



BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (BCA INC.)

General Meeting
Thursday 21st April 2016
Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

MINUTES

The Meeting opened at 7.30 pm

The Vice President, Danien Beets, chaired the Meeting.

1. **Attendance** 38 members signed the register; there was one visitor and six apologies.
2. **Welcome** The Vice President acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, and welcomed members and visitor.
3. **Guest Speaker** The Vice President introduced Jane Bushell (Dementia Advisor Wingecaribee, Alzheimer's Australia), who spoke on dementia, particularly in the Wingecaribee Shire. Of interest to Bundanoon residents is her holding of "Café Connect" for patients and their carers at The Olde Bicycle Shoppe on the first Thursday of each month.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes** G. Slater/C. Janssen moved and seconded that the Minutes of the General Meeting on 17th March 2016 be confirmed. Carried.
5. **Business arising from the Minutes** [other than Items 11 (b) and (c), and Ongoing Matters 13 (a) and (b) below]
 - (a) **OMC Sub-Committee – new direction?**

Danien Beets mentioned the actions of the BHG with the support of BCA in regard to the Old Methodist Church/Bundanoon Uniting Church, and thanked the OMC Sub-Committee and its Convenor, Peter Gray, for their work, now that it had been completed. It was agreed that Peter Gray and Geoff McCubbin would continue in a liaison role with the Moss Vale Uniting Church Council (MVUCC) over the continuing availability of the church building for community use. Ralph Clark expressed a wish by the BHG to be represented in some way in this liaison. The matter was referred to the BCA Committee for continuing discussion.
 - (b) **Sale of old tables and orange chairs from the Hall**

It was reported that all chairs have now been sold. There are six tables still, stored in Pat Guy's shed. Lisa Stuart suggested that it would be useful to keep these old-style wooden tables, as they are suitable for outdoor use.
 - (c) **ATM in Bundanoon**

The BDCU Alliance Bank is keen to locate an ATM in Bundanoon, and is now considering other sites, e.g. the Primula Café and outside the Post Office.
 - (d) **Security around Hall**

Chris Richmond (WSC) had reviewed the situation: there will be some reduction of vegetation, but it was pointed out that it is impossible to block all access to the shop roofs. Police patrols have been conducted. It was reported that there had been some damage to the festival lights, and a comment was made that there is some difficulty in locking the outside doors to the Supper Room. It was agreed to continue liaison with the police and WSC.
 - (e) **Storage facilities**

The area in Burgess St, on which BCA wishes to build a storage shed, is Crown Land, and it is necessary to work through WSC to have the land made available; this is taking considerable time. BHG has leased a storage facility elsewhere, about 72 sq. m. in total,

and seeks a joint arrangement with BCA for paying the rental. The request was referred to the Committee.

6. Correspondence

The Secretary listed the small amount of correspondence in and out. Danien Beets tabled a further item: an exercise group which uses the Hall had a difference with those setting up a Brigadoon event and has cancelled their booking.

7. Matters arising from President's 2015 Report

There were no matters arising from this Report.

8. Vice President's Report

Danien Beets had only one item to report: the need for a President.

9. Treasurer's Report

- (a) The Treasurer spoke to her Financial Report (tabled).
- (b) It was expected that the transfer of accounts from ANZ to BDCU Alliance Bank will be completed by April.

Craig Curry (Treasurer, Garden Ramble Sub-Committee) requested clarification of the accounting procedures required of Sub-Committees; the matter was referred to the Committee, to see whether the various forms and procedures need revising.

10. Matters referred on by Committee

- (a) Leaver Park Group
J. Tonks/J. Lemerrier moved and seconded that a Sub-Committee called Leaver Park Group be created, with Christine Miller as Convenor. Carried.
Christine Miller reported that 50 people had indicated willingness to be involved in the Group; it planned to work one mid-week day and one weekend day per month.
- (b) Appointment to fill casual vacancy on Committee
Christine Janssen had agreed to take up the offer of filling the vacancy, and her appointment was ratified.
- (c) Bundanoon Village Markets – covers for outside stalls
Lisa Stuart commented that, under Road Traffic requirement, a width of only 2 m. is allowed on the footpath outside the Hall, and coverings/awnings of some sort are needed for stalls placed there; no commercially available coverings will fit, and other possibilities and costings are being investigated. Christine Miller commented that, if BCA were to purchase such awnings, they would be a good investment, as they could be used for other events. Barry Miller suggested contacting Sherwood Engineering to see if they could come up with a suitable design.

11. Sub-Committee Reports (tabled)

- (a) Figures in the Membership Convenor's report: 468 members, incl. 5 new members, with 192 renewals due on 1 July.
- (b) Greg Slater (Convenor, Arts Bundanoon) was asked for an update on the raising of funds for the purchase of the new piano; he explained that the silent auction for the current piano would open on 16th May and close on 27th May, with bids above \$6500. Donations also are continuing to come in, while the "crowd funding" website has secured a number of commitments. Christine Miller reported that about one-third of the amount required has been achieved so far.
On behalf of "Brigadoon" Elizabeth Cranny handed over a cheque for \$1000 from its takings this year. The meeting expressed its appreciation of this sort of support from community groups.
- (c) Henk Janssen (Convenor, Bundanoon Community Pool Sub-Committee) reported that it would be a long-term project; there are three new members of the Sub-Committee, and they have been securing information about pool covers. He will be attending a meeting

of SVG on 10th May and hoping to secure a representative on the Pool Sub-Committee from that Group.

- (d) Lisa Stuart and Pat Hall reported verbally on all the specific events, musicians, stalls, work shops, sponsors, etc. being put in place for this year's WinterFest. Lisa Stuart flagged the need for replacements on the Sub-Committee.
- (e) Christine Janssen (Convenor of last year's Bundanoon 150 Sub-Committee) wished to acknowledge the work of the Men's Shed, commenced in 2015, on the completion of the historic rail station signboard, including now a Bundanoon 150 bronze plaque.

12. Information from WSC

- (a) At its next meeting WSC will consider a policy for an exclusion area of 2 metres around cenotaphs and war memorials (including the Southern Villages Memorial).
- (b) The DA for extensions to the Medical Centre in Erith St have been approved.
- (c) There is to be a new name for kindergarten in Burgess St – "Big Fat Smile".

13. Ongoing Matters

- (a) Christine Miller outlined what was planned for a sculpture to acknowledge "Brigadoon" as part of Bundanoon 150; she and the Secretary will be seeking further design input.
- (b) Christine Miller reported on the plans for a permanent story-board to record the campaigns for "Don't Bore Bundanoon" and "Bundy on Tap"; the text is being drawn up, and permission has been gained to place it on the wall of the Post Office.

14. General Business

- (a) Lessons in use of smartphones and tablets
Christine Miller reported on three very useful lessons she had recently attended in Bowral on these devices, at a cost of \$10; the teacher is willing to conduct similar lessons in Bundanoon, if there is sufficient interest. It was agreed that the Secretary would collect expressions of interest via an eNewsletter and notices.
- (b) Call for volunteers to share load
Help with small tasks was called for: there was one volunteer already to help with setting up for General Meetings, and two to help with getting the supper ready.
- (c) Announcements
Chocolat is showing at Cinema Rex on Saturday night.
Lions will be providing breakfast following the Anzac Day Dawn Service, and the Bundanoon Club will be open from 7.00 am; the mid-morning March starts at 1050 hrs, and some members of the new choir "Bundanoon Sings" will be leading the singing.
"Music at 10" will be on 7th May.
The Green Team will be working on 10th May.
- (d) Pat Hall announced that she had been to see the progress of the casuarina seedlings, which were now 10-15 cm high; a day is being planned in October for the start of the distribution of the trees.
- (e) Management and operation of Hall. There is a need for a replacement for Peter Goulding as Hall Manager; investigations are underway for helpers on a co-operative basis to create a Hall Management team.

Jeremy Tonks, on behalf of the Committee, thanked Danien Beets for stepping up and running the Association for the time being, and made a plea for someone to take on the Presidency.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.