-minded readers of this newsletter have had time to think about our plea for new members of the **Yarra Glen & District Township Group** and have contacted a member of the committee to find our more and possibly put their name forward as a possible new member.

Our meetings have been informal, enjoyable, challenging and democratic and are generally restricted to two hours once a month. There may be other commitments required such as meetings with other community groups, involvement in projects or representing the group at various functions but these are shared around by the committee and generally do not add a lot of time to the commitment required. As mentioned in our newsletter last week, the only criteria needed to become a member are an affinity with the district, a willingness to be involved and respect for the views and opinions of others. All members have been enriched by their involvement in the establishment year of the committee and believe that it offers the same opportunity of personal development will apply to any new members joining this year.

You can nominate yourself by contacting any of the current members in writing (email, fax, letter, etc). We would love to hear from you.

PERMITS ISSUED THIS WEEK

There were three permits applied for in our district last week:

The **Yarra Valley Racing Centre** is continuing its development and has applied for a permit to demolish the female jockey's room, the snack bar, the dining room and the TAB building located behind the current committee room. Jigsaw Design have applied for a permit to construct outbuildings in Ellis road and in Steels Creek, a permit for a minor change of use to Tourist Accommodation has been applied for at 363 Steels Creek Road.

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