

**Bundanoon Community Association Inc.
GENERAL MEETING**

**Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall
7.30 pm, Thursday 15th October**

AGENDA

Acknowledgement of country, and Welcome to members and visitors

Attendance and Apologies

Entry to the Meeting is to be made via TryBooking.

Special Resolution – Award of Life Membership to Christine Rowell-Miller

See addendum to this Agenda

Confirmation of Minutes – BCA General Meeting, 17th September 2020

Sent out

Matters arising from the Minutes

President's Report

Correspondence

Business arising from the Correspondence

Report of Committee's Decisions

Sent out

Treasurer's Report

Sent out

Convenors' Reports on Subcommittee activities

Sent out

Any Other Business

(a) Request from Ralph Clark regarding the Bridge-to-Bridge Walk

Next meeting:

Thursday 19th November 2020 at 7.30pm
in the Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Special Resolution for October General Meeting

A special resolution had been planned for the Annual General Meeting in March 2020. As the AGM was cancelled, and the special resolution lapsed, this special resolution is now to be put forward again at the General Meeting on 15th October 2020.

Special Resolution

THAT the BCA grant by special resolution Life Membership of the Bundanoon Community Association to Christine Rowell-Miller for outstanding service to the BCA and the Bundanoon community.

Background to the Resolution

Christine Rowell-Miller has served the Bundanoon community since 2003 and been a member of the Bundanoon Community Association Inc. since 2006. Christine has held numerous positions, too numerous to mention here, within the BCA on Subcommittees such as Leaver Park Group, Bundanoon on Tap, and Hall Willing Workers, and has held the positions of Secretary and President. She was instrumental in initiatives such as Earth-Fest, purchasing the new grand piano for the Hall, and initiating the celebrations for the Sesquicentenary of Bundanoon.

In all of her positions, Christine has been active in the community, attends most events, and has strong relationships with other organisations. She has been a vigorous supporter of our community and been influential in creating our reputation as one of the most active villages in the Southern Highlands. She is respected by other communities in the Southern Highlands and Local Government alike.

Christine stepped down from her position as Secretary on the Committee at the time of this year's (cancelled) AGM to spend some well deserved time pursuing her own activities.

I will therefore move the Special Resolution (above) at the General Meeting on 15th October 2020.

Peter Gray, President

BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

General Meeting

7.30 pm 17th September 2020

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

MINUTES

The President, Peter Gray, declared the meeting open at 7.30 and, following acknowledgment of the traditional owners of the land, welcomed members and guests.

Attendance: 31 members present.

Apologies were received from Ralph Clark, Pam Davies, Lyn and Alan Morehen, Tony Strong.

Cancelled March AGM: Moved: Gregory John Olsen, **seconded:** Christine Rowell-Miller, that last year's Executive Officers and Committee Members remain in place, with the addition of a Secretary, in an acting role until the next AGM. **Carried.**

Special Resolution: As the time frame for the Special Resolution of a Life Membership has passed, a renewed special resolution will be put forward at the October General Meeting: that Life Membership be awarded to Christine Rowell-Miller for her service to the BCA and to the Bundanoon community.

Confirmation of Minutes from the BCA General Meeting, 21 February 2020.

Subject to a correction on p. 3 requested by Ann Rocca, which the Secretary will add.

Moved: Joy Brown, **seconded:** Stuart Reid. **Carried.**

Business arising from Minutes: Christine Rowell-Miller asked whether the amounts listed on p. 1 had any input from BCA, in particular the amount of \$25,000 for Glow Worm Glen allocated by WSC, as no work has been done to date. The President replied that it was not known when the clearing of bushfire-affected trees will be undertaken by WSC.

President's Report – to be attached as an addendum, with some inclusions in italics.

Correspondence:

- 12.08.2020 to David Brennen of the Bundanoon History Group regarding the signs outside the Supper Room and near the Old Goods Shed. BCA is in the process of securing quotations. Correction: NP&WS does not own the Supper Room sign but has been consulted for information about content, as it is not currently correct. Elizabeth Cranny had spoken with Pat Hall about this latter sign.
- Press release in the *Southern Highlands News* regarding CommBank donation of \$37,000 received by Winterfest Subcommittee.
- WSC Assets Manager advised about increase in numbers permitted in the Hall following on from clarification of requirements by Services NSW.
- "Beautiful Bundanoon" postcards are available at the front table free of charge. 51 sets have been delivered by the Secretary to 28 Bundanoon residents who had requested them in response to a Newsletter item.
- As the Covid virus can last up to three days on paper, BCA is not able to "hand out" printed matter at General Meetings.

Business arising from the Correspondence:

- Comment from President: there are approximately three thousand residents in Bundanoon, 10% are members of the BCA, 1% attend meeting. An increase in an online presence by the BCA will inform more of the community.
- The number of BCA communications were listed as part of the President's Report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Accounts as of 31st August 2020 were tabled. They are also available on the website in the package of business papers for this Meeting
- There is a moratorium on GST returns.
- Thank you to the Subcommittee treasurers, Cherie Hobart for the JCG and Sue Davison for the Garden Ramble.

Moved: A. Carnahan, **seconded:** C. Rowell-Miller, that the Treasurer's Report be received.
Carried.

Convenors' Reports : Additions to those circulated.

- **Arts Bundanoon:** The new Arts Bundanoon Convenor, Pamela Jane, advised that Music @ 10 will re-commence on 14th November with a performance by Daniel Herscovitch. The opportunity to seat 50 people makes holding such a concert viable.
- **Melting Pot Theatre:** The Convenor, Bronwyn Beard, advised that Round 4 of Crash Test Drama (CTD) will be held on 17th October in the Hall and video-recorded by Peter Gray. It will take one week to format and upload, and another week to allow for voting. The Hall is booked from 9am to 11pm, and tickets will be available on Trybooking for attendance at Round 4.
- **Crash Test Drama Gala Final:** As it is not viable to hold the Gala Final in the Hall, CTD is considering a slot at the "Soundpit" at the Bundanoon Markets now held at the Bundanoon Public School.

[Later update: The Crash Test Drama Gala Final has been re-scheduled for Saturday 12th December, and it will include all the winning plays throughout the year and, unless conditions change, we will follow the same procedure – a small live audience and upload videos for everyone else to view and vote on.]

- **The Rex Cinema:** The Convenor, Stuart Reid, reported that The Rex will be showing the French film "Roxanne" on 3rd October. Courtesy of BCA paying the royalty fee, it will be a free night for 44 customers, but booking through TryBooking will be necessary. "Women in Black" will be re-scheduled, as there is a Bundanoon connection and The Rex Cinema wishes to have that person there on the night.
- **Hall Committee:** The Convenor, Rosemary Page, reported that two quotes had been received to repair/replace some of the Hall doors, and WSC had chosen one. The President thanked the Hall Subcommittee and the Willing Workers for their work during the Covid restrictions, as there is more involved than previously.
- **Bundanoon Sings:** The Convenor, Geoff McCubbin, pointed out that singing is not considered a Covid-friendly activity. However, the choir members are staying in touch.
- **JCG:** The Convenor, Christine Janssen, announced that the theme for the next issue is "Giving". The Hall Subcommittee and Willing Workers will be featured in that issue.

Any other Business:

- At short notice, the President proposed that the position of Bundanoon Poet Laureate be created.

Moved: Peter Gray, **seconded:** Gregory John Olsen, that Bronwyn Beard be appointed the first Bundanoon Poet Laureate. **Carried.**

The President reported that Bronwyn had participated in the Emerging Performance Poet Award offered by Southern Tablelands Arts, and the prize will provide for mentoring by the poet Andrew Galan. She will also take part in the Southern Highlands Writers Festival.

- Deferred query from Rachel Russell about “Friend of Wingecarribee” (FoW): Why is BCA not engaging with FoW in regard to their proposals about WSC. The President replied that BCA was presented, at short notice, with a letter to the Minister for Local Government, Shelley Hancock, drafted by FoW; his response had been that the BCA Committee would need to research, meet, and discuss the content before deciding whether to endorse the letter or not. The BCA Committee had looked at the FoW Facebook site and website; a statement about its aim to be the voice for the towns and villages of the Shire has been removed from its website. The Committee also felt there needed to be more clarity in the request from FoW. The Constitution requires the BCA to focus only on the interests and the community of Bundanoon. BCA is non-political and independent, but values the connection with the SVG.
- Christine Rowell-Miller gave a brief history of the founding of the SVG and added that the request of the FoW was to bring forward new/fresh/younger people and mentor them to stand for election to WSC. She pointed out that BCA regularly hosts a “Meet the Candidates” event in the Hall and those who may be supported by FoW would be invited to participate in this event, if held in future. The work of the FoW is based on new people representing the Shire.
- The President read the list of those who had signed the FoW letter, and expressed discomfort over signing a letter which BCA had no control over.

Meeting closed 9.00 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday 15th October 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Hall

COMMITTEE UPDATE No 4 – October 2020

The BCA Committee is required by the Constitution to report to a General Meeting its various discussions and decisions. So this fourth “Update” is being sent to let you all know the main matters which the Committee has been discussing, and in some cases implementing, from its September and October Meetings.

This Committee Report will be considered at the next BCA General Meeting on Thursday 15th October.

Bruce Marshall
BCA Secretary

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- 1. Friends of Wingecarribee letter to Minister for Local Govt about WSC:** There was further discussion of this letter, which the BCA Committee had agreed not to sign, and its implications for the Southern Villages Group (SVG), most of whom had endorsed the letter. The President noted that the FoW had narrowed its aim to preparing possible independent candidates for election to WSC. He also suggested that BCA write something to the membership on order to control the story of the position taken.
- 2. Further opening up of the Hall:** The Committee approved the plans to open up the Supper Room and the Stage Area. The maximum number permitted in the Supper Room will be 15 persons, and 9 persons in the Stage Area. Covid Marshals will be required for groups of more than 20. The BCA’s TryBooking account is to be used for those who wish to attend an event: it will help to manage numbers, and to provide a contact register.
- 3. Audio equipment** as next part of Hall upgrade: The Committee is waiting on a quotation from Luminous for four new speakers to be placed around the Hall. Andy Carnahan is examining what is needed to provide a hearing loop.
- 4. AED (automatic external defibrillator):** Consideration is being given to installing a second AED at the Bundanoon Hotel. Andy Carnahan has been consulting with the Hotel management.
- 5. New Equipment:** The EFTPOS Square Readers which have been purchased will be managed by Andy Carnahan. There is some paperwork to be sorted out before they will be operational.

There was a delay with the purchase of the six 2-way radios for which a grant had been received from WSC, because of lack of supply and some compatibility issues, but they have now been ordered. They are for use in communication during performances in the Hall between the stage area and the Loft.

- 6. **Refurbishing of some signs** around the village: (a) the sign above the Supper Room doors, which is in poor condition, belongs to NP&WS and we have been told that they will take responsibility for renewing it; and (b) Andy Carnahan is liaising with Peter McDonald to print the new directory panels for the sign near the railway station.
- 7. **Change to DA** for the former Warrigal site in Old Wingello Road. Ann Rocca reported that the DA had been changed, to remove four dwellings in the centre, so that the large eucalypt in the middle would not need to be cut down.
- 8. **New Convenor confirmed for Arts Bundanoon Subcommittee:** The appointment was confirmed of Pamela Jane as the new Convenor for the Arts Bundanoon, to take over from Greg Slater, who has moved to Tasmania.
- 9. **Proposal for two new BCA Subcommittees:** Because of a lack of time, discussion had to be deferred of proposals for two new BCA Subcommittees, one to “Fix the Bridges” (not only the over-bridges themselves, but also to examine the question of pedestrian safety), and another to look at “Heritage” (especially the heritage character of the Bundanoon Soldiers’ Memorial Hall). These will be discussed further at the next Committee Meeting in November.

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Convenors' Reports – October 2020

These Reports are being sent out digitally, as usual now. They will be considered at the next BCA General Meeting, to be held on Thursday 15th October, so if you plan to attend the Meeting and wish to refer to the details, we ask you to download and print them off yourselves, as no hard copies will be provided at the Meeting due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Bruce Marshall
BCA Secretary

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Arts Bundanoon

Arts Bundanoon is delighted to report that, because the BCA has worked hard to ease number restrictions in the Hall, we are able to stage the November Music at 10 recital. Our guest artist is Daniel Herscovitch and he will present a programme of Beethoven and Chopin. Numbers will of necessity be restricted as per BCA guidelines. Nevertheless, we are sure that everyone will take heart from the opportunity to hear live music again. All is continuing well on the Covid-19 front: the group has bookings and planning in place for all of 2021. The first concert of the new year will be in January.

Pamela M Jane (Convenor)

Bundanoon Sings!

Bundanoon Sings! sadly has nothing to report. We will have a meeting once school holidays are over to see if anything is feasible this year.

Geoff McCubbin (Convenor)

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

A meeting was held with Peter Gray, Bruce Marshall, Andy Carnahan, John Brock and myself to discuss re-opening of the Supper Room and Stage. It was agreed that 15 in the Supper Room and 9 on stage would now be permissible, with 50 still allowed in the Hall for seated functions only. This worked well for the last BCA Meeting and also for the movie on 3rd October.

However, activities such as exercise classes will remain at a maximum of 20 participants.

We are still waiting on Council's carpenters to replace the side doors.

Once again, a big thank you to all for following the Covid-19 regulations for the Hall, and to our Willing Workers and Baxters Cleaning for their great efforts in keeping the Hall clean and sanitised.

Rosemary Page (Convenor)

Bundanoon Ukesters

Nothing much to report from the Ukesters other than that we continue to get together in the Hall and still very much enjoy ourselves doing so. The Ukesters performed (as we now do at the first Market every month) at the Markets last weekend to a captive and appreciative audience. We even had to play a few encores! At Lisa Stuart's suggestion, we have commenced putting out a collection hat, and we have decided to collect on behalf of local support groups rather than ourselves. So at the last Markets we collected on behalf of Wombat Care Bundanoon; and we collected enough to cover mange doses for two wombats.

Anton Baggerman (Convenor)

COMpassionate COMmunities

Lyndell Giuliano, of Compassionate Communities, has stepped down from the role of Convenor from 1 October 2020. She would like to thank the ComCom Subcommittee for their support, and especially Petrea King at 'Quest for Life' for hosting the monthly meetings. The "Hello, how are you?" initiative will continue with Lyndell as the conduit between anyone who would like a call and the volunteers, until a new Convenor may take on the role.

Lyndell Giuliano (Convenor)

De Meyrick Reserve

The De Meyrick Reserve Group met for 4 people hours of weeding last week. We hope to have another weeding bee soon.

Sandy Berry (Convenor)

The Green Team

The Green Team are up and running again after our usual winter break in July and August. Our September working bee attracted fourteen volunteers who got busy weeding and spreading fertiliser over the daffodil beds. This has been wonderful late winter/early spring for plants. Unfortunately the weeds love this weather too and have done their best to smother the retreating daffodil greenery. Lots more work to do, but in the meantime the beds look pretty untidy.

We meet again on Tuesday 13th October and welcome any new members.

John White (Convenor)

Leaver Park

Leaver Park Bush Regeneration began again on October 8th following the delays we all have experienced in 2020.

The unpredictable and occasional inclement weather on the day meant a short time together.

Council has developed sound and clear COVID-19 requirements.

If you are not already signed up and would like to join in, please come to Leaver Park Road for 0900 on November 12th.

We look forward to more coming along on the 12th to Leaver Park in Leaver Park Road.

Between now and then, if you can, mosey that way and enjoy the absolutely beautiful display of wildflowers.

It was amazing what was there on that morning to be enjoyed.

Walk gently and look carefully and you'll be rewarded.

Look forward to seeing you at Leaver Park.

Christine Miller (Convenor)

Melting Pot Theatre

It has certainly been a peculiar year with ever-changing restrictions endeavouring to control the invading monster COVID 19. However, Melting Pot Theatre managed to stage, film and stream Crash Test Drama 3 with great success. Some hiccups, lots of assistance, and always laughter and cheer.

We are now preparing Crash Test Drama 4 on 17th October. Limited tickets are available on TryBooking with priority going to the directors and performers to make sure we stay under the 50 people limit. We will be filming the plays for distribution to our YouTube channel and perhaps a viewing at the Bundanoon Club, still to be finalised.

Our vision is to keep the name of Melting Pot Theatre alive and well, although unable to operate in the normal way. We are anxious to maintain the Crash Test Drama philosophy, encouraging playwrights to submit original plays and folks to act in the various roles. No experience necessary, script in hand. Emails have been running hot to convey the details to all and sundry, and eight plays have been selected. The variety and quality of the plays promises an excellent presentation. We have excellent writers hiding out there in the wilds of the Southern Highlands, and we are excited to be hearing from so many of them.

The Crash Test Drama Gala Final has been re-scheduled for Saturday 12th December, and it will include all the winning plays throughout the year and, unless conditions change, we will follow the same procedure – a small live audience and upload videos for everyone else to view and vote on.

Annie Goodridge on behalf of the Melting Pot Theatre Subcommittee

The Rex Cinema

Last Saturday, 3 October, The Rex Cinema got back to business with a fabulous 2019 French film, *Roxane*. Although Coronavirus restrictions have been eased, The Rex was limited to a maximum of 50 patrons and were unable to offer the usual nibbles and wine welcome.

The BCA agreed to cover the costs associated with screening the film and to manage attendance numbers the tickets were offered via TryBooking. The event was fully booked within a day!

Roxane was a great welcome back – funny, quirky and uplifting and enjoyed by all.

To wrap up 2020, The Rex Cinema will be showing *Fishermen's Friend* (UK) on Saturday 4 November at 7:30pm.

We'd love to see you there! [Facebook / Rex Cinema - Bundanoon](#)

Stuart Reid (Convenor)

Nothing – or Nothing New – To Report

In view of the COVID-19 and other restrictions, a number of Subcommittees are not meeting or carrying out activities, and so have nothing further to report at this stage, or add to last month's Report:

BCA Website – Andy Carnahan (Convenor)

Bundanoon Garden Ramble – Sandy Weir (Convenor)

Membership – Andy Carnahan (Convenor)

Needles & Natter – Andrea Ward (Convenor)