



Wilson Residents and Ratepayers' Association

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WRRRA represents you in Wilson by working co-operatively with:

- City of Canning
- Mason Ward Councillors
- Canning River Regional Park Community Advisory Committee
- WA Government Depts.
- Neighbourhood Watch & WA Police
- State & Federal Government Politicians
- Wilson Wetlands Action Group Inc. and other community groups
- Community Newspapers

The WRRRA Committee meets in the Wilson Community Hall on the 3rd Monday of every 2nd Month (on odd-numbered months)

The next meeting will be held on 15 November 2004 @ 7:30pm.

Members are invited to attend Committee meetings.

SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY

In preparing this editorial, I couldn't help but think about a line from the classic song "The Big Yellow Taxi"

Don't it always seem to go, that you don't know what you've got till it's gone ...

Whilst the WRRRA Committee is encouraged by the positive responses we have received regarding the South Wilson downcoding issue, the Fern Road upgrade and the CRRP path network, **we are again faced with the challenge of declining memberships**, which is posing a "real threat" to the association's future.

Similarly, local amenities such as the Bentley Library are being threatened with closure for much the same reasons.

We urge you to take time NOW to complete the enclosed membership form to join the association to help in our campaign to further improve both local amenities and lifestyle.

Membership is still only \$5 per Family (or Household).

We are also looking for community-minded residents (of all ages) to join the committee, which meets for a few hours every 2nd month. Please call Maria Valli on 9458 3041 for further details.

Perhaps also make a point of visiting the Bentley Library. For our part, the association will continue to lobby the City to ensure that all library users are properly consulted before any decision is made on the library's future.

For members without Internet Access at home, I encourage you to use the free facilities at the Library to view our website: <http://wrra.iinet.net.au>.

In conclusion, I would like to formally introduce our newest committee member, Lester Durbin (who has written two articles for this newsletter) and the new co-opted committee members: Geoff Rees and Russell Gorton.
by Max Zeller

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LOCAL AMENITY THREATENED

Bentley Library is being threatened with closure under the City's plans to replace it with a new library on the corner of Wharf and Sevenoaks Street in Cannington.

The Bentley Library is conveniently located to both Wilson and Bentley residents (particularly those without cars) and provides a ideal location for meetings, relaxation, information, research, reading and borrowing library

materials, children's story telling and access to Internet-based services.

For residents without their own transport, the new Cannington Library is simply too far away and a mobile library service is not considered a suitable alternative.

Bus services 34, 72, 170, 171, 173, 176 and 177 all stop near the Bentley Library.

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