

WARVRA Newsletter


WARVRA

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

10 July 2020

Since we last met, COVID 19 has dominated all activities. I have been very involved with the Retirement Living Council, along with other state and territory presidents. In regular meetings we discussed the measures taken by village managers and operators to protect residents from COVID 19 infection. There was concern expressed by the RLC that retirement villages were rarely mentioned in Health Department briefings, even though village residents are considered to be among the most vulnerable people in the COVID 19 epidemic. Concern was also expressed in the lack of direction which was provided to village managers in the event of one or more residents in a village contracting the virus. The measures taken to protect village residents in Western Australia seem to have been reasonable and well received by residents as there were no complaints about the restrictions placed on residents to isolate; a few comments about the loss of the use of facilities have been noted. Regular bi-monthly meetings with the Retirement Living Council are planned for the future.

The advice provided by WARVRA regarding budget meetings was also well received and it appears that many operators found the WARVRA advice on Budgets in "virus time" very useful. To my knowledge, there was only one problem with the budget process and that has been addressed by Consumer Protection.

The Executive and Council have been working on the proposed changes to the Constitution focusing on Section 10 dealing with Council membership.

These proposals are:

- To elect the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and three Council members at the AGM and to allow the Council to invite three additional members with

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'Has your Village advised WARVRA of your President, Secretary and WARVRA rep?'

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 Secretary, WARVRA

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Ron Chamberlain, President

Until the Premier announces Phase 5 of the WA COVID-19 Roadmap, it is not possible to make arrangements for a WARVRA General Meeting. Resumption of meetings will be advised with as much notice as possible

special skills and abilities to become Council members to assist the Council in its work. (Section 10.1 of the Constitution)

- Ensuring that a nomination form is seconded by a person who is not a relative or member of the same household.
- To prevent members who are owners, directors or officers involved in the management of a retirement village/s from becoming a member of the WARVRA Council.

Members will receive formal notification of the proposed changes to the Constitution prior to the General Meeting once the Premier has announced phase 5 of the COVID-19 roadmap and a meeting booking can be arranged. Notice will be provided.

We plan to conduct some training seminars in the second half of the year but with restrictions on meetings and the roundtable discussions which will be taking place, it is impossible to give an exact date when these will take place. An expression of interest form will be on the WARVRA web site very soon and those interested can respond and be contacted by email as to the date, topics and location.

WARVRA Council Directory

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Regional Committees Directory

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Colin Edwards	Convener (Peel)	9535 6005	0427 247 514	
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Legislation & Advocacy Report

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CRIS 3 was released in mid-June with the closing date for submissions the 30th September.

The WARVRA web site has links to the document on the Consumer Protection web site.

We have since been informed that WARVRA will participate in a roundtable process with Village Operators and Consumer Protection in discussions about the economic matters which may impact on development of villages. This is primarily because the Government wants to encourage development as vital to the exit from the COVID-19 downturn in the economy.

Matters which are to be considered are:

- The removal or part removal of memorials
- Time limits on entitlements especially in relation to residents moving into Aged Care Facilities
- Resident approval of village budgets
- Capital works and maintenance
- Unit refurbishment after resident exit

These discussions are to be carried out between August and November with decisions by the Government due by December.

WARVRA has four representatives, as do the Village Operators. The WARVRA representatives are Eugene Browne, Des Cousins, David Street and myself.

Ron Chamberlain, Chair

Treasurer's Report

END OF SECOND QUARTER - 30th JUNE, 2020

	Year to date \$
Opening Balance 1 Jan 2020	13,960.71
Receipts	
Village Membership	18,262.00
Individual Memberships	970.00
Associates Family	250.00
Associates Management	440.00
Bank Interest	8.52
Donations	15.00
Received by mistake	1,650.00
Total receipts	21,595.52
Expenditure	
Software for newsletter	150.00
Legal expenses	990.00
IT Services	612.98
Postage	60.70
Transperth train & parking	30.05
Morning Tea supplies	52.00
Meeting expenses	36.40
Telephone	90.80
Auditor	50.00
Flights to meetings	455.23
Refund amount received by mistake	1,650.00
Insurance	637.26
Total expenses	4,815.42
Cash Book Balance at 30/06/2020	30,740.81
Bank Reconciliation at 30/06/2020	30,740.81
Total Funds ANZ Bank account	30,740.81
Plus Westpac Business Cash Reserve	2,828.30
Plus Term Deposit Investments	47,287.49
Total Funds as at 30/06/2020	80,856.60