



**FRIENDS OF SCOTCHMANS CREEK  
AND VALLEY RESERVE INC.**

Incorporation No. A0037872K

**Notice to all members**

**Annual General Meeting – Notes to Item 1 Special Resolution – Proposed new Rules**

Earlier this year the Australian Taxation Office notified all Not for Profit Organisations that *“From the 2023-24 income year, non-charitable NFPs with an active ABN are required to lodge an annual NFP self-review return to self-assess income tax exemption under one of eight categories.”*

Your committee does not believe that our Organisation will be able to be classified as Tax Exempt under the rules of the ATO.

Consequently, we have decided that the Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc, should apply to the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) to become a charity and to claim tax exemption as a charity.

As a result of our intention to seek membership of the ACNC the Committee of the Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc. has determined that our Association should adopt a revised set of Rules of Association that include the required clauses that will qualify us as a Not For Profit and a Charity.

The Committee has developed the attached document for your attention:

*Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc. – Rules of Association – October 2024 (Proposed).*

**Comment by the Committee:** The Committee unanimously believes that adopting the proposed, revised set of Rules of Association is in the best interests of all members.

I encourage you to consider this document prior to the Annual General Meeting and to contact myself or any other member of the Committee if you have any queries about the document.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on Wednesday 16th October, 2024 at Alvie Hall, 314 High Street Road, Mount Waverley, Victoria when the first item of business will be a Special Resolution to consider this document and to vote on accepting this document.

The Committee hopes that you will be able to attend this important meeting.

Sally Walker

President

Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc.

19 September, 2024.