



# Community Newsletter

## Autumn 2017

### Important Contacts

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Emergency after hours contact: Angelo 0418264350 (building related issues only)

Fitzroy Police (24 hours): 99346400 (security issues and excessive noise)

EPA (24 hours) [1300 372 842](tel:1300372842) (noise after 10 or 11 pm) See

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/your-environment/noise/residential-noise/prohibited-times-for-residential-noise>

### Notes from the Owners' Corporation Committee

The ROI website is an excellent resource for owners, residents and real estate agents. It can be accessed on [www.roiapartments.com.au](http://www.roiapartments.com.au) If you have any feedback about the website or the newsletter, please contact [penny.bassett@outlook.com](mailto:penny.bassett@outlook.com)

We have all chosen to live in this community of almost 400 people because of its many benefits. However, it's a shared space, and while the vast majority of residents respect each other's comfort, it's necessary to remember there are some Rules to protect us all. Please ensure you have a copy of the Owners Corporation Rules which can be downloaded from the <http://www.roiapartments.com.au/information.html>

### ROI Community Barbecue: Wednesday 8 March, 6.30-8.30 pm

Please come and meet your neighbours and the Owners Corporation Committee members on Level 3, East Wing Terrace. BYO meat and drinks, cutlery and crockery. You might like to bring a salad to share. Bread and sauce will be provided.

### Gardening at ROI

We will soon be installing some new garden beds on the ROI BBQ terrace. The new garden beds will contain herbs, vegetables and fruit for use by all residents at ROI.



The garden beds will be self-watering wicking beds requiring minimal maintenance. However we will be setting up a residents gardening club to help assist in maintaining these garden beds. Once established the garden club will also host social gatherings to share gardening stories, tips, and recipes. The garden club members will also have the opportunity to assist in the seasonal selection of plants for the garden beds.

If you are interested in joining the ROI Gardening Club or would like to be kept informed about this project please contact [melissa.a.height@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.a.height@gmail.com)

## Recycling at ROI

Do the Scunch to find out if your plastic is good for recycling. Scunch the plastic - if it bounces back into shape, like a biscuit tray, or shampoo bottle, it's hard, and great for recycling. If you scunch it and it stays sort of scrunched - like glad wrap or the outer wrapping on the biscuits - it's soft: please put it into the red box beside the recycling bins. Some residents are still placing *plastic bags and soft plastic* in the recycling bins. Inclusion of the plastic bags means that the contents of the bins will have to go into landfill rather than being recycled.

So **do the scunch** and keep those plastic bags out of the recycling.

The not for profit organisation Charity Bins collects the recycling bins from B1 every Thursday. If notified in advance, they will collect furniture that is in good condition. Please contact Mario [roimanager@live.com.au](mailto:roimanager@live.com.au) if you want to recycle large objects.

## Food Know How

Want to save about \$2000 a year? Join the City of Yarra's *Food Know How Program*. It's free and a great resource for hints on buying, storing and cooking foods. There is also a great recipe finder to help you to use what's already in the fridge. Say you have leftover lamb and carrots - you type those foods in and, presto, *Food Know How* comes back with recipes to fit those foods. You save money and time, and waste less. For more information visit <http://www.foodknowhow.org.au/>

## ROI Art Prize

The Art Show in the front foyer set the stage for the residents and visitors. There was great interest in and discussion about the works as people traversed the foyer during the 7 days on display. The People's Choice was a unanimous success, with approximately 70 of out 174 units taking the opportunity to vote.

It was great to see so many residents, owners, friends and the artists celebrating at the awards ceremony in November.

The winners were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Monique Morter
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Erica Wrigley
People's choice	Melanie Capel

Unfortunately, on the morning of the event, two paintings were stolen, the winner and runner-up. Despite CCTV coverage and a police investigation the art works have not been recovered. Security will be improved for the 2017 exhibition.

The ROI Art Prize Committee would like to thank our sponsors, Nelson Alexander Real Estate, Two Tall Chefs and Piedimonte's Supermarket for their ongoing support of this event.

Further thanks are due to our judges who came on site to choose the winners.

And to all the artists who entered: entry forms for 2017 will be posted on the ROI website at the beginning of April. Please enter again!

## **An Invitation**

To all artists living at the ROI and their artist friends/partners. You are invited to drinks and nibbles at Unit 410 on Friday 24 March from 6-8pm.

We'd like to find out from **YOU** what would make the Art Prize better every year.

Please let Robin Bowles know on 0418102732 or put a note in 410 letterbox to indicate attendance.

## Bicycles

Please find below some key information about bikes at Bik Lane:

- We conduct an **Annual Audit Of Bikes** that requires registration with a new coloured tag each year. You are required to register your bike with Mario following a letter outlining the dates of the audit and obtain a coloured tag.
- Please ensure this tag is attached to your bike's handlebars in order to streamline the auditing process. Please note that abandoned / unregistered bikes will be donated to 'Bicycles for Humanity', a charity that seeks to alleviate poverty in Africa through sustainable transport.
- Please **do not park** your bicycle in the new ground floor parking area unless it is in a designated space. Do not stand bicycles in the entrance to bicycle park which is for regular 'commuters' only.

In a previous Newsletter, the Owners' Corporation invited residents to purchase bicycle storage racks for installation onto walls adjacent to their carpark at a cost of \$12-\$15, plus installation. If you are interested in purchasing one of these racks (pictured) please email [roi@acebodycorp.com.au](mailto:roi@acebodycorp.com.au) and we can discuss installation with you.



## Parcel Deliveries

Parcel deliveries are placed in main lobby in the West Wing. East Wing residents should regularly check for parcels as couriers do not usually leave a card in your letterbox.

## ROI Owners Corporation AGM Wednesday 3 May

Would you like to be part of the committee of the OC? Please forward your expressions of interest to Angelo at [roi@acebodycorp.com.au](mailto:roi@acebodycorp.com.au)

We are always looking for committed members who not only have an interest in the decision making, but are prepared to do the 'behind the scenes' work that makes it so desirable to live at ROI. The OC committee can have up to 12 members.

At present we have a number of sub-committees whose members develop ideas to be considered by the full committee at its meeting every second month. The sub-committees are:

- Building Maintenance and Security
- Gardening
- Bicycle Initiatives
- ROI Art Prize
- Communications
- Rules, Contracts and Agreements

If this sounds like something you'd like to do, don't be shy!

Nominations are called - and the election is held - at the AGM.

## Carpark storage

Do not leave furniture, boxes or other rubbish on top of or between storage cages or anywhere else in B1 and B2. These items are a fire hazard. Please ensure residents' safety by removing all such items. The photographs below show some of the large number of items that have been stacked in car parks, around and on top of storage units.



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