

DON VALE
CABBAGETOWN
Residents Association

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Winchester Kitchen & Bar
Tuesday May 29th, 2012 – 7:00 pm

AGENDA

- 1.0 Business of the Meeting**
- a) Call meeting to order
 - b) Minutes from 2011 AGM
 - c) Presentation of 2011 financial statements and Treasurer's Report
 - d) Election of directors
 - e) Chairman's Report
 - e) Any other business to be conducted
 - f) Conclusion of the formal portion of the meeting
- 2.0 DVCRA Presentations**
- a) Canopy Committee
 - b) Home Improvement Committee
 - c) Forsythia Festival
 - d) Schools
 - e) Safety & Security
- 3.0 Questions & Answers**
- 4.0 Wine Tasting**

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Ballot

FOR the election as directors of the Don Value Cabbagetown Residents Association of the person listed below:

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Principal Occupation</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Lindsay Whitfield	Primary School Teacher	2014
Trish Finkelstein	Lawyer	2014
Lynn Dionne	Quality Improvement Consultant	2014
Lee Matheson	Securities Analyst	2014

Continuing directors

Rod Carr Harris	Commercial Real Estate Consultant	2013
John Simpson	Lawyer	2013
Steve de Blois	Web Consultant	2013
Carolyn Shaw Rimmington	Public Affairs Manager	2013
Maureen Penno (ex-officio director)	Cabbagetown Resident since 1933 DVCRA Historian	2013

Lindsay Whitfield
Secretary
Don Vale Cabbagetown Residents Association

Dear Neighbour,

The Don Vale Cabbagetown Residents Association (DVCRA) was originally founded in 1967 to represent the interests of local homeowners. After a long period of dormancy the association was re-constituted in 2004 and has been growing ever since. Presently the association has roughly 500 homeowner and renter members. The nine-member volunteer Board of Directors meets at least monthly to discuss issues of importance to Cabbagetown residents. Each board member holds either a Portfolio or Executive position. While much of the work the DVCRA does is "behind the scenes" such as liaising with our Councillor Pam McConnell, making deputations at City Council meetings, and answering questions from members, we have made a significant push to expand the scale and scope of the Portfolios that are overseen by the Board. This has led to many of our activities becoming more visible in the community.

Here are some recent examples of what your residents association has been up to:

- The Canopy Committee organized a highly successful Tree Tour through Cabbagetown in October. Later this spring, volunteers will be dropping off information for local residents about free tree planting services available through the City of Toronto. <http://cabbagetowner.com/focus/canopy/>
- In October the Home Improvement Committee solicited input from members regarding recommendations for tradespeople and service providers and compiled the responses on our website to help neighbours source highly regarded workers. <http://cabbagetowner.com/focus/home-improvement-committee/>
- Based on answers to a May 2011 survey, the Schools Committee hosted information sessions for parents about local schools, made deputations to the Toronto District School Board and hosted an Open House at Sprucecourt Public School. <http://cabbagetowner.com/focus/schools/>
- In September 2011, during the Cabbagetown Festival, the Art Around the Park Committee hosted a successful fundraiser and gave back to the community by offering free face painting, caricatures, balloon animals and cotton candy. Watch for our involvement at this year's Forsythia Festival on May 6th 2012.

We hope that you decide to join (or renew your membership in) the Don Vale Cabbagetown Residents Association. Benefits of membership include being on our distribution list to receive email about community affairs, members only events, easy access to City of Toronto information and knowing that you are supporting a hard-working volunteer organization that is benefitting your community in tangible ways.

We are always looking for enthusiastic volunteers for our committees, or if there are areas you are passionate about, we welcome new ideas as well.

We encourage you to come to our Annual General Meeting to meet neighbours, socialize and learn more about our activities. This year, our AGM will be on May 29th at 7:00pm and will be a wine

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tasting hosted at the Winchester Kitchen (51 Winchester Street). It will be a very non-traditional AGM, we hope you will join us!

Please watch our website at www.cabbagetowner.com for more information. You can always email us at info@cabbagetowner.com. A real person who lives over on Metcalfe will write you back!

See you around the neighbourhood,

Lee Matheson
President