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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello dear members,

The Board and I are proud to present the 2nd edition of our quarterly newsletters. We had a fantastic response to our first edition which encourages us to continue to use this medium to share with our members all the activities and events that have occurred and are planned at the Club.

On Sunday 26 June we celebrated the Festa Di Sant Antonio. The day began with a mass delivered by Padre Giulio Ghezz and backed by the St Antonio Choir, followed by a procession where over 200 people participated.

The festivities were then officially opened by the Mayor of Blacktown, Stephen Bali with the State Member for Riverstone, Kevin Conolly. Our MC for the day, Paolo Rajo kept all entertained between the fantastic musical performances provided by Tina Petroni, Tony Mazell, Grace Rizzo, Giancarlo Nobili and the Nick Bavarelli Band.

The food was prepared by our celebrity chef, Paolo Gatto with the Porchetta rolls being the favourite item on the menu although the pasta, pizza and bbq panini were all very tasty and popular.

There were lots of activities for the children highlighted by the appearance of Lisa De Vanna and Ellie Carpenter both representing Australia at the Rio Olympics.

The day was a great success. The crowd was estimated at over 500 throughout the day and the feedback from Members and their guests was very positive. Most declaring it was the best Festa they have been to in years.

I must call out the unbelievable support we received from our band of Volunteers. They all gave up their time and worked extremely hard on the day in support of the Directors and the Club members.

Behind the reception desk was Marie and Cassandra Cocciolone with Laura & Lorenzo Fontana as well as Maria DiGiulio.

Serving behind the bar was Adam Mastrosa with assistance from Max Cimino and downstairs in the canteen was his brother Nicholas Mastrosa with Alexander Cocciolone.

Working in the busiest spot on the day, the Kitchen, supporting Paolo Gatto and his team was Valerie Cocciolone and Nadia McKenna with backup support from Talia DiGiulio and Jordan Adams. In the BBQ pit we had a great team comprising Peter Colusso, Lucas Valensise and Caroline Segabi.

Managing the two carparks, we had Peter Valensise with Christian D'Amico, and helping to sell raffle tickets was Alessia and Erica Murer.

Alex Soncini **President**

MESSAGE FROM OUR STATE MEMBER

To the President, Board and members of the CSI Sport & Recreation Club Ltd.

Last month I was delighted to accept your invitation to attend the Sant'Antonio festival, and experience the warmth and friendliness of the local Italian community. I thank you all for your hospitality, as we shared the celebration of the patron saint "Sant'Antonio da Padova" to whom many miracles have been attributed. From all accounts, the festival was a great success, with over 650 people attending.

Your President, Alex Soncini, has asked me to write a few words in this second edition of your newsletter also. So as your local State Member of Parliament, I would like to highlight two major projects that are being undertaken by the State Government in your surrounding area.

Firstly, there is the Schofields Road/South Street project, which you couldn't help but see when you visited the club. I recently inspected work on the third and final stage of the \$340 million Schofields Road upgrade between Windsor Road

and Richmond Road, which is now in full swing. The NSW Government is pushing ahead to progressively upgrade Schofields Road and South Street to four lanes, with provision for six lanes when needed, between Windsor and Richmond roads to improve capacity along this critical east-west corridor. This project is expected to be completed in mid-2018, weather permitting. For more information on road upgrades in Sydney's north-west visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects. The club is negotiating with RMS about land acquisition related to this project.

Secondly, there is the proposal to release land in the West Schofield Precinct area in which the club is located. Investigations by the Department of Planning are ongoing with the intention to eventually rezone land in the area for urban development.

Finally, I wish you all well 'Vi auguro tutti bene' as we head into the second half of the year.

Kind regards,

Kevin Conolly MP **Member for Riverstone**

FESTA DI SANT ANTONIO



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Oltre 600 persone hanno partecipato alla manifestazione in onore del Santo di Padova

Festa di S. Antonio al CSI Club

Santa messa solenne seguita dalla processione, pranzo e grande spettacolo musicale



Padre Giulio Ghezzi segna il rosario durante la processione



La processione sul campo sportivo del CSI Club

Domenica 26 giugno al CSI Club di Schofields si è tenuta la festa di S. Antonio da Padova. I festeggiamenti hanno avuto inizio con la santa messa, celebrata da padre Giulio Ghezzi, che ha tenuto l'omelia del santo ed ha elogiato gli organizzatori che promuovono questa devozione in Australia. Ha fatto seguito la

santa messa, a buffet, con gli hanno: ipulidente che ha lecolati l'labo- a fatto i, pre- di



Paolo Rajo e Alex Sancini con Ellie Carpenter e Lisa De Vanno allenatrice della Nazionale Australiana Femminili



Da sinistra: John il bassista della banda Bavarelli, Grace Rizzo, Tina bili, Raff Latella e Nick Bavarelli



CLUB REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM



The Directors have been very busy over the last few months. In preparation for the Festa Di Sant Antonio it was all hands on deck to prepare the Clubhouse and Club grounds for the Members and their guests.

Although there still is a long list of tasks that need to be completed, the Directors rolled up their sleeves and got stuck into the front garden, removed a great deal of left over construction materials strewn around the Club grounds, prepared the overflow carpark at the rear of the Bocce courts and cleaned up the interior of the Club.

We want to gratefully recognise and thank the following friends that helped with the heavy lifting.

Peter Valensise not only designed the layout of the front garden, he also organised all the materials and plants for the job. His brother Joseph Valensise was by his side on the day, assisting with the planting as well as repairs in the BBQ pit.

Alexander Cocciolone was on hand adding his strength to some of the heavier jobs and then there was Adrian Murer who rolled up his sleeves and got down and dirty but with his wit and charm, also entertained the group throughout the day.

Over the next few months, there will be many more changes to the Club. We will be focussing on much needed repairs on the ageing utilities and equipment as well as making a start of refreshing the interior of the Club.



MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

Hello everyone,

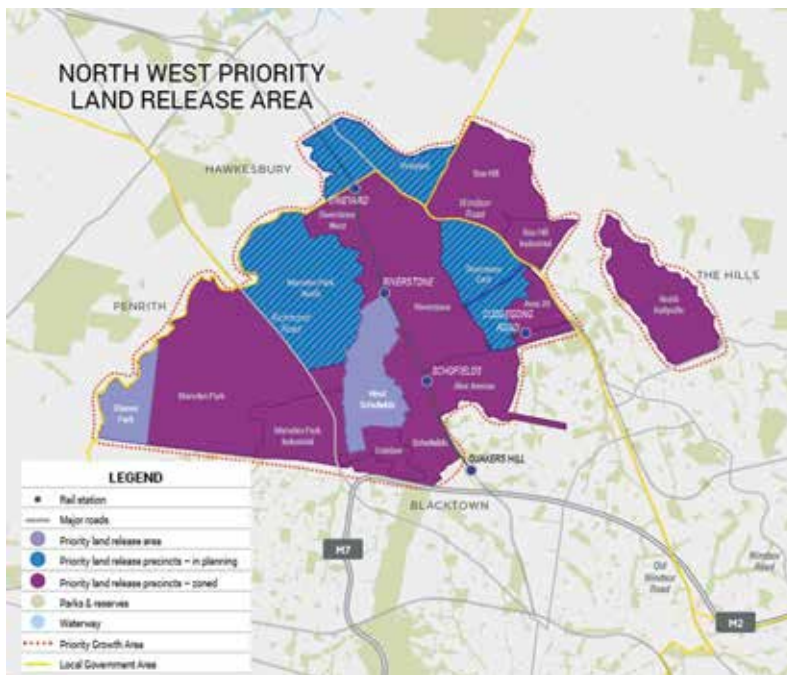
You all should have received a letter in the mail recently, explaining the changes to the Membership renewal dates. In the past all Memberships were effective from the January to December. No matter when you paid your membership. The Board have passed a resolution to change that to memberships being effective on the anniversary date of payment. This ensures all members receive a full 12 months of membership.

This has been made possible by introducing a new Membership card system.

As per the example, we must now take a photograph of the Member and update the details. The printer is now permanently on site at the Club and as your Membership expires, we will provide you with the new card.



WEST SCHOFIELD PRECINCT REZONING



We have recently contacted the Department of Planning and Environment and received the following update on the planning process for the West Schofields land release precinct.

The process now has been prioritised under the "Precinct Acceleration Protocol" due to the support of private enterprise.

The chart below shows the high level planning process and the estimated time frames.

There will be future Community consultation by the end of this year at which the Board will represent the interests of the Club and its Members. If all goes to plan, the new rezoning should be effective by around March 2017.

If you would like to research this further, go to the following website:

www.planning.nsw.gov.au/westschofieldspart



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2016 Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday **25th September** in the Club starting at 11am. As the last election for Directors was held on the 28th February 2016, there will not be new elections at this AGM. The next elections will be held in 2017.

At this meeting, the Board of Directors will present the Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30th June 2016 along with the Auditors report.

There will be a presentation to the Members of the short term plan being developed by the Board which will include a detailed Capital works program and maintenance schedule. We will be asking Members for their feedback on the proposals before finalising the plan.

There will also be an update on the negotiations with the RMS related to the construction works impact on the Club and an update on the progress of the West Schofields Precinct rezoning process.

At the completion of the Meeting, lunch will be available and the menu for the day will be catered by Fritto & Co and the cuisine will be from the Region of Calabria. More details will be sent to members.



NEW DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT



RITA MURER

As the daughter of a Foundation Member, my passion is to retain the mission of the originating founders for a facility that brings together Club members, their families and friends within the Northwest region of Sydney. I have a successful career with St George/Westpac spanning over 20 years and together with my fellow Directors, wish to continue our strong ties to our Italian heritage and culture. This is at the heart of my drive to retain the legacy of my Father and his co-founders of the CSI Club.

COMMUNITY NOTICE SPAGHETTATA...ALL WELCOME

On Sunday **21st August**, a charity event will be held at St Anthony's Church, Kings Park to raise much needed funds for the Dementia and Alzheimer's Research Foundation, Australia.

The day will begin with Mass at **11.00am** followed by lunch which includes an entree, pasta, small main, coffee and cake. **The cost is \$25 per person.**

NEW SERVICES



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BINGO IS COMING TO THE CSI CLUB...

Starting from **Sunday 11th September at 2pm**
the Club will be holding Bingo every second Sunday of the month.

There will be lots of prizes and lots of fun.

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