**Vicki’s Voice Box**

I hope you enjoy our new format newsletter – now in both paper and electronic form. In a bid to broaden our membership and encourage more of you to join the Group we aim to make the newsletter more engaging and offer different and rewarding ways to participate in our unique community. Hannah Sun and Sam East have volunteered as new editors and are looking forward to your feedback and ideas so that the newsletter can keep evolving.

To complement the new editorial direction it is time to find a suitable name for the newsletter, so, reflect on what Cremorne means to you, read the competition info below and enter to win a prize!

The Cremorne Community Group relies on your support in a number of ways; you are always there when we throw a party. The Long Table Lunch in October is now a fixture of the Cremorne calendar, as is our Summer Solstice celebration with Father Christmas, kid’s present giving and tree decorating.

However, I am sure that we can do much more with your input and support. Our membership fee of $5 a year funds the newsletter but not much more than that. The events that we run are funded by small community grants and a lot of hard work by very few, so we would really like some new Cremornians to help us out.

As we are a community group our meetings are open for all residents in Cremorne. Our objectives are very broad and can take on board issues of concern to the community as well as what we currently do by holding events, promoting local businesses and other local community organisations. This is currently done through our website and keeping you informed of local doings through the newsletter. And soon Facebook will be a welcome edition!

So, please help us continue to play a useful role in the community by becoming a member, letting us know how you can help, or simply let us know about any issues or activities of interest to the community.

Now for a little forward planning. This year is the 55th anniversary of the proclamation of Cremorne as a town, and the CCG would like to hold a photo exhibition, including a ‘Then and now’ section. Should you be interested in helping to organise this activity please email the group on ccg@cremorne.com.au so that we can start planning this event to coincide with the Long Table Lunch in October.

See you around our lovely Cremorne traps!

**Vicki Pearce**

**President**