Welcome to this spring issue of Parklands.

We have a wonderful program of activities and events to look forward to over the next few months.

Celebrating the second anniversary of Sydney 2000, we will all perhaps experience a little nostalgia as the legacy event, the Flora Sydney Marathon hugging the famous ‘blue line’, passes our door and into Fox Studios on 15 September.

We are delighted to invite you all to share our Open Day on 13 October. This is a time for us to celebrate so much of what we do together as a community.

We are proud to welcome Livid 2002 to Moore Park in October, and look forward to the return of Parklife in November.

We are privileged to have so many talented and dedicated people who are part of our consultative committees and volunteer groups working on many different projects within the Parklands. All this tremendous effort combined with the long-term planning, capital investment and asset management carried out by the Trust ensures that Centennial Parklands remains the People’s Park in Sydney both now and for future generations.

On our Open Day in October you will be brought up to date with all the developments we are involved in and the challenges they present over the next five years. Much of this is outlined in this issue of Parklands.

The Open Day will also give you the opportunity to see the Draft Conservation Management Plan which will continue to be on public display for seven weeks before its presentation to the Heritage Council and ultimately for approval by the Government.

We are well into the Park Improvement Program and in this issue of Parklands we will be detailing the challenges and opportunities this presents us. The Café Playground is well underway, major work on Randwick and Busby’s ponds begins in September, and the tree planting program will continue.

The Program is concentrating on the core values of the Parklands: improving facilities of the park environment; access and transport; leisure facilities; improved visitor information services; heritage conservation; and managing utilities and services.

I invite you to join us on Sunday October 13. It will be another opportunity for you to see what we are doing, get involved in feedback and become part of the future of the Park. All in all we are in for a very busy few months and I hope that you enjoy the spring activity in the Parklands over the following months.
The New Playground Will Be Ready for Open Day

The playground beside the Centennial Parklands Café is to have a new look and location by the Open Day on 13 October. It is currently being relocated south of the existing playground on the Parade Grounds behind the restaurant and next to the big fig tree.

Gillian Smart, Landscape Architect says, "Its new location is conveniently adjacent to the toilet block at the rear of the restaurant, and being positioned next to the large fig will mean more shade. Most importantly, being further away from Grand Drive it will offer children a safer environment to play in".

There will be some fantastic new equipment for exploration and innovative play. A shaded sandpit, state-of-the-art spinning wheel, slides and a swings feature. The current toilets will be upgraded and the existing women's toilet will be relocated to the current men's toilet so it is directly adjacent to the playground.

Not forgetting the carers, comfortable seating and a grassy sitting area has been incorporated into the playground's design overlooking the site.

An upgrade of the playground near the Learners Cycle Way is also anticipated for this season.

Forecourt Café Open and Operating

The forecourt area that sits squarely between the Centennial Parklands Café and Restaurant has recently undergone an upgrade. During June, the area was closed for building work and is now up and running with a new-look forecourt combining an extended indoor area to be shared by both the Café and Restaurant patrons, and an all access toilet and changing facility.

Cafe patrons can now choose to sit indoors during the daytime, and at night the area serves as a front-of-house reception area for functions held at the Restaurant. Previously for pre-dinner drinks at the Restaurant, tables had to be moved around for this requirement. With the Restaurant now open for evening sittings on Friday and Saturday night and available for functions on request, this area has made a tremendous difference to the flexibility of the venue.

Open Day in Centennial Parklands

Come along on Sunday, 13 October, to Centennial Parklands' open day.

The Superintendent's Residence at Paddington Gates will be the main venue for the day with staff on hand to discuss the various plans, policies and activities we are currently working on. These include the Conservation Management Plan, Traffic and Access, Ponds Restoration, Moore Park South Masterplan, the new dog policy and playgrounds.

There will be fun things for everyone with Ranger education activities, guided walks, pony rides and an Aboriginal dance activity explaining the importance of our ponds. 10am–3pm. Information call (02) 9339 6699.

Conservation Management Plan – Have Your Say

The second public consultation period of the Conservation Management Plan (CMP) is being launched as part of the Parklands' Open Day on 13 October. During this period, the Draft Plan will be placed on exhibition until 30 November at the Superintendent's Residence, the Administration Building, the Carpark, local councils and on the Parklands website www.cp.nsw.gov.au.

The aim of the CMP is to provide direction on the heritage conservation and management of the various natural, Indigenous and cultural attributes of the Parklands. Following the consideration of the public input and issues raised during this consultation period, the CMP will be endorsed by the Trust and forwarded to the Heritage Council for approval of the final plan in early 2003.

Once the Conservation Management Plan is officially approved at a Ministerial level, it will become one of the first such plans for heritage parks around the world. Furthermore, its implementation will ensure that future generations are able to enjoy the experience the Parklands' heritage represents.
**SECURING THE FUTURE**

In the winter issue of Parklands we mentioned the Park Improvement Program that the Trust was developing. The issue heralded the restoration of Busby’s and Randwick ponds and stages five and six of the ponds restoration program marks the first major investment of the 2002-2009 improvement plans. Other improvements already under-way include a new playground near the Café with accessible parking and upgraded male and female toilet amenities.

The success of stages one to four of the ponds program, which was commenced in 1997, can be seen in these photos. It indicates what we can look forward to once the Busby’s and Randwick ponds work is complete.

Key works will include reconstruction of eroded edges, creating sandy beaches to provide turtle habitats; island improvements, including removal of pest habitat; aquatic planting and stormwater inlet and outlet improvements. Silt build-ups will be removed and aquatic plants introduced.

Ultimately the main objective of this work is to create designs that are beautiful, functional and robust, in keeping with the

Parklands’ history and its natural and cultural significance.

Continual investment in the assets of the park is crucial. A strategic framework of activity in the form of a Park Improvement Program has been designed to take place over the next seven years at a cost of $50 million, much of which will be generated by the Trust with Government assistance.

There are six arms to the strategic framework for work in the future. They are designed to:

- conserve the park environment
- conserve heritage
- improve transport and access;
- improve leisure facilities
- improve utilities and service; and
- upgrade information services.

These works come under the umbrella of asset management. There is a comprehensive program of upgrades and improvements planned which have resulted from extensive consultation over the past two years. As well the Parklands will have an increase of at least 25% in maintenance works over the next four years to cover long-term catch-up maintenance. These works come under the umbrella of asset management.

Access to Grand Drive will not be affected, but there will be temporary and partial road control points during the construction period. Full details will be posted at the site once tendering for the project is complete.

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**THE PONDS WORK**

The restoration of Busby’s and Randwick ponds is the largest project in the Parklands over the coming year and there will be a lot of disruption as the work is carried out. Some inconvenience is inevitable. Here we outline what you can expect.

Randwick gates will be the dedicated access for the trucks entering the park. A temporary road to the Randwick Pond edge will pass through the equestrian ground, a small portion of which will be fenced off. For environmental and safety considerations the perimeter of the construction site will be fenced with a 1.8 metre high chain wire fence. Work will take place Monday to Friday. Mission Fields, the construction compound throughout the job, will undergo full restoration on completion.

**Hills Weeping Figs – Ficus microcarpa**

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These plants have been planted at Moore Park East this year as part of the tree planting program.

Other projects included in the program are the annual tree master plan planting; and towards the end of 2003, we will see improvements to basic amenities, such as the equestrian centre, heritage buildings and most importantly restoration and replacement of signage, stormwater drainage and lighting.

While the framework of activities ensures this rich asset will be upgraded and conserved for future generations, the implementation phase will always present certain challenges to park users. We are excited about the program and as each phase commences we will provide updates. When projects are finished, we can all enjoy the...
A Big Thank You

The year 2001 was 'The Year of the Volunteer' and marked the beginning of Centennial Parklands Volunteer Program. Coordinated by Senior Ranger Rachel Ey, the Program has proved to be a huge success with both individuals and corporations helping the Parklands grow from strength to strength.

"It is great to have companies coming into the Park, and as part of the program we hope to develop our relationship with local businesses," says Rachel. "We recently had a team from Westpac helping out with planting and litter collection. Although a cliché, many hands do make light work and the Westpac team probably achieved a week's work in a single day. As you can imagine, with 365 hectares there are now 15 highly skilled individuals enrolled on the Parklands Volunteer Program. One of their main duties is to assist at the Superintendent's Residence on Wednesdays and weekends. "Each volunteer is central to the running of this project and the progression of the Parklands as a whole," says Rachel. Their participation means that we can now offer the public a weekend information centre, as well as an exhibition space for everyone to enjoy. These results are amazing and with the development of the project, who knows what we can achieve."

Most importantly, the Volunteer Program not only benefits the Parklands, but also encourages volunteers to grow from their experience. "Volunteering can be great fun and for corporations it is an excellent form of team-building. However, what most volunteers tend to cherish is the community spirit and the satisfaction of giving something back," Rachel said.

As Volunteer Allan Kauter says, "I live close to the Parklands and have always enjoyed being a regular visitor. The reason I became a volunteer was because I wanted to become part of the Parklands and to give something back. I wanted to repay some of the enjoyment that the Parklands has given to me over the years."

A CCC Farewell and Welcome

The Centennial and Moore Park Trust would like to say farewell and a big thank you to Patricia Meagher for the dedication and commitment she brought to the table during her four years as a member of the Parklands' Community Consultative Committee (CCC). Among her successes as part of the CCC, Patricia helped to establish the highly beneficial Volunteer Program in 2001 which has enabled the exhibition space, information centre and historic Superintendent's Residence to be put on the visitor's map.

As a Horticultural Researcher for the Plant Sciences branch of the Royal Botanic Gardens, combined with her education in urban horticulture, Patricia's expertise and advice over the years have proved to be invaluable to the Parklands. In particular she has provided tremendous input to the development of the Parklands' Vegetation Management Plan for the York Road Bushland.

In Patricia's place the Trust is delighted to welcome local resident Susette Dixon. Susette is no stranger to the Trust. Her passion for dog walking in the Parklands led her to become the dog policy and dog brochure. Patricia helped to establish the Dog Policy and Dog Brochure. Dog owners' representative on the Parklands' Companion Animal Reference Group (CARG) set up by the Trust in 2001. As a member of CARG, Susette has already proved to be of great assistance in the groups' advice to the Parklands on the recently updated dog policy and dog brochure.

The Trust looks forward to Susette Dixon joining the team and benefiting from her expertise and enthusiasm in September 2002.

Waste

Stop! Think Before You Throw That Bottle Top Or Cigarette Butt!

Annually, 2000 tonnes of rubbish is removed from the Parklands which comes at both an environmental and financial cost. The Parklands receives local stormwater, so all rubbish and pollutants from the surrounding suburbs are swept into the ponds. It is possible to filter some of these contaminants with traps, but it costs $100,000 a year to remove the waste from them. On top of this $332,000 a year is spent removing general rubbish that people have discarded in the Parklands.

This spectacular parkland is one of Sydney's premier attractions. But are we being responsible with our waste?

With the introduction of the co-mingled recycling service, Centennial Parklands is working hard to eliminate gross pollutants - bottles, polystyrene cups and plastic bags.

Sadly, the things that get through into the water system can be a hazard to wildlife. Those little ring pulls often end up around the birds' necks. They cannot eat and despite rescue attempts, often die of starvation.

During the waste audit conducted recently, it was found that local businesses and residents had been dumping their waste on the periphery of the park. Please do not use the park as a dumping ground, use the co-mingled waste system, and pick up after our beloved pooches. Dog dropping bags are on many of the waste disposal units and are marked on the map in the Centennial Parklands' dog brochure. To receive a dog brochure phone: (02) 9339 6699.

To enter the competition, send your answer by 30 September us at info@cp.nsw.gov.au, fax (02) 9332 2148 or locked bag 15, Paddington, NSW 2021. The winner will be announced in the next issue of Parklands.
The Musk Duck

During spring, Centennial Parklands becomes a dynamic stage for birdlife. With a cast of thousands, there are spectacular breeding performances with young chicks making their debut. Bird enthusiast Trevor Waller of the Cumberland Bird Observers Club and Birding NSW, invites us to take a closer look at the action.

Most birds’ minds turn to breeding during spring, and the all-year resident, Musk Duck, is no exception. Usually found on deep, fresh water in southwestern and southeastern Australia, the Musk Duck is a dark, freckled, diving duck, with a stiff tail and grey triangular bill. Seldom seen flying and clumsy on land, they are like a duck to water, swimming low and diving underwater to feed on aquatic invertebrates. As territorial birds they dine alone, and will even defend their piece of water against birds much larger than themselves!

The male Musk Duck is renowned for its pendulous lobe under its bill. An integral prop to a colourful courtship display, the male raises its bill, inflates the lobe and arches its tail feathers over its back to attract the female. Holding this dramatic pose, it uses its feet to splash water sideways with a ‘plonk’ while simultaneously giving a deepgrunt and a persistent piercing whistle.

Following a successful courtship, Musk Ducks lay their eggs amongst dense and submerged clumps of reeds. They bend and trample down reeds to make a water-level platform with a shallow bowl, which they line with grass and down. Around and above the nest, they weave a domed hood to form a camouflage and engineering masterpiece.

To see Musk Ducks in the Parklands, look around Busby’s Pond, Randwick Pond and Duck Pond. If you get the chance to see the male performing his courtship display you will enjoy every minute as Musk Ducks are some of the best spring entertainers!

Trevor Waller will be guiding a Birdwatchers Breakfast at the Parklands on Sunday, 24 November. For bookings and further information call (02) 9339 6699.

The dogs are so excited to be here in the Park with Effi. They are dribbling, bounding, sniffing and running with me, she explains. They all love her, you can tell, and they are equally loved back, despite the individual quirks and sometimes revolt habits that Effi points out. She introduces Parklands to them as if going round the table of a large family. Each one has an anecdote: “That’s James the Dalmatian who is having a break from the hair salon and Soondong the Labrador is the one covered in mud. Ironically he is named after the Korean word for tranquillity. Sooty is the bionic dog with the metal-pinned leg and Barney the cuddly-bear Spoodle along with Ambrose the furry footed Springer, whose owner is walking with me, are the best double act you have ever seen.”

Working it out in dog years, Effi realises that she has been coming to the Park for over 17 years. “I used to come here when Onion was a pup, my dear old friend that has since passed away. “That’s what is so special about this Park, there are special places where I can remember my old dog friends” she says.

Effi really appreciates that Centennial Parklands is one of the few places where the authorities have recognised the importance and need for the off-leash socialisation of dogs. “In a large dog-populated area, it is a great safe area for us to walk the dogs and we are really glad that they have developed it. I have also read the new dog brochure and it is very clear and informative for all dog walkers.” But Effi is concerned that some dog owners spoil it for everybody. “It is very disheartening when each day you end up picking up for both your own dogs and other people’s.”

Effi is a member of the Dog Walkers & Professional Pet Minders Association (DAPPA Inc.) A representative of DAPPA sits on Centennial Parklands Companion Animals Reference Group. For a copy of the new dog brochure please call (02) 9339 6699.
A day in the life of...
Gillian Smart
Landscape Architect

Gillian Smart has been described as 'a creative angel that touches lives with her creative genius'. What informs the touch and the handwork of this talented artisan is the diversity of landscapes, moods, requirements and environment of Centennial Parklands. After eight years at the Parklands, some of Gillian's most well-loved projects are the Restaurant Forecourt, the egg-shaped bollards at the Robertson Road entrance, the decorative railing at the Duck Pond, and most recently, the interactive sculpture next to the Café entitled 'Hand Upon Hand'.

Designing for the Parklands is a life she loves and one where the environment is both her palette and her playground. "Designing is all about decision making, satisfying the needs of extremely diverse park users alongside functionality and cultural determinants - a constant balancing act and challenge," she says.

We are fortunate to have Gillian. Her career could have taken her in many directions after gaining a degree in Landscape Architecture.

How did you end up working with Centennial Parklands?
Throughout my career I have worked in both the private and public sector. I love working in the Parklands because I enjoy creating things that are non-exclusive and can be shared and experienced by everyone.

What elements influence how you arrive at a design?
For me a large part of the design process is about thinking. There are many aspects to design. Functionality is important - this means making the right judgements about how people will use a place and includes things like access, scale and an understanding of what makes people feel comfortable.

On a deeper level, my design often incorporates many layers, part of which is the 'storytelling' of our culture. When you lose those stories we lose our connections with the land, our past and our cultural identity. I think it is an important element of my role to maintain those connections. A bollard for example can be a modern functional object, whilst at the same time portraying a Victorian flavour.

Most importantly, design can be humorous, exuberant, thoughtful, informing and engaging.

What do you feel has been your most interesting project?
I really enjoyed working on the sculpture, 'Hand upon Hand' because of its spiritual dimension. It communicates at many different levels to all ages and cultures in society. It was also an opportunity to work alongside the contemporary poet Adam Aitken whose words encapsulated the celebration of Australian diversity.

What is your favourite aspect of the job?
I get a tremendous amount of satisfaction after a project is completed and I see people using and exploring it in the way I had envisaged. This is my own personal gauge of success.

What is your greatest achievement?
The Café Forecourt is one of my favourite projects because I really feel like the public have embraced this area and it has become intrinsic to the Parklands' cultural landscape.

Do you have a favourite area in the park?
I don't have a single favourite area, but what I love about the Parklands is the diverse areas that can suit your different moods. You can go and sit in solitude in a pine forest and smell the pine needles or you can ride around with a bunch of cyclists.

What's your favourite flower?
The flowers on the African Tulip Trees that I planted at the Café Forecourt, they have big brilliant, rich, orange flowers and when you see that colour against the blue sky, it is just spectacular.

A Sweet Smell in Time

When the Jonquils start flowering in all their scented beauty, it is a welcome sign that the cold of winter is drawing to an end and the warmth of spring is on our doorstep. Jonquils are cheerful flowers, standing proudly in their yellow and creamy coloured skirts with a perfume that can happily fill a room for days. Along with their close relative the Daffodil, Jonquils are dear to everyone's hearts and often a nostalgic reminder of a cherished memory or loved one.

To bring some nostalgia and a touch of spring to your garden this year, Senior Horticulturist Sarah Clancy has a few handy hints.

"The great thing about Jonquils is that they are very rewarding. Considering how magnificent and scented their display is, they are surprisingly low maintenance. As long as you follow a few basic points, they will continue looking glorious year after year".

Sarah says:
- Plant the Jonquil bulbs in autumn, 10-15 cms down in well-drained and preferably rich soil. If you have left it too late, buy them as potted colour at the beginning of spring.
- Water them well during their active growing period, as soon as the shoots start emerging from the ground.
- After the plant has finished flowering, feed it with a liquid fertiliser. This helps with nutrient storage for the following year's growth.
- When the leaves start dying back stop watering the plant.
- Leave the bulbs undisturbed for a couple of years and allow them to multiply. If in following years the flowering starts decreasing or the clumps become crowded, it may be time to lift and divide the bulbs.
- Lifting should take place during the autumn season. Just literally lift and divide up the bulbs into separate plants and re-plant them with plenty of space between them.
Colourful Creations

Make sure that you don’t miss the stunning annual displays in the Parklands this spring. The horticultural team has spread its magic over 21 flowerbeds leaving the Column Garden and Frog Hollow awash with colour and vibrancy.

"The patterns and colours are very exciting this season," says Senior Horticulturist Sarah Clancy. "In the Column Garden we have taken the theme of day and night and designed contrasting coloured beds of pansies. In half of the beds we have planted radiating shapes with fiery sun-reds and oranges and in the other half we have created moonbeam swirls in true blues, purples and whites. The juxtaposition of the two is very dramatic."

Down in Frog Hollow there are nine flowerbeds of annuals, which are bursting with the English Daisy, *Bellis perennis*. "Compared to the Column Garden, these beds have a much lighter Spring Meadow feel to them, but nevertheless, they are just as striking and lively with a mixed palette of red, pink and white."

The annual displays are well worth a detour from the Grand Drive circuit down through Parkes Drive, and if you are unsure of their location, pick up a map from the Centennial Parklands Cafe, the Administration Building or the Superintendent’s Residence (see the back page for directions and opening hours).

Picture This

Fancy yourself as a dab hand with shutters and exposures? If so, then enter our Photography Competition, which will be judged by professional photographer, Ian Lever.

Ian has been working as a photographer for over 35 years, with a portfolio ranging from landscape to food and portraiture to wildlife. Having spent ten of those years photographing for the Parklands, Ian has explored every patch of grass through his lens. Ian regards Centennial Park as a great playground to exercise his creativity, the fruits of which we enjoy on a regular basis in Parklands.

Over the years, Ian has continually captured the essence of the landscape and wildlife of Centennial Parklands, and it is now your opportunity to encapsulate your favourite bird, tree or ‘little bit of heaven’ in the Parklands.

The competition has a category for both adults and children. The prize for children will be a My Little Ponies activity and the prize for adults will be a guided walk. Both winners will be announced and their works published in the next edition of Parklands.

All photographs must be in print form (black and white or colour) with your name, age category, phone number and address on the back. Entries must be received by October 15 and sent to Community Relations, Centennial Parklands, Locked Bag 15, Paddington, NSW 2021. Unfortunately your photographs cannot be returned so please make a copy.

On September 22, Ian will be holding a workshop - Capturing Biodiversity, for adults to learn some of the finer points of photography, composition, lighting, mood and much else besides. All booking details can be found in the Calendar on pages 14 and 15.
Macca The Farrier

Horse sense is the thing a horse has, which keeps it from betting on people," attributed to WC Fields.

Dave McConville, known around here as "Macca", the Farrier at the Equestrian Centre, might well agree.

As this photo shows, the RAS may have moved from Centennial Parklands, but the one thing that has remained the same is the age-old art of shoeing horses.

Macca knows a thing or two about horses and horse handling. He should, in the 35 odd years since growing up with horses on a TAFE or Western Sydney Parklands, but the one thing that has remained the same is the age-old art of shoeing horses.

Macca's been here for about six experience, both with horses and various as spring.

His horsemanship is all in how he communicates with them. You work with the natural instincts of the horse and gain its trust and respect through kind, not through force. "I don't get into wars with horses. I respect them and they respect me. Let's face it, there is 500kg of it and 80kg of me - you can't win".

Macca lives in Maroubra with his wife Sharon, who is also mad about horses, and they keep their steeds at Malabar. On weekends they try to get out of the city and go to horse shows, rodeos and eventing. "You have to get out of the city. It helps keep you sane".

Macca recalls the last show they went to at Como when they had trouble getting away. "Someone was having trouble loading their horse and they heard I was around. I helped load it pretty quickly then someone else saw what I had done and asked if I would help them. This went on for three hours, with all sorts of people asking me to help them. "When we were leaving, Sharon said, 'that's it. Next time we go to a show, I am dressing you in a rock and roll t-shirt and shorts and you can walk around with a stuffed dog under your arms. Then we can get away on time.'" His face lights up with a wide smile and he laughs.

If you want to catch him at work, just pop into the Equestrian Centre and look out for the man in the ten-gallon hat. That'll be Macca!

Grilled Baby Octopus Salad
with butter beans, asparagus & cherry tomatoes

With the evenings getting lighter, the days getting warmer and the spring babies being born, Centennial Parklands is the ideal place for enjoying spring. Whether it's lunch, afternoon tea, or dinner, Centennial Parklands Restaurant provides the perfect window onto this changeable spring vista.

This season, Executive Chef David Noonan has once again demonstrated his talents, with a menu that is as appetising, light and various as spring. Try this one for starters...

**Ingredients**

(Makes 4 portions)

- 500 gr. baby octopus
- 2 cloves of crushed garlic
- 1 sprig of rosemary picked and chopped
- 25 ml of olive oil
- 4 chillies seeded and finely chopped

**Vegetables**

- 4 x 6 asparagus spears
- 4 x 12 butter beans
- 4 x 12 cherry tomatoes
- 4 x 12 rocket leaves

**Dressing**

- 25 ml balsamic vinegar
- 75 ml extra virgin olive oil

**Method**

Combine the octopus marinade ingredients. Clean the baby octopus and marinade it for 30 minutes.

Trim the asparagus spears using only the top 10 cm of the spear and blanch in boiling water until just cooked. Cook the asparagus under cold water and drain on a paper towel.

Cut the top and bottom of the butter beans. Cook in boiling water then refresh in cold water and drain on a paper towel.

Season the cherry tomatoes with salt, pepper and olive oil. Place them in a really hot pan and blanch them for 30 seconds. Allow to cool in the pan.

Wash and prepare the rocket leaves.

Mix together the balsamic vinegar and olive oil to make a dressing.

Finally, grill the octopus on the barbecue or grill on top with vegetables and rocket leaves with the dressing drizzled over the top.

To make a reservation at Centennial Parklands Restaurant phone (02) 9380 3355.
14/9 EMERGE FUN RUN 2002

Emere Fun Run 2002 "creating jobs, for a better future", kicks off our packed calendar for the season on Saturday, 14 September.

For the past few years, Hillsong and Shire Christian Centre churches have raised money for hurting families in East Timor.

This year, the money raised will go to our own local community, by expanding Emerge's Micro Enterprise assistance programs throughout Sydney, particularly aimed at low income Indigenous communities in suburbs like Rutilum, Waterloo and Sutherland.

We are expecting 1,000 participants on the day. Registration begins at 9.30am and the Fun Run starts at 10.30am.

Phone (02) 9578 3633 or visit www.emergerunrun.com for details.

6/10 PARKLIFE 4

The lure and romance of this picturesque location is once again the major drawcard for Parklife 4, the dance event of the year.

For the first time, on Sunday, 6 October between 1.00pm and 9.00pm, Parklife will have two stages and will feature a line up of top national and international DJs headlining Mark Farina.

The magazine, Revolver said of Parklife 4 "Sunshine, sexy bods and Centennial Park, Parklife was a match made in heaven!" Says it all! So line up for Parklife 4.

For further information contact Fuzzy Marketing on (02) 9267 5510 or visit www.fuzzy.com.au.

20/10 WALK TO CURE DIABETES

The park will be full of entertainment on Sunday, 20 October when the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation conducts its annual fundraiser, Walk to Cure Diabetes. There will be stage entertainment, food and drink and much more. Diabetes affects over 100,000 Australians and carries a constant threat of devastating complications.

Bring your work mates, families and friends. Kick off from the Brazilian Fields at Centennial Park and follow the spectacular 5km circuit. Registrations for the event begin at 8.30am and the walk starts at 10am. Register through the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation on (02) 9960 0400 or visit www.jdrf.org.au.

13/11 2002 JPMORGAN CHASE CORPORATE CHALLENGE®

The competition will be hot when employees of corporations, businesses and financial institutions battle it out in this spectacular team event, the 2002 JPMorgan Chase Corporate Challenge® on Wednesday, 13 November at 6.30pm in Centennial Park. This event is part of a worldwide series of 17 races staged across four countries that make up the JPMorgan Chase Corporate Challenge® Series. In 2001, the Series attracted a record 220,020 entries worldwide, an average of over 11,000 per event.

For further information or to request an entry pack, please call (02) 9439 6060 / 1800 100 039 or visit www.jpmorganchase.com.
Friends of the Parklands

FRIENDS - APPLICATION FORM

If you love Centennial Parklands, strengthen that relationship by becoming a Friend. Join Friends and contribute to the preservation of the precious Parklands of Centennial, Moore and Queens Parks. It's a practical way of making a difference. Friends of Centennial Parklands enjoy the benefit of being closely associated with Sydney's favourite Parklands as well as:

- 10% discount at Centennial Parklands Restaurant and Café
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- Quality keyring and membership certificate
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- Exclusive Friends events including the annual Christmas party.

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Paddington NSW 2021
Phone: (02) 9339 6699
Fax: (02) 9332 2148

Bound in History

As 'Friends of Centennial Parklands', we gather in our hats and comfy shoes on a glorious June day, to hunt down some of the Parklands most unique and historical sites. History enthusiast and former Trustee, and Chair of the Parklands’ Community Consultative Committee, Philip Black leads us on a fascinating journey through the Parklands ending in the unveiling of one of the nine original stones that marked the boundary of Sydney in the 1850s.

Starting on the lawn of the picturesque Superintendent’s Residence, Philip greets us with a potluck of the Parklands and an overview of the 1892 colonial-style Residence. Sweeping down to Parkes Drive, Philip conjures up a vision of the late 1800s when 31 statues stood proudly in his Victorian-style park. Our late 1800s when 31 statues stood for Over 30 years. Our next stop is the Parklands’ most contemporary heritage feature, Federation Way, with its eight-metre gate standing at the helm. Constructed for the Centenary of Federation, the Way completes history in its reinstatement of the ceremonial drive that was planned and initiated but never completed back in 1887. For our penultimate stop we wander into the grounds of the sandstone Randwick Toll Gate House built in 1860. It is here that we learn that as a city we have been paying road tolls since 1863!

With some feet, from the now not so comfy shoes, we arrive on the corner of Cleveland Street and South Dowling Street for well-earned refreshments and the unveiling of the Boundary Stone. Philip Black’s speech reveals that the Stone is the oldest heritage feature in the Parklands, dating from 1833, only 45 years after British settlement. Having spent most of the 20th Century in a misplaced location, the stone has now been placed to where it was originally set on orders from NSW Governor, Major-General Richard Bourke. On this day, we look on as Phillip Black unveils the Boundary Stone and unfurls a new chapter of history in the Parklands.

Philip Black's heritage walk is now available as a fact sheet and self-guided walk. Phone (02) 9339 6699 for more information.

NEW FRIENDS

As an acknowledgement of their support, we welcome the following new Friends of Centennial Parklands:

Mr Darcy William Clancy
Mr Sam Malouf
Mr Max & Mrs Kate Koch
Mrs Liana Woodward
Ms Sarah Booth
Ms Fiona Morrison
Mr Raymond Robinson
Mrs Angela Spanos
Mr Chris Alefantis

Go Creature Crazy in the Parklands

Whether they have two, four or six legs, with scales, feathers or fur, the chances are the Education Rangers have met them, and are about to introduce us to them in the School Holidays. Full of animal magic, the spring Escape and Explore Program brings the animal world to life, with a miscellany of music, dance, craft and close encounters.

Centennial Parklands’ Senior Ranger, Rachel Ely, believes this program is the most exciting ever. "Besides our ranger-led educational activities, we are fortunate to have a number of high profile educational performers and animal experts joining us," she says. "We have the Yidaki Didg & Dance performers looking at native animals through Aboriginal music and dance and the Puppeteers’ creative animal Puppet Making Workshops. Once again Anthony Stimson will return with his furry friends for the well-loved Australian Wildlife Show, and for the first time, Anthony’s Rupit in Reptiles will give children a slippery experience they will never forget!"

The ranger-led activities this season will encourage children to take a closer look at animals and see them as part of a greater environmental picture. In Birds Bats and Bugs 5-8 year olds will peek into the animal kingdom and build them some new homes.

Notable on the program is an activity for all the family. As Rachel says, "Realising the pressures of busy families today, we have designed Wildlife Wanderers, with a self-guided kit that allows families to explore the Parklands’ wildlife at a time when they can all be together!"

Children’s activities are available all season and the Escape and Explore Holiday Program runs September 28th - October 13th. Bookings are essential (02) 9339 6699.

A Spectacular Supper

It's creeping towards Halloween again, so when mortals go underground and immortals rise from six feet under Why not dare to stay above ground this year and share your table with an array of ghosts and goblins at the Friends of Centennial Parklands Halloween Dinner. Having become an annual favourite, Centennial Parklands Restaurant is now the master of playing the Halloween Dinner fest for all the family. On Thursday, 31 October, the restaurant will open its doors to a ghoulish world with spooky, snack-led games, a spoon-frighting prize draw and the most frighteningly delicious menu. A menu to die for, that will suit both big and small monster's appetites.

Children can devour a ‘plate of worms and blood sauce’, wrestle with ‘spooky chicken with witches’ fingers’ and gaze at a ‘sea monster plate with Jolly Roger’ and the Frenemy, with some ‘fingers’ and gnaw at a ‘sea monster plate with Jolly Roger’ and the Frenemy. As for adults, there are certainly more treats than tricks in store.

Dine to be there

5.30-7pm

(Dinner 5.30-7pm, Gore Gardens 7-8pm)

Children: 2 Courses: $20
Adults: 2 Courses: $40
3 Courses: $50

Bring a torch and dress to scare Friends of Centennial Parklands receive a 10% discount on presenting their membership card.

All prices include GST and activities.

Call the Centennial Parklands Restaurant on (02) 9330 3335 to make a reservation. Pack your own snacks are available at the Restaurant, entry via Paddington Gates.
SPRING ESCAPE AND EXPLORE HOLIDAY PROGRAM 28 SEP - 13 OCT ALL HOLIDAYS HEAD OVER TO CENTENNIAL PARKLANDS Discover Centennial Park these school holidays with the family. Pick up a self-guided map and Wildlife Wanderer Kit from the Rangers and follow the clues to find out about the Park’s animal life. Try your hand at identifying some of the Park’s minibeasts. Rangers and Parkland’s Equestrian Centre offer a free, informal information evening, where you can discuss this holiday by learning tennis and get a chance to create your very own puppet friends and enjoy some puppet activities. The Livid Festival is Australia’s largest and longest running gay sports and leisure festival. This year’s festival will open its doors to a ghoulish world featuring some of the most spine-tingling prize draws and the most delicious food and drink stands. The only place where kids can jump over 20,000 big air and land safely. Meet Equestrian Centre Gates, cnr Oxford Street & Musgrave Avenue Gates. Bookings essential (02) 9360 3355.

TEA CUP TRICK OR TREAT Enjoy a day in the park and meet our staff to discuss the various plants, policies and activities we are currently working on. This includes the Conservation Management Plan, Traffic and Access, Ponds Restoration, Moors Park South Masterplan, the new dog policy and playgrounds. There will be fun things for everyone with Ranger education activities, guided walks, pony rides and an Aboriginal dance activity explaining the importance of our ponds. Superintendent’s Residence. 10am-3pm. Information phone (02) 9339 6699.

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11 Saturday AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE SHOW Get really close to live Australian animals such as possums and birds during this amazing show with wildlife expert Anthony Storie. Adult ages: 11am-11am. $8 per child. Meet Superintendent’s Residence. Paddington Gates, cnr Oxford Street and Musgrave Avenue. Bookings essential (02) 9339 6699.

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10 Wednesday THE KATE TO CURSE BIKES A trip in the right direction and help awareness of Diabetes, program to help support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Starting at Anyonahouse, up to 10,000 people will walk a pictureque 5km circuit. Raffles, live music, food and drink stalls. 8am-5pm. Information phone (02) 9666 0400 or www.jdrf.org.au.

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