

BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes of General Meeting, Thursday – 18th February, 2016

Meeting commenced at 7:33 pm.

Opening: President Christine Miller opened the meeting by Welcome to Country and welcoming guests.

Attendance:	Members signed the register:	42
	Apologies:	8
	Visitors:	3

Minutes of BCA General Meeting of 17th December, 2015.

That the Minutes of 17th December, 2015 be confirmed.

Moved: Christine Janssen. Seconded: Greg Slater. Carried.

Matters Arising:

Leaver Park: Sunday February 28th at noon, Dick Leaver will share his recollections of Leaver Park in its hey day on site.

Servo: We believe work to commence in the next weeks, there has been some activity there recently.

Piano: Response received from Yamaha advising a combined purchase price and trade in of the Kawai. We believe selling the Kawai privately will be more worthwhile financially. We are looking at needing around \$30 000. At this stage we will consider external funding support, eg Veolia Mulwaree and similar opportunities, crowd funding and local support by way of donation.

Bundanoon Community Swimming Pool: Christine Miller advised a recent meeting with WSC staff, Henk Janssen and John McNamara was very worthwhile. The group currently has four members. Interest from surrounding villages is high. Planned Robertson Pool will provide a guide as to funding and management. This is to be regarded as a long-term project; there is a need to demonstrate all year round use to Council. Henk Janssen spoke of the need for project management, engineering and accounting skills, short-term work, being important and encouraged all BCA members to complete a WSC Pools survey, copy available at this meeting.

Bundanoon Village Market: Lisa Stuart, the new operator, has plans to encourage new stallholders, including the introduction of “take home meals” being available. The changeover has gone well.

Hall: Peter Goulding advised Art Deco style picture rail is being installed. Craftsmen Reid Brothers were congratulated for their work. Meeting advised main entry doors to be re-furbished also.

Pat Hall advised the meeting that collected **Black Sheoak** seeds for propagating are sprouting successfully and the plants will be ready March onwards for planting. Purchasers will be encouraged to join Habitat for Wildlife, membership form available at <http://www.wsc.nsw.gov.au/services/environment/get-involved/habitat-for-wildlife> or WSC offices.

BDCU ATM – discussions with WSC, Heritage Council & Good Yarn Committee ongoing.

Meeting advised by Christine Miller that as a result of the correspondence forwarded and the presentation to the **Australian Electoral Commission Public hearing**, on 16th December 2015, the AEC adopted recommendations that Exeter, Bundanoon, Wingello and Penrose continue to part of the Hume Electorate.

JCG. March Issue is on track to be distributed on time, Helen Clark is the Guest Editor for this edition. There will be a guest editor for each edition this year. Harvey Grennan will edit the September edition. The introduction of sub-editors for some larger parts of the magazine is being considered. Ben Mawston will work with production, preparation and presentation of the magazine again and the Committee supports his slightly increased fees from 2013 and this increase was supported by those in attendance.

Future of **150 Anniversary** signs at the entrances to the village. Christine Janssen recommended the existing signs be retained at their current location and suggested some of the wording that is now obsolete be utilised as a “traffic advisory” opportunity. Supported by the meeting.

Christine Janssen thanked the **Bundanoon Men’s Shed** on the installation of the permanent 150th memorial and boronia plaques soon to be completed.

President’s Report

Christine Miller advised the Dementia Advisory Service will make a presentation at the April 2016 GM meeting.

Work on a “Don’t Bore Bundanoon” and “Bundy on Tap” **storyboard** with QR coding, or similar is proceeding.

BCA Web Site. BCA has received quote of \$5,000 requiring 3 months work to transfer the existing site to a new platform. Inquiry continuing seeking further quote.

The new Hall Hire rates for 2016 / 2017, effective January 1st, now introduced.

Change over from MYOB to Xero accounting software actioned. Positive advice received from Laterals, our auditors re the changeover.

The **ANZ Bank, at Moss Vale** is to close. Suggestion that BCA accounts be moved to **BDCU** accepted by those in attendance.

Financial reports for period ending October 2015 and November 2015 now available. Bank statements on hand and all day-to-day accounting is up to date.

Notice of Proposed AGM changes to BCA Constitution.

Christine Miller advised 2015/2016 Committee recommendation to amend the Constitution.

Background: the current Constitution defines the Committee structure of four office bearer positions, namely President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, with three (3) Committee members completing the structure. The Committee will be seeking to continue with four (4) office bearer positions with a minimum of three (3), maximum of five (5) Committee members being possible.

This recommendation it is felt will strengthen the base of the Committee, provide more opportunities for learning and Committee work experience, sharing the responsibilities, sharing and shadowing roles and work to be done and broaden the opportunity for sharing ideas from the Committee to the community and from the community to the Committee.

A copy of the BCA's Standing Orders for the conduct of Meetings will be available for all attending the 2016 AGM.

Receipt of **Nominations for all BCA Committee** positions will close at 5:00PM Thursday 10th March.

All Sub-Committee co-ordinators are requested to submit their Annual Report, by 1st March, 2016. The Auditor's report is on track for the AGM.

Sub Committee Report.

OMC Geoff McCubbin advised that following recent discussion it is clear there is no intention by the Church to sell the building/land.

General Business.

Christine Cassin raised concerns re vehicle traffic on Erith Street, which may be alleviated by the introduction of a "centre line" and speed limit signage.

Bruce Marshall advised the meeting of WSC intended 7-8 year plan is likely to be accompanied by a large increase in **Council Rates**, possibly by 40%.

ACTION: Next BCA mailchimp to include advice that Bruce Marshall will share his knowledge on this subject. He is preparing to make a private submission to WSC.

Meeting Closed: 9:07 pm.

Next Meeting: 17th March, 2016