



BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes of General Meeting
 Thursday 17th March 2016
 Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

After a short break at the end of the Annual General Meeting, a General Meeting commenced at 8.25 pm

The Meeting was chaired by the Vice President, Danien Beets. He thanked Christine Miller warmly for her work as President, especially in her dealing with challenges and changes behind the scenes. Pat Guy presented Christine with flowers on behalf of the BCA.

1. Condolences and good wishes

- (a) Condolences to the family of Paul Gleeson, who was responsible for the 'Concept, Layout and Production' of the *Jordan's Crossing Gazette* during its early days as a black-and-white publication in the 1990s, and who passed away earlier in March.
- (b) Condolences also to the family of Jim Merson who passed away early this week; he was the husband of Leila Merson, both long term residents of Bundanoon.
- (c) Our best wishes to Kenny Hodge from the Bundanoon Club who has unfortunately broken his leg.

2. Ongoing Matters

- (a) **Replacement of Piano.** Plans for Crowd Funding are progressing, and three \$1000 donations direct to BCA have been received to date. We were unable to submit an application for a Veolia Mulwaree grant by the deadline of 1st March, as we were awaiting response from Yamaha to extend the end date of their offer, which they are now holding to 30th June. Greg Slater was asked for an up-date, and he explained the plans for a silent auction of the piano; he noted that there would be a reserve of \$6500. A suggestion from the floor was for some tangible recognition of those who make donations.
- (b) **Leaver Park.** 50 people attended an information day on Sunday 28th February, including Ian Perkins (WSC). Paul Marshall (WSC) has made two visits and discovered more aboriginal artefacts.
- (c) **Pool.** B. Miller/A. McCarter moved and seconded that a new Sub-Committee called *Bundanoon Community Pool*, with Henk Janssen as Convenor, be formed. Carried. BCA has asked the Southern Villages Group (SVG) to support the work of the Pool Sub-Committee and provide another committee member from their group; John McNamara from the Exeter Village Association (EVA) has already volunteered to be a sub-committee member. Henk Janssen called for other members of the community to join.
 There have been communications with the a roof company over quotations, advice, etc. about covering the pool in winter.
- (d) **Old Methodist Church (OMC).** Geoff McCubbin was invited to speak about developments. He explained that the Moss Vale Uniting Church Council had

established a policy for the property: retaining ownership, changing the furniture to a more flexible arrangement, and utilising it when not needed as a church. There will be ongoing consultation with the BCA and Bundanoon History Group (BHG) about its future use.

- (e) **ATM and BDCU.** ‘Good Yarn’ has rejected the possibility of an ATM in the proposed location; the matter of a location for an ATM will continue to be pursued. BCA has met with BDCU to change accounts over from ANZ and, following the election of a Treasurer, the change-over will take place a.s.a.p.
- (f) **Old orange Hall chairs.** Peter Goulding and Pat Guy have been handling the sale of these; Peter reported that about 20% have now been sold.
- (g) **JCG.** It was reported that the March edition has been well prepared in all aspects. It was pointed out that there is a discount for local residents to attend Brigadoon, and details about applying for the discount are contained in the March edition. Planning for next edition has already begun: Helen Clark and Annie Goodrich will be joint guest editors.
- (h) **Bundanoon 150 signs.** These will be adjusted and in place next week to read – ‘Welcome to Bundanoon. PLEASE SLOW DOWN NOW.’ (in black reflective text).
- (i) **Website.** There are ongoing discussions with Anton Baggerman about drawing up a set of the specifications required.
- (j) **School Principal.** At the farewell and “thank you” for the retiring Principal, Robyn Versluis, some members met and welcomed Linda Wilbraham, the new Principal. BCA has had a meeting with Linda to continue the important and strong relationship between the community and the school.
- (k) **Ellsmore Road.** Clr Scandrett was invited to report on the work being done. He explained that the work will be done in two stages; the second stage will be carried out after winter to allow for the surface to settle in; some trees will need to be removed at “pinch points”, but replanting will take place. He also reported that Erith St will be resealed in the new financial year.
- (l) **Hospice.** Negotiations are proceeding for the purchase by the Southern Highlands Community Hospice of one hectare of land from Warrigal Aged Care Centre, with entry from Old Wingello Road. BCA has spoken to WSC about the village’s support for the project, and about willingness to participate and support the work ahead. Around \$1.3M will need to be raised to build the facility, so it will be some time before it will be completed. There is a significant tree on the potential site which BCA may need to have a role in preserving.
- (m) **Security around Hall.** This concern was sparked by a bottle placed on the flag pole, and a report that young persons had been up on the Hall and shop awnings on the last two Saturdays at about 2am, gaining access via a shop rear roof which is quite low, but from there having access right along the shops and Hall. Police are going to patrol there on next Saturday night. Chris Richmond from WSC is to come to the village on Thursday next week to discuss increasing the safety and security around the Hall.

3. Correspondence

from BCA to Council, cc Men’s Shed and Brigadoon, regarding storage in the area at the end of Burgess Street. The area allocated to BCA for its storage shed is Crown Land. Both Men’s Shed and Brigadoon have responded, and there will be ongoing dialogue.

4. Announcement

Members were reminded that the Bundanoon Community Garden's annual event: "Grow Cook Eat" is to be held this Sunday in Moss Vale, near to Moss Vale Community Garden, at the former bowling club.

Thanks were extended to John and Jane from The Terrace Tea Shop for preparing the supper and to Patrick Fitzgerald for donating the wine.

The Meeting closed at 8.50 pm.