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### LORD MAYOR at 'PICNIC RALLY'

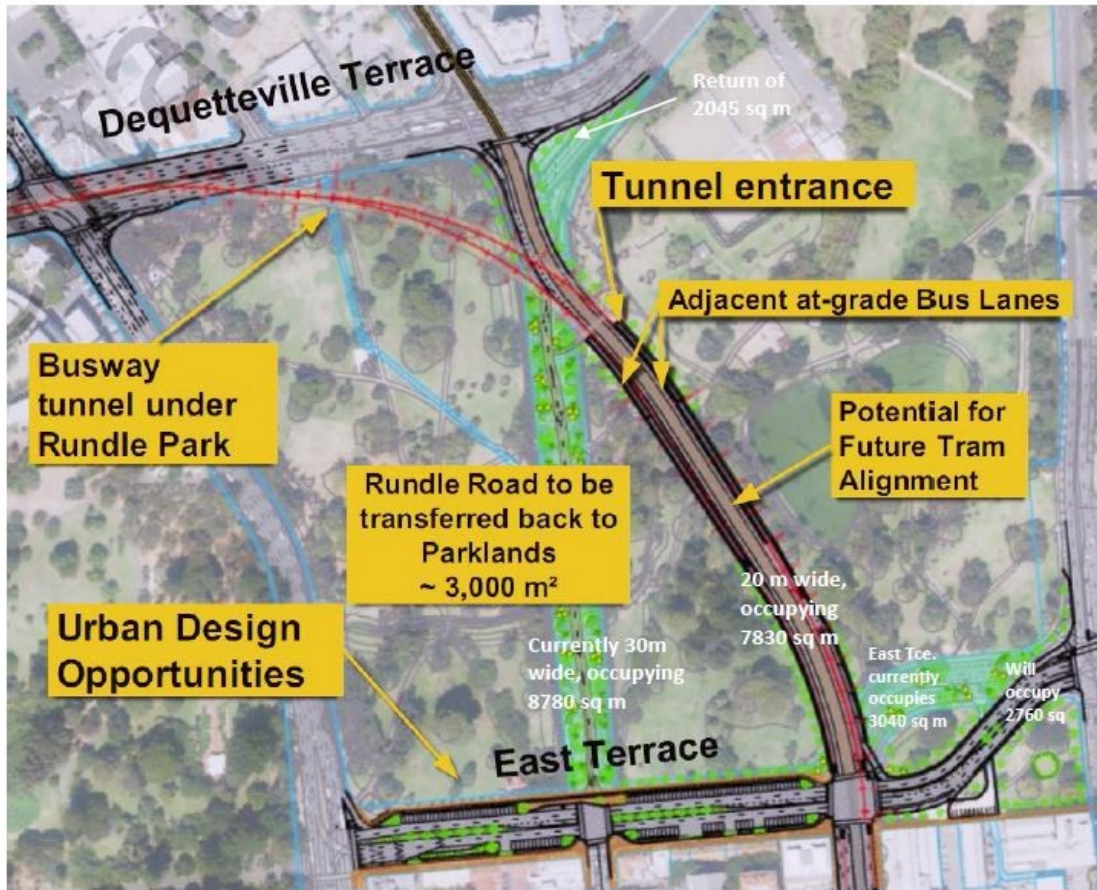
Adelaide Lord Mayor, Martin Haese, has confirmed he will attend the 'Save Rymill Park Picnic Rally' on Sunday 31 May.

The *Save Rymill Park Picnic Rally* is a joint initiative of the:

- Adelaide Park Lands Preservation Association,
- Burnside Residents Group,
- Hackney & College Park Residents Group,
- National Trust (Adelaide & Inner Suburbs Branch),
- Norwood Residents Association;
- Preserve Kent Town Association;
- Prospect Residents Association;
- 'Save Adelaide's Rymill Park',
- South East City Residents Association; and
- 'Visions for Adelaide'.

On Sunday 31 May, come & show your support. Bring your own picnic lunch, or enjoy a Lions Club sausage sizzle, or Arnie's Rymill Park kiosk. Listen to live music, meet friends, & learn from our keynote speakers, including the Lord Mayor and Senator Nick

People have asked why APPA opposes the Government's proposed O-Bahn-highway road through Rymill Park when it "returns 3,000 square metres of parklands to the community". The answer is that these 3,000 square metres are being held hostage. The land could be returned at any time, by narrowing Rundle Rd and by removing an over-generous slip-lane from Dequetteville Tce into Rundle Rd. APPA has called on the State Government to return the identified land to Park Lands - and THEN talk about whether or not a highway should be built through Rymill Park.



**EGYPT is SELLING OFF the PYRAMIDS!**

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After months in preparation, APPA's YouTube Video has now been released. The artist, Greg Holfield and producer Shane McNeil worked tirelessly to get this ready for APPA's AGM.



#### THE FUTURE OF THE PARK LANDS

Does this look like a "Square" to you?

The Adelaide City Council is inviting YOUR suggestions on how to manage the Park Lands.

Community engagement on the future of the Park Lands is open until 30 June 2015 and the ideas generated will directly inform the new Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy.

APPA has suggested that Hindmarsh Square and Hurtle Square should be turned into actual "squares".

If you agree or have other suggestions, make sure you put them to the City Council by 30 June.  
<http://adelaideparklands.com.au/>



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members

We had an exciting AGM on Sunday 19 April!  
Hard to imagine "AGM" and "Excitement" But it was.

- We all but filled the chairs in the Don Pyatt Hall with members visitors and guests.
- We saw the preview of the new Video quirky but brilliant aimed at a younger set of potential supporters. Universally praised.
- We had the vigour of this approach promoted by dynamic Secretary Shane Sody.
- We had an excellent presentation by Stephanie Johnston on World Heritage Listing of the Park Lands.

All the 2014-15 Committee members seeking re-election were returned. However, APPA regrettably accepted the resignation of long serving and worthy APPA warrior Brian Mitchell due to ill health. His accolade for exceptional service was supported with loud acclamation.

We welcomed new Treasurer Graham Pratt. The Treasurer's position became vacant as Nigel Mitchell felt he could not continue as he is a major carer of dad Brian. Thanks Nigel for your contribution we understand and support your sense of priorities. Sarah Gilfillan was elected to fill the committee vacancy. Wider thanks to many for work and help through the year.

The mood of the AGM was euphoric but realistic, (presidents poetic licence at play here but true nonetheless). **Ian Gilfillan**

### BILLIONAIRE LAND HAND-OVER



Festival Plaza

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The plan appears to go like this... Bury Parliament House behind a skyscraper and hand over the best bit of real estate in the city to a man who already has a billion dollars

As well as a skyscraper & separate two-level food court plus stores, there'll be a car park with 1,560 spaces - the biggest in Adelaide.

APPA vice-president Damien Mugavin was one of the experts consulted in this hard-hitting story by Channel Seven's Today Tonight

<http://www.todaytonightadelaide.com.au/stories/festival-plaza>

**PUBLIC WELCOME ON 'UNIVERSITY' PARK LANDS**

A small victory! After much more than a year of effort, pushing and shoving by APPA Member Stephan Mavrakis and others, the Adelaide University has finally acknowledged, publicly, that it does not have authority to stop the public using the 'University' playing fields in the Park Lands.

In early May 2015, the old University Park Lands signs (left) were replaced with much more appropriate ones (right). The new ones make it much clearer that the public is not to be thrown out of the park, for playing there when the University is not using the facilities.



**Before and after.** The new sign on the right finally acknowledges that "General community access is permitted when the playing fields are not being used by the University."



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### PHOTOS OF THE DAY

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From the top:

- a) Botanic Park, Tainmuntilla (Park 11) - the photo is by Alex Frayne from his hauntingly beautiful book "Adelaide Noir" <http://www.wakefieldpress.com.au/product.php?productid=1194>
- b) Amazonian water lily, Adelaide Botanic Gardens, Tainmuntilla (Park 11) - contributed by Franca Lombardi
- c) Kingston Gardens, Wirraninthe (Park 23) off West Tce
- d) Karrowirra (Park 12), King William Rd - published as the 'Photo of the Day' on Anzac Day
- e) Veale Gardens, Walyu Yarta (Park 21)



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