



BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (BCA INC.)

GENERAL MEETING

7.30 pm, Thursday 21st July 2016
Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

MINUTES

The Meeting opened at 7.30 pm

1. **Attendance** There were 42 members who signed the register, and there were 6 apologies.
2. **Welcome** The President acknowledged the traditional owners of this land, and welcomed members and visitor.
3. **Confirmation of Minutes (tabled)** G. McCubbin/J. Wood moved and seconded that the Minutes of the General Meeting on 16th June 2016 be confirmed. Carried.
4. **Business arising from the Minutes**
 - (a) Storage Unit: it was reported that the material had all been moved from Storage Unit 5 to the new Storage Unit 3; the old lease has been terminated; and the new Unit is shared with BHG.
 - (b) Update on fund-raising for new piano: Christine Miller reported that the amount raised so far was \$41,363.57, which included \$7500 from the Veolia Mulwaree Trust and \$5000 from WSC, the remainder coming from BCA Sub-Committees and from individual donations; the cost of the new Yamaha piano was \$39,000; it was expected that the piano would be delivered next week; and a Gala Concert is being planned for 27th August with Gerard Willems as the pianist and with various VIP's invited.
 - (c) Lessons on smartphones and digital devices: Christine Miller reported that Julia from WSC would be giving the lessons and that there were still spaces available.
 - (d) NBN information session: Geoff McCubbin reported on the arrangements which had been made (12 noon on Monday 25th July, with a presentation by an NBN representative, and the opportunity for questions).
 - (e) Meeting outside Hotel to discuss proposals by Endeavour Energy to relocate or cut down the palm tree: there had been a change made and the meeting would be held at 10.00 am on Friday 12th August; several members had indicated their intention to attend.
 - (f) DA for 50 Erith St: Danien Beets would be co-ordinating the BCA submission, and he indicated that the main points would relate to the scale of the development, the threat to the woodland shale flora, and the problem of traffic management. Harvey Grennan, the seller of the land, encouraged individuals to put in submissions as well.

5. Correspondence

The Secretary listed the small amount of correspondence in and out (apart from much other email "traffic"):

- 16.06.16: copy of letter sent by Grace Middleton to WSC about DA for 50 Erith St;
- 17.06.16: email from Lindsay Kelly thanking BCA for opportunity to speak about DA;
- 20.06.16: copy of letter from Mr and Mrs Braithwaite to WSC about DA for 50 Erith St;
- 01.07.16: email from President thanking Grace Middleton for her letter;

- 04.07.16: email from President welcoming Marishia Crooks, who has set up “The Heart Space” for yoga;
04.07.16: letter from President acknowledging letter from Mr and Mrs Braithwaite;
08.07.16: copy of another letter from Grace Middleton to WSC about DA for 50 Erith St;
11.07.16: letter from WSC confirming grant of \$5000 for purchase of new piano;
12.08.16: acknowledgement by WSC of BCA submission about DA for 50 Erith St.

6. President’s Report

The President commented that most things were covered elsewhere on the Agenda; that there was a two-week extension of the date for submissions on the DA for 50 Erith St, and that the Committee was working on a detailed submission. The President thanked Andy Carnahan for organizing the motel meeting to discuss the DA.

The President called on Denise Sydenham to make a presentation on the destruction of indigenous plants and animals in the Bundanoon area, not only by developers, but by local residents not doing enough about it. BCA agreed to have a look at her notes and possibly formulate a submission about them.

7. Treasurer’s Report (tabled)

The Treasurer spoke to her report. She pointed out that the apparent sharp decline in funds in the working account was due to the payment to Yamaha for the piano being made; the funds will be replenished when the large donations for the piano come in.

8. Matters referred on by Committee

- (a) Arrangements continued to be considered for some Sub-Committee Convenors to have “view only” access to BCA bank account.
- (b) Updating/replacement of website: the Secretary reported that this was moving ahead quickly; three quotations had been obtained, and a list of “pages” had now been drawn up. The current website is to be updated in essential parts next week as an interim measure.

9. Sub-Committee Reports (tabled)

- (a) Membership: the Convenor reported that there was a total of 479 members.
- (b) Responsibility for grass-cutting of Roy Terry Reserve: John White reported that the issue had been resolved, and the WSC’s Water and Sewerage Department would undertake grass mowing on a regular basis from now on.
- (c) Winterfest: Lisa Stuart spoke of a need for a change in the Sub-Committee and her decision not to continue as Convenor. The President thanked Lisa and her team, noting in particular the number of young people who attended this special event. The President called on Ralph Clark to speak: he also congratulated Lisa Stuart and the Winterfest Sub-Committee, and then on behalf of Elizabeth Cranny and the Lions Club presented two cheques to BCA, one for \$2000 for Winterfest, and the other for \$2000 also for the Leaver Park Group. The funds were the result of profit from the mulled wine stall run by the Lions Club at Winterfest. The gesture was warmly received by the members present.
- (d) JCG Food and Wine: Ralph Clark drew attention to the arrangements, now finalised, for a food and wine trip to Mudgee in October.

10. Information from WSC papers and press releases

The President drew attention to these items which were listed on the Agenda (tabled)

- (a) Adoption of Stage 2 Bicycle Strategy for Towns and Villages
- (b) Exhibition of Draft Parks Strategy – Comments called for

- (c) IPART approval for rate increase of 45% over four years (planned to produce \$107.5 million for infrastructure)
- (d) Schedule for replanting trees removed in the sealing of Ellesmore Rd
- (e) “Brigadoon” application for \$10,000 funding for 40th celebration next year

11. Any Other Business

- (a) Announcements
 - (i) Christine Miller announced that an album of photos, taken by Anne and Ron Shead of the process of removing the trees at the Convenience Store in Railway St, would be available for viewing after the Meeting.
 - (ii) Greg Slater pointed out that the next ‘Music at 10’ concert was on 6th, not 2nd August as reported.
 - (iii) Pat Brennan expanded on his report about forthcoming performances by Crash Test Drama and Melting Pot Theatre.
 - (iv) Pat Guy reminded members of the forthcoming BHG Book Sale, which may extend to the Sunday.
 - (v) Ralph Clark announced that he was standing for election to the Shire Council on the ticket of Clr Duncan Gair.
- (b) Request for submission to be made: Christine Cassin reported that the 60 km per hour speed signs on Erith St had been moved closer to the village, on a street in very poor condition, where vehicles constantly and dangerously drive over the speed limit and where there will be a considerable increase in traffic from proposed developments.

The meeting closed at 8.56 pm.

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Next General Meeting: **Thursday 15th September 2016** at 7.30 pm

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For your diary: the dates of BCA General Meetings for the next three months:

Thursday 20th October Thursday 17th November 15th December