

Bundanoon Community Association Inc.

GENERAL MEETING

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

7.30 pm, Thursday 15th April 2021

AGENDA

Acknowledgement of country, and Welcome to members and visitors

Attendance and Apologies

1. Confirmation of Minutes – BCA General Meeting, 18th February 2021
Attachment One
 - a. Business arising from the Minutes
2. President's Report
3. Correspondence
4. Report from Committee Meeting 1 April 2021
Attachment Two
5. Treasurer's Report
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6. Convenors' Reports on Subcommittee Activities
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7. General Business
 - a. Business arising from Correspondence (if required)
 - b. Changing meeting location and changing meeting time. Two requests for motions were put forward by a member. The first is for the general meetings to change from the Soldiers' Memorial Hall to the Bundanoon Club. The second is to change the General Meeting time from 7:30pm to 6:30pm. These will be discussed as two separate items. The Committee discussed the proposals and is interested in members' views before making a decision. The proponent will introduce each request and then the floor will be opened for discussion.
 - c. Hall hire and environmental responsibility. Recently the Hall Hire under our Covid-19 Safety Plan, allowed the use of food and drink in the Hall. One requirement was added that Hirer's must use biodegradable crockery and cutlery if they are not using our glasses and crockery. The requirement was added to align with our single-use water bottle position. To ensure we are reflecting our members' wishes does the membership support this decision.
8. Any Other Business or announcements?
9. Refreshments

Next meeting:

General Meeting, Thursday 20th May 2021, at 7.30pm

in the Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Attachment One

Bundanoon Community Association Inc.

GENERAL MEETING

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

7.30 pm, Thursday 18th February 2021

MINUTES

The President, Peter Gray, acknowledged the Country of the Gundungurra people, and welcomed members and visitors.

Attendance and Apologies: 19 members were present, and apologies were received from Peter Brown, John Brock, Rosemary Page, Stuart Reid, Pamela Jane, Christine Rowell-Miller, Christine Janssen, Barry Miller, Sandy Weir, Alan Morehen

The President reported that the Treasurer, Peter Brown, had been ill but was recovering well.

Confirmation of Minutes: **Moved** Jeremy Tonks, **seconded** Andy Carnahan: that the Minutes of the BCA General Meeting held on 17th December 2020, which had been circulated, be confirmed. Carried.

Business arising from the Minutes:

- (a) The President announced that in view of the Treasurer's illness he was assuming the role of Acting Treasurer; and that the new Sound system had been installed and was being test-run at tonight's Meeting, with assistance from Bronwyn Beard in the Loft.
- (b) He also pointed out that the Committee is considering funding the planned kitchen upgrade with BCA's own funds; the upgrade involves the removal of the old cooker and the installation of two new ovens.

President's Report:

- (a) The President announced that a new Covid-19 Safety Plan for the Hall had been drawn up, mainly allowing for the serving of food and drink. The Plan constantly evolves as new provisions are put in place or amended.
- (b) He also pointed out the convenience of using TryBooking for events. It allows for the control of numbers in the Hall, and removes the need to handle cash.
- (c) The removal of some Covid restrictions means that Convenors are able to move on with planning their events. Planning for Winterfest continues, though there will be no street festival, with other open-air venues being considered, and planning for the Garden Ramble is still going ahead.
- (d) Three of the four parts of the Hall upgrade have now been completed, or close to it: the performance lights, the sound system, and soon the kitchen. These are all aimed at greatly improving the Hall experience and at attracting a wider use of the Hall.
- (e) The President was also encouraging an increase in membership, particular among the younger members of the community. A constitutional amendment is to be introduced at the AGM to remove the age restriction (currently 18) allowing younger people to participate.

- (f) The Bundanoon Pipe and Drum Band had moved on, but a new Bundanoon Pipe Band has been formed, under the Convenorship of Jeff Appleton.
- (g) Cherie Hobart has resigned as sub-treasurer for JCG. The President thanked her for her dedicated and efficient service in that position. JCG is therefore looking for a new sub-treasurer to undertake that important work.
- (h) A review of the BCA's policies had been undertaken with the insurance brokers. One area that needs to be looked at is insurance of equipment, now that more of it is being acquired.

Correspondence:

- (a) copy (09.02.2021) of President's Report for SVG meeting
- (b) email (10.02.2021) from Clr Ian Scandrett about attendance at AGM
- (c) email (10.02.2021) from Powerhouse Museum about retention of two Camelbak bottles from the Ecologic Exhibition being dismantled
- (d) letter (10.02.2021) to School Principal about setting up the street library
- (e) notice (10.02.2021) from WSC about Grants Writing Workshop
- (f) email (15.02.2021) from President to Hamish Dawson, thanking him for his role in the Bundanoon Pipes and Drums
- (g) email (15.02.2021) from School Principal asking if the fortnightly School Newsletter could be shared with the BCA membership via its mailchimp software
- (h) email (15.02.2021) from Rosemary Page containing a stocktake of BCA's wine holdings (total of 58 bottles)
- (i) email (16.02.2021) from Rosemary Page advising Baxters will not be continuing as Hall cleaners
- (j) email (17.02.2021) from WSC advising that it is responsible for the Soldiers' Memorial Hall building insurance

Business arising from the Correspondence:

- (a) Henk Janssen asked whether the BCA could pay the insurance premiums given the decline in income due to the Covid restrictions. Peter Gray replied that there were still sufficient funds available for ongoing and recurrent costs.
- (b) Ann Rocca asked for a filling out of the Report to the latest SVG meeting, and an account of the discussions. The President, who had attended the meeting, made some comments, in particular that the Southern Villages found responses from WSC were slow, as were its movements to get things done following the bushfires.

Report of Committee's Decisions:

- (a) The Secretary apologised that he had failed to send the document out with the other meeting papers, and summarised the main points:
 1. Updating of sound system and kitchen
 2. Constitutional amendments
 3. Burgess Street Storage Shed
 4. Free Street Library at Bundanoon Public School
 5. Insurance cover for casual hirers of the Hall
 6. Square readers and the use of TryBooking
 7. Food and drink in the Hall

Treasurer's Report:

- (a) The President as Acting Treasurer tabled a basic profit and loss statement for the month ending 31.01.2021 (attached to these Minutes), and reported income of \$1,890, and expenditure of \$628, leaving a profit of \$1,262. He listed some of the main items of income and expenditure.

Moved Bronwyn Beard, **seconded** Bruce Marshall, that the Treasurer's Report be received. Carried.

Convenors' Reports on Subcommittee Activities:

- (a) Welcome to Bundanoon. Lyn Morehen reported that new arrivals are being welcomed at the Bundanoon Club, which is a congenial venue. Delivery of welcome packs is running behind for obvious reasons. A new Convenor will be taking over soon.
- (b) JCG. Henk Janssen reported that the next issue had gone to the printers.
- (c) Bundanoon Pipe Band. The new Convenor, Jeff Appleton, reported that the Band had lost one experienced drummer, and there are some leads for getting a piper to join. The band is now made up mostly of learners, but that fits with the aim of being a social band open to the community.
- (d) Bundanoon Sings! Geoff McCubbin reported that choral singing was still under constraints, but some relaxing of conditions was anticipated. The Choir members were keen to get going.
- (e) Arts Bundanoon: Music @ 10 concerts were held in both December and January, and both were sell-outs. There was a full program in place for the rest of this year.
- (f) Melting Pot Theatre. Bronwyn Beard reported that 2020 had been a good year. The finals of Crash Test Drama constituted the Gala concert in December. Training sessions were being held in the use of the new equipment; only those who had completed training should be allowed to use the equipment. Auditions had been held in February for a full play later in the year.

General Business:

- (a) Mel Morris, the Principal, reported on the School's activities and staffing since the start of the year. Completion of the new sports courts has been held up till March. The next big project is raising \$150K for playground equipment.
Two requests: Persons to assist with reading, and sharing the School's Newsletter with the BCA membership via mailchimp.
- (b) Andy Carnahan demonstrated the new pull-up BCA sign.
- (c) Elizabeth Cranny reminded members about nominations for executive positions and Committee membership.

Next meeting:

86th and 87th (combined) Annual General Meetings
Thursday 18th March 2021 at 7.30pm
in the Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

COMMITTEE UPDATE – April 2021

The newly elected committee met on 1 April for their first meeting.

New Committee Members: Two casual vacancies have been filled by Mel Morris and Ralph Clark. Another member came as a guest and is considering taking up the position of Vice President.

Hall items:

Audio system. An additional connection has been made to enable microphones to be managed from the stage. This allows hiring groups to manage their sound. A grant application for microphones has been submitted to Council's community assistance scheme.

Kitchen. The gas range is being removed. Two new stove/ovens will replace this. We are working with Council with the aim that they will fund these. The range hood will be cleaned.

Burgess Street Storage Shed: Council are placing the reclassification of land on public exhibition. This is a required step for our storage facility.

"Book Nook" street library at Bundanoon Public School: The BCA has sponsored a street library at the School. It is installed and will be launched next term.

Food and drink in the Hall: Our Covid safety plan now enables food and drink to be served. We require all hirers to supply biodegradable items if they are using single-use products.

New Technical Assets Subcommittee: To assist with the management and security of the new lights and sound in the Hall, the Committee endorsed a request to form a Technical Assets Subcommittee. Peter Gray is the Convenor.

Attachment Three

Treasurer's Report

Profit and Loss

Bundanoon Community Association Incorporated
For the month ended 31 March 2021

MAR 2021

Trading Income

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|------------------------------|------------------|
| Cinema Bundanoon | 1,187.73 |
| Donations Received | 500.00 |
| Hall Hire - External | 981.19 |
| Jordans Crossing Gazette | 8,460.87 |
| Melting Pot Theatre | 345.45 |
| Membership Fees | 54.54 |
| Ticket Sales - Music at @ 10 | 133.40 |
| Total Trading Income | 11,663.18 |

Gross Profit

11,663.18

Operating Expenses

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cleaning | 306.09 |
| Computer Costs | 45.45 |
| Consumables | 136.36 |
| Donations | 1,100.00 |
| Equipment | 780.91 |
| Mobile Phone Expenses | 36.36 |
| Printing | 610.00 |
| Purchases | 450.12 |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 767.00 |
| Sundries | 63.18 |
| Total Operating Expenses | 4,295.47 |

Net Profit

7,367.71

Attachment Four

CONVENORS' REPORTS – APRIL 2021

Arts Bundanoon – Music@10

At the time of writing this report we have staged three concerts in January, February and March. Monthly recitals are all organised for every month this year ending with the November event.

Audience numbers have been very healthy. Perhaps people feel starved of live classical music. It may also be that TryBooking arrangements have encouraged patrons to book and commit to attending. Whatever the reason, it is very pleasing that we have not lost revenue.

We have been wonderfully supported by the BCA Committee. Andy Carnahan has been extraordinary supporting operations. Former President Peter Grey and Secretary Bruce Marshall have also been key to mounting these concerts. We are in need of able-bodied people on the team to set up and put away chairs, piano, etc. I will continue to canvass the community for more volunteers.

Pamela M. Jane Duncan (Convenor)

Bundanoon on Tap

The work towards the completion of the feature in the village continues in discussions with WSC. With changes at Council we are moving a little slowly right now.

Christine Rowell-Miller (Convenor)

Bundanoon Pipe Band

The Bundanoon Pipe Band is currently preparing for a performance. We will be playing a few tunes that people will find familiar. We currently have five pipers (three learners), two tenor drummers, two snare drummers (one learner) and a bass drummer. The total number of band members is now up to 10. We are looking forward to our first performance.

Jeff Appleton (Convenor)

Bundanoon Sings!

Choir members were delighted to start singing together again on 15 March. True, we had to sit well apart, but at least we did not have to wear masks. Our new Director, Mariamma Mitchell, had to sit five metres in front, but we all managed very well and happily – and arrangements have now become a bit more flexible.

Our first public appearance will be at the Southern Villages Memorial on Anzac Day, when we will make a contribution of our own, and help to lead the community singing. Despite the long break most of our people are back, and former members and new ones are still very welcome.

Our committee has a couple of changes, and Hannah Halloran who has done such a positive job with social media has needed to hand it on. We are looking for someone to pick it up – not necessarily a choir member – either by itself or as part of other community conversation. Training is available, so there's a new possibility! Tell the Convenor if you would like to think about it.

Geoff McCubbin (Convenor)

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Nothing much to report on the Hall this month, except that the new cleaner, Comfort Cleaning, is doing a great job.

Rosemary Page (Convenor)

Jordan's Crossing Gazette

From the many comments received, readers are enjoying *JCG*, reading it 'from cover to cover'.

Our 'lateral thinking' themes are attracting new contributors with fascinating articles, which continue to surprise and delight.

As always, we welcome ideas and suggestions and look forward to bringing you a new and exciting experience with the June edition themed 'What's that Sound'.

Christine Janssen (Convenor/Editor)

Leaver Park

The work achieved by the Leaver Park Bush Regeneration team has reached a point where areas to be cleared and developed by the group will expand beyond the immediacy of Leaver Park, but still in Bundanoon, for a short time. The next get-together, Thursday May 13th, will start some new work at Ferndale Oval. We'll meet at the main entry area to the sports fields and in the month or two ahead some bush regeneration around the Bundanoon Cemetery is a possibility. Then after a review a little down the track, an update on Leaver Park will lead to the next phase commencing. Hope to see some new faces as we tackle these new areas.

Christine Rowell-Miller (Convenor)

The Rex Cinema

The Rex Cinema has started 2021 in great form.

To begin the year, we screened the wonderful Australian film ***Ladies in Black***. The story is set in the summer of 1959, when Lisa, a shy schoolgirl, takes a job in Sydney's prestigious department store Goode's. There, her life is changed forever when she meets the "ladies in black". Written by Sue Milliken (a one-time Bundanoon local).

In March we showed the Israeli film ***The Band's Visit***; a clever, subtle slice-of-life comedy, where eight Egyptian musicians (who comprise the Alexandria Ceremonial Police Orchestra) arrive in Israel to play at the inaugural ceremony of an Arab arts centre, only to find themselves lost in the wrong town. With no transportation, and no hotels to stay at, the band and the townsfolk explore unexpected connections in this witty, heartfelt film.

Our Mother's Day film will be ***The Full Monty*** on Saturday May 8. The Full Monty is a much-loved English comedy where six unemployed steel workers form a male striptease act. The women cheer them on to for the full monty – total nudity!

We will have a special Mother's Day raffle and would love to see you all there.

The Rex Cinema will continue to sell tickets online through **TryBooking** as well as having tickets available at the door on the night AND the complimentary glass of wine before the film IS BACK!

Stuart Reid (Convenor)

Winterfest

Winterfest planning continues to forge ahead, with opening night activities, bands, stalls etc being confirmed. After considering both the Oval and Quest for life as suitable locations, the committee has confirmed that the Oval will be used. The planning hurdles are easier to jump over!

The aim is to use just a small part of the area so that we can create an intimate feeling whilst still having enough space to remain Covid compliant.

James Fulford-Talbot (Convenor)