

CAULFIELD RACECOURSE RESERVE

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Friday 10 September, 2004

Mr A J E Campbell
President
Glen Eira Residents Association Inc.
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Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter dated 10 August, 2004 regarding the use of the internal reserve of the Caulfield Racecourse for a community sportsground facility.

This matter has been discussed extensively with the Chairman of the Trustees Mr. P. B. Lawrence and the following is submitted for your information.

As you are aware the scope of the landscaping and other associated works as detailed in the Caulfield Racecourse Master Plan were extensive and would take a three to four year time frame to come to fruition.

The works which have recently been completed include the creation of a second storage lake, wet land environments, screening mounds, trotting track and infield.

These works, in particular the open grassed areas, grassed screening mounds, secondary lake surrounds and wetlands will take considerable time to consolidate before they can be fully utilized.

In addition the Melbourne Racing Club will be performing further works in the next twelve months which include wetlands planting and an interlake system to move water between the two lakes.

Future works as detailed in the Master Plan are, hedge planting with wire frame topiary, relocation of parrel hurdles and innermost training track, extension of existing lake and island system and construction of a new lake edge promenade.

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As the works comprising the Caulfield Racecourse Master Plan are at this stage far from complete it is proposed that the Trustees review the progress to date at their annual meeting in March next year.

Following this review the Trustees will be in a position to consider and assess the future usages of the infield area.

The Chairman therefore believes that your request for the Trustees to consider the use of the internal reserve for a community sportsground facility is premature but he has agreed that it will be addressed at the annual meeting in March.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M. J. Cleaver". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

M. J. Cleaver
Secretary