

Knox Inter-faith Network: Overview and Future Activities

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The Knox Inter-faith Network was **established** formally under a constitution approved in October 2002.

(Find more on **our history** at <http://www.knoxinterfaith.org.au/history.htm>)

We **aim** to encourage better understanding of religious communities in Knox, so that these communities can co-exist peacefully and productively with each other and the broader community.

We do this through a **program** of dialogue, education and visitation, involving:

- Opportunities to discuss matters of common concern in an open and friendly environment.
- Planning and conducting of multi-faith/inter-faith events.
- Informative presentations by member communities about the basic tenets of their faith.
- Tours of places of worship in the City of Knox to learn about their significant aspects.

(**Details of past events** can be found at <http://www.knoxinterfaith.org.au/minutes/index.htm>)

Membership of the Knox Inter-faith Network is open to any religious body or faith community present in the City of Knox, with member organisations having a nominated representative with voting rights. Interested individuals can join as associate members, without voting rights, where their faith community (if they have one) is not a member organisation.

We are actively seeking to expand our membership.

The Network is independent of the Knox City Council, although it operates with Council's ongoing support. This includes provision of facilities for our meetings, with the possibility of attendance by some Councillors, and financial support for approved projects.

Our **meetings** are normally held in the evening on the first Monday of even-numbered months (February, April, June, August, October and December) at the Knox Civic Centre, 511 Burwood Hwy, Wantirna South, although sometimes we move the meeting to meet the needs of member representatives.

Check our web-site for **event details** at: <http://www.knoxinterfaith.org.au/events.htm>

Planned 2015 meetings:

Monday, 2 February 2015

Monday, 13 April 2015 – Annual General Meeting

Monday, 1 June 2015

Monday, 3 August 2015

Monday, 5 October 2015

November/December 2015 – Joint meeting with the Knox Multicultural Advisory Committee (TBC)

We also intend having a presence at the Celebration of Multiculturalism in Knox to be run on Sunday 19 April at the Hungarian Community Centre on Boronia Road, Wantirna.

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