## Say no to Bracks's and his Sydney developer mate's plans for the Kew Cottages site

## PRINCESS STREET STRAFFIC Chaos

Rally at the Wills Street/Princess Street roundabout on:
Saturday
15<sup>th</sup> October 2005
11.30 to 12.30 a.m.

Wear red, and help to reduce Princess Street to a single lane of traffic by parking your car between the roundabout and Kew Junction.

## Bracks Ignores Kew Traffic 2001 -

**May 2001.** Premier Bracks personally announces plans to build *up to 250 houses* in a new development at Kew Cottages. Kew residents immediately express concern about major traffic problems that such a large development will cause.

August 2003 Boroondara Council agrees with residents concerns, and identifies the need to "investigate the Princess/Wills Street roundabout as it is dangerous and needs to be addressed.";

October 2003. The Bracks Government decides within weeks to ignore Boroondara Council's concerns about Road Safety. The Government approves major road access for the new development at the Princess/Wills Street roundabout.

**February – June 2004.** Kew Cottages Coalition, and Kew resident Louise Godwin, nominate the Cottages for State Heritage listing. The Coalition also propose restoring the historic stone and wrought iron Gateway that originally stood on Princess Street at the entrance to the Cottages' Main Drive.

November 2004. The Victorian Heritage Council accepts the nominations, and as a consequence the Cottages becomes Boroondara's largest State Registered Heritage site.

June 2005. The Bracks Government doubles the number of planned dwellings, and announces that the Sydney based Walker Corporation is its 'preferred developer' to build 520 units and houses in the State Heritage listed grounds of Kew Cottages. No explanation is provided as to how the extra traffic is to be accommodated. However, the Sydney developer's plans presented to Boroondara Council double the number of proposed dwellings yet again! "Subject to demand", Walker Corporation says it proposes to build up to 1100 dwellings.

**July 2005**. Boroondara Council seeks an injunction from VCAT to prevent the Minister making a decision on the Walker Development Plan.