



The Grapevine

Community Newsletter for Landowners and Friends of Nangarin Vineyard Estate

Welcome to the Nangarin Community Newsletter.

Since the last edition, we have had our Annual General Meeting. Unfortunately, there were too few residents to hold the original meeting, but a successful night was held a few weeks later. There have been some changes to the Executive Committee, with special thanks to Luke Borg, John Gilmore and George Morrison for their efforts over the past few years. All three individuals had committed an enormous amount of time and energy to the community which was greatly appreciated by all.

The 07' Executive Committee is again working towards ensuring our future needs are considered, as well as addressing the day to day issues. We will continue to work with our managing agent – Macarthur Strata – addressing residents concerns and issues. The voluntary committee will also continue to formally meet bi-monthly, with different gatherings for our fellow residents planned throughout the year. Hopefully, more residents will support these events that will further foster the community spirit that has been achieved so far.

The welcomed recent rains, has highlighted some maintenance issues that are being addressed. Further beautification works will be carried out this year, complementing the improvements undertaken in the past. The recent rain has also caused some issues for the Vineyard operators that will impact on their harvest.

I am looking forward to the year ahead. With more houses nearing completion and new residents moving in, they too will be able to enjoy the peaceful lifestyle that we currently have.

Brian Statham.
Chairperson.



NANGARIN ESTATE BEAUTIFICATION

We have been working towards some great new shade trees being planted around the amenities areas next to the BBQ. One of our primary objectives is to use local natives in the planted community areas. To this end we have approached our local nurseries to provide planting advice and prices, to be presented to the committee for approval.

The subcommittee is committed to working together with local residents to ensure that all future plantings compliment the fire/risk plan and in no way compromise our safety. It is proposed to use native trees to rejuvenate areas of bush land away from homes that is along the creek line. Deciduous trees, which are largely fire retardant, will then be planted in the open areas and will provide excellent colors throughout autumn and summer.

To ensure appropriate community consultation, the estate has been divided into two zones. This is represented by the area to the south of the vintage (incorporating The Vines and The Briars) and the area to the north of the Vintage (incorporating the Ironbarks). If you have a suggestion for community land near your home, please contact your local representative to discuss your proposal. It should be remembered that there is an expectation that residents will assist in the maintenance of improvements, even if this only amounts to a drink of water and the occasional fertilize.

For more information on your local sub committee representative or to become part of this sub-committee contact the secretary to express your interest:

Contact Rod <mailto:rod.harrison@alphawest.com.au>



MAINTENANCE

Since the beginning of the year you may have noticed a lot of contractors performing repairs and preventive maintenance around the estate. In short this is a list of the projects which have been completed:

- Repairs to Wine Barrel at the entrance to the estate,
- Re-staining all timber posts and rails located at the BBQ entrance,
- Replaced rotted post and repainted cattle grid entrance,
- Removal of dying Grevillia's from estate entrance and corner of The Vintage and The Ironbarks (which were line of sight safety issues)
- New plantings of native grasses,
- Watering of our existing trees,
- Replanting of some existing street trees,
- The nursery has the new trees ready to plant in the amenities area,
- Community Gardens between The Grange and the rear of the main vineyard – mulched from the recently removed trees,
- Weed spraying along kerbs and guttering.



NANGARIN CLEAN UP AND COMMUNITY BBQ

Coming Soon! Watch for the special flyer. All welcome. Sausages and bread rolls provided. Bring your own drinks, chairs, etc

COMMUNITY FACILITIES BOOKING PROCEDURE TRIAL

To allow fair use of the BBQ facilities and the tennis courts, the booking system is being put into place.

If you would like to use the facilities, you will need to

Contact Wendy on 02 46772616

Wendy will record your bookings and the booking sheet will be displayed in the locked display board in the BBQ area. Wendy will update this on a weekly basis. Please let Wendy know if you require BBQ only, tennis court only or both. You will also need to let Wendy know if you need to cancel the booking.

And a reminder to all: please care for our community facilities and leave the area clean and tidy.

This system will be in place for a number of months and we would like to hear feedback on the trial.

Nangarin Wine

We can now announce that we will be obtaining a limited amount of 05' and 06' Vintages. They are due for release in a few months.

There is a limited amount of cases of previous vintages still available.

If you purchase a case of 2003 Vintage you can buy the 2004 Vintage at half price. This is a strictly limited offer

2003 vintage: \$141.90 per case

2004 vintage \$132.00 per case

Please contact Nicholas for these purchases.

It has been agreed, at the last AGM, that all Lot Owners will receive 2 x bottles of the remaining vintage as a “taste test,” if you haven’t already please contact Nicholas to arrange. The next vintage consisting of approx 60 cases only, will be purchased from community funds and sold first come first served.

Those who wish to have a case of any of the remaining wine, please contact me (Nicholas) ASAP as they are moving fast.

Contact Nicholas on 0419 649 845

NANGARIN BABY SITTING SERVICE

Nangarin now has two babysitters!

Laura with 5 years experience in baby-sitting, has a senior first aid certificate and has worked with babies as young as 6 months.

Maree with 2 years experience in babysitting and also loves children.

Our Rates are low, starting at \$5 an hour for a single child or \$8 for two, \$2 for each subsequent child or \$60 overnight.

Contact us on 02 46772616 or mobile 0415232085.

We live locally!!!

Additional Contact Details

A reminder that if you have any comments or suggestions for the Executive Committee, please feel free to document your thoughts and send them to Macarthur Strata or the Nangarin Secretary.

Details for both are below:

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Nangarin Executive Committee

Current Secretary

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As part of the ongoing process of improving communication, Macarthur Strata will acknowledge all landowner / residents written enquiries in writing. They will also advise you of the next scheduled Executive Committee meeting at which your correspondence will be tabled.