

**BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.**

**Minutes of General Meeting 7.30 pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

**1: Opening:** The president Christine Miller opened the meeting at 7.30 pm and welcomed Members and visitors to our first meeting in the Old Methodist Church in Bundanoon.

**2: Attendance:** 29 Members signed the register; there were 11 apologies and 2 visitors. Some members were attending or had attended the Bundanoon Public School concert, which was highly commended

**3. Minutes** of BCA General Meeting 21 August 2014:

With respect to the reference to the draft WSC Plan of Management for Bundanoon Oval and Jordan's Crossing (PoM) Geoff Bignall tabled his submission to Wingecarribee Shire Council (WSC) challenging the validity of the document.

The minutes were confirmed.

<b>Motion</b>		
That the minutes of 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2014 be confirmed.	Moved	Neil Wright
	Seconded	Harvey Grennan
<b>The motion is carried</b>		

**4. Matters Arising:**

- a. **Bus Shelter:** President Christine advised that following electricity installation remedial work was needed to complete the project. The signs for the back wall were being finalised and the shelter is already being well used.
- b. **2 – 4 Church Street:** Ralph Clark welcomed BCA to the Old Methodist Church and advised that a report on the building had been commissioned to inform a decision on whether it was feasible for the community to buy it. The History Group had already allocated c. \$14,000 which would allow time to consider the issue fully. Some hiring has taken place and updated signage (outside) is due shortly.
- c. **Bundanoon Community Garden (BCG):** Final arrangements are continuing.
- d. **Communications Tower:** Given that the tower was included in the draft PoM in the Bundanoon Oval, it was hoped an early start could be made.
- e. **Friends of Bundanoon Park:** No specific report

f. **NBN:** No further report.

## 5. President's Report

President Christine acknowledged the election of Duncan Gair as mayor and Graham McLaughlin as Deputy Mayor at the WSC Elections held on 17 September.

**PoM:** Christine tabled the BCA response submitted to WSC on the draft PoM, and thanked John Desmond for the work he did helping to prepare it. She expressed regret that earlier animosities on the issue had apparently not been put aside and believed this had not been constructive.

**Green Team Daffodils:** Following the theft of blooms from the display at the town entrance, a letter will go to WSC requesting signage be considered. **Philip Street:** Work to create one-way traffic to improve school safety will commence next January. WSC has agreed the gum trees scheduled for removal can be left as they are, and improvements to parking arrangements are being considered. It is expected there will be final advice prior to commencement of the works. **Convenors' Meeting 2 September:** As required by the BCA Constitution, SubCommittee protocols and delegations are being formulated, and final drafts will be completed at the next such meeting on 28 October.

The "Spice it Up" dinner on 14 October is for sub-committee members to get together, and others who volunteer in the village will be welcomed.

**Upstairs Downstairs 4 October:** \$10: Doors open 6.30 for the audience to bring their own food and get together with their table, the show commences at 8pm. **BCA Committee:** Patrick Fitzgerald will leave Bundanoon early in 2015, and advised the Committee that Bill Whiting was keen to be involved in his stead. As the BCA Committee has been operating without all places filled, Bill was asked to consider becoming a casual vacancy fill asap, which he is happy to accept. The Committee is seeking the support of this meeting for that decision - the meeting endorsed the decision.

**Dog Off-leash Area:** Following recent fines for people with dogs off leash in the Park, there was strong interest in an off-leash area perhaps in Boontanook Park, between Ferndale and Old Wingello Roads. Although a petition was circulating, it is understood WSC prefers letters on such matters.

**Leaver Park:** Endangered species have been identified in Leaver Park, which opens the possibility of funding under the NSW Government Trust Restoration and Rehabilitation Program, and an application is being prepared. Pat Hall explained the Great Eastern Range Program, which also provided opportunities for funding restoration work in this area.

**Cycle Safety:** Work on a submission for cycle access in the rail corridor to Exeter is planned for 2015.

**MP Visit:** Local Federal Member Angus Taylor will be visiting Bundanoon on 19 September.

**Hotel Palm Tree:** Advice received that the tree would not need to be removed.

**Australian World Orchestra:** Flyers tabled for concert here 15 November.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

Sandra Nicholls tabled the full Balance Sheet for August 2014, together with the draft Summary BCA Financial Position Document which was circulated in the meeting. The result was normal for this time of the year with a surplus of about \$2,500. Further work was in hand to facilitate preparation of the Summary Document on MYOB, and a comment was made about the need to appreciate the annual as well as the monthly financial position. Clarification of 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary expenditure was sought.

<b>Motion</b>		
That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.	Moved	Christine Janssen
	Seconded	Bruce Marshall
<b>The motion is carried</b>		

## **7. Correspondence**

Tabled as follows, including:

**IN:** WSC advising its leasing policies for Not-for Profit Organisations using its facilities.

SHBC advising that Winterfest had been nominated for an award as a successful community event; and Lisa Stuart is preparing the needed documentation in response.

Bundanoon Highland Gathering advising that BCA no longer needed to be on the Brigadoon Committee.

A resident, sharing concern about Sulphur-Crested Cockatoos.

**OUT:** WSC BCA Submission to WSC on the PoM.

## **8. Membership**

Ann McCarter's report showed an increase of membership to 495, and since 64 renewals are outstanding, final reminders will be sent shortly

## **9: Bundanoon 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Christine Janssen reported that the calendar for 2015 was filling up well, and enthusiasm continues with ideas and plans being well shared. The Bundanoon School Principal assured the meeting of the School's strong support for the year's program.

## **10: Sub-Committee Reports:**

Written reports from Sub-Committees were tabled.

**Arts Bundanoon** Convenor Greg Slater reported that advance bookings were low both for the Gala Concert on 20 September, and the dinner package with the Terrace Café. About 110 patrons were needed for the Concert to break even.

**Melting Pot Theatre** convenor Patrick Brennan reported on the successful Melting Pot Theatre event on the preceding Sunday, and outlined the programs in prospect, including the Bijou evening on 9 November.

**New Communication:** Harvey Grennan reported on progress on the planned community e-mail newsletter: the frequency was still to be decided, and professional input on format was being sought.

## **11: General Business**

**Tribal locations for Aboriginal people in NSW:** Pat Hall tabled a new map showing original Aboriginal tribal distribution across the State. This was important to help understand pre-occupation boundaries, and also to identify and conserve significant sites. There are a number of important local sites, which are undergoing conservation. The issue of a possible “Acknowledgement of Country” for some BCA occasions was flagged.

**Bundanoon Soldiers’ Memorial Hall:** Peter Goulding was thanked for putting together recent work actioned in cleaning and improving safety in the entrance area of the Hall.

**Publicity:** Ralph Clark publicised the visit to our railway station of and the Southern Aurora on 19 September and the Bundanoon History Group Garage Sale on Saturday 16 October,

**12: The Next Meeting** will be held on Thursday 16 October at 7.30 p.m. We will return to the Supper Room at the Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m..

**Confirmed:** .....(President)  
21 September 2014.

Post Meeting Note: After the meeting had concluded Ms Sue Davison (Convenor of the Garden Ramble sub-committee) fell on the stairs from the public pathway to the road on Church Street, and was conveyed to the Bowral Hospital by Ambulance.