



BUNDANOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (BCA INC.)

GENERAL MEETING

7.30 pm, Thursday 20th October 2016

Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall

MINUTES

The Meeting opened at 7.30 pm

1. **Attendance** There were 34 members who signed the register, and there were 12 apologies.
2. **Welcome** The President acknowledged the traditional owners of this land, and welcomed members and visitor.
The President introduced Vern Cordingley, who had agreed to take over the position of Treasurer, and thanked the outgoing Treasurer, Julia Lemercier, for her contribution. He also announced that Andy Carnahan (apologies for this Meeting) will be joining the Committee.
3. **Confirmation of Minutes (tabled)** C. Janssen/B. Marshall moved and seconded that the Minutes of the General Meeting on 15th September 2016 be confirmed. Carried.
4. **Business arising from the Minutes**
 - (a) Draft of 'Protocols for Working of Sub-Committees': Geoff McCubbin explained that, as the Constitution allowed for delegation of authority to Sub-Committees, the 'Protocols' document outlined advice, in a user-friendly manner, on how matters might be organised by Convenors of Sub-Committees to allow for good financial management and governance. A variety of types is covered, now based on the type of budget each Sub-Committee is asked to prepare.
 - (b) Worn sign at north-eastern end of village: The Secretary reported that the sign had now been replaced.
 - (c) Lease of Hall by WSC to BCA: The President reported that the lease is currently being examined by Ann Fieldhouse, who had been asked to provide a legal opinion.
5. **Correspondence**

The Secretary listed the correspondence (apart from much email 'traffic'):

03.10.16: Letter and submission to WSC Traffic Engineer about the relocation of speed signs in Erith St

08.10.16: Email from Andy Carnahan to President about speed indicators in Erith St

06.10.16: Letter from WSC acknowledging receipt of BCA letter about Hall lease

07.10.16: Letter to WSC requesting grading of Evelyn St prior to Garden Ramble

09.10.16: Emails from President to newly elected WSC Mayor and Deputy Mayor

10.10.16: Letter from WSC advising DA for 50 Erith St withdrawn

12.10.16: Letter from Bundanoon Oval and Ferndale Reserve Management Committee about proposal for a sewerage dump point in Bundanoon

15.10.16: Letter to Bill Whitting commending his initiative in proposing the installation of a railway crossing opposite the Oval

15.10.16: Letter to Brigadoon Committee confirming that an amount of \$300 will be provided next year for a pipe and drum band to march along Railway Ave

6. President's Report

The President reported that he had that afternoon spoken with 2ST about the withdrawal of the DA for 50 Erith St; a further comment was that the land itself had now been withdrawn from sale. The President thanked Danien Beets for drafting the BCA submission, and commented that it was, however, the large number of individual submissions, over 240 of them, which had had the greatest impact.

Danien Beets expressed the opinion that the Bundanoon community needs to understand that it will not be able to withstand development, just like any other regional community. [See also below on Item 11 (a).]

The President noted that he had taken part in a preliminary viewing of the gardens in the Garden Ramble, and was impressed with their variety.

The President mentioned that a Convenors' Meeting had been held the previous Tuesday, where among other things the draft 'Protocols' document was discussed; in addition to calling for Sub-Committee budgets, plans were in hand for drawing up a general BCA budget for 2017, of which the Sub-Committee budgets would be a part.

The President also drew attention to the note attached to the Agenda that the new BCA website was now available for viewing.

7. Treasurer's Report (tabled)

The Treasurer spoke to her report which had been tabled; she pointed out that the entry for JCG Travel in the 'Profit and Loss' statement should be referred to JCG Food & Wine.

8. Matters referred on by Committee

- (a) Final recommendation about palm tree: The President explained that the Committee made a decision at its last Meeting, in light of the 'straw poll' taken at the last General Meeting suggesting that a majority was in favour of removing the tree rather than having unsightly poles, to contact WSC and state that the BCA now favoured the removal of the palm tree.

9. Sub-Committee Reports (tabled)

- (a) Sesquicentenary Legacies: Christine Miller reported that the new grand piano had been used a number of times now; there would be a distribution of *allocasuarina litoralis* seedlings on 5th November at the Bundanoon Club, from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm, free (in reasonable numbers) to local residents; and there had been an item in the local newspaper about plans for the regeneration of Leaver Park.
- (b) Other reports: Henk Janssen, Convenor of the Bundanoon Swimming Centre Sub-Committee, reported verbally that a visit to Maroubra Pool would take place next week to view the sort of cover which is under consideration for the Bundanoon Pool.

10. Information from WSC papers and press releases (tabled)

- (a) Elections results: Clr Ken Halstead as Mayor, and Clr Ian Scandrett as Deputy Mayor
- (b) The following local roads have been nominated for "black spot" funding:
 - (i) curves on Bundanoon Rd, Exeter, at Ringwood Rd
 - (ii) barrier fence on Erith St, Bundanoon, near Ardross Ave
 - (iii) curve on Penrose Rd, Bundanoon, at Coalmines Rd
- (c) A "No Parking" zone is to be installed on the southern side of Erith St, Bundanoon, for a distance of 30 metres east of Ellsmore Rd
- (d) Traffic arrangements and road closures approved for Bundy Run and Highland Fling on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th November

11. Any Other Business

- (a) Development of Rochester Estate: Geoff Bignall addressed the meeting on concerns about some aspects of the development at Rochester Estate, especially the plans for two-story houses, as out of character. Danien Beets remarked that current planning regulations do not prohibit buildings of more than one story. There is to be an onsite meeting with the Commissioner of the Land and Environment Court on 23rd November.
T. Ward/C. Miller moved and seconded that the BCA Committee be asked to make an evaluation of the matter and produce a recommendation in the time frame available.
Carried.
- (b) Updating of signs around Bundanoon: A comment had been received that some of the signs were out of date. The matter was referred to the Committee.
- (c) Christine Cassin passed on the information that she had been wrong about the relocation of the speed signs in Erith St; Google maps had revealed that they had been in their current positions for some years.
- (d) Announcements:
 - (i) Bundanoon Garden Ramble, next Saturday and Sunday, 22nd-23rd October
 - (ii) Geoff McCubbin announced that copies of the NBN brochure were available in The Good Yarn
 - (iii) The Mens' Shed would be setting up a display of art in the RSL Hall as part of the Arts Trail
 - (iv) There was to be an official Service of Re-Opening of the Bundanoon Uniting Church on Thursday 27th October

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Sub-Committee Reports – October 2016

Arts Bundanoon

On Saturday 1st October we were privileged to hear the Canberra-based pianist, Mia Huang. Mia has appeared three times for 'Music at 10'. Again, Mia proved that she is fulfilling the great promise we first heard in 2013. Despite being unwell, this highly talented person turned in an accomplished performance of music that was both technically difficult and musically challenging. A deeply satisfying performance by a genuine rising star.

In November, we will welcome back violinist, Ben Adler, and pianist, Alisa Yuko Bernard – both are highly popular with our audience and can always be relied upon to provide an exciting and rewarding performance: Saturday 5th November at 10:00am.

Greg Slater (Convenor)

JCG Food & Wine

The Mudgee trip on October 11-13 was voted a resounding success by the 36 locals who comprised the touring party.

The coach left from the Old Goods Shed at 8.30am and travelled by way of Goulburn and Taralga - a brief stop for morning tea - to Oberon, where we had lunch. Then straight on, skirting Bathurst and through Sofala, to Mudgee. The countryside all along the way was a spectacular shade of green - far lovelier than any of us had ever seen before.

Our first function in Mudgee was a cheese and wine tasting at High Valley. Here we sampled seven locally-produced cheeses and five wines and made our first contribution to the local economy. Then it was back to the Best Western Wanderlight motel, our home for the next two nights.

A traditional JCG Food & Wine "happy hour" featured smoked salmon, asparagus, grilled peppers, olives, cherry tomatoes and bocconcini, with appropriate beverages. The coach then took us into town to the Rajarani Indian restaurant, where a menu had been specially selected for us.

Wednesday's programme commenced with tastings of many varieties of honey and three meads, before a twenty-minute trip to historic Gulgong, famous as the "town on the ten-dollar note". Here we toured the unique museum, maintained by the local Historical Society. The route back to Mudgee was via Eurunderee, which provided more spectacular scenery.

A minor hiccup at the Di Lusso Estate, where lunch was not ready for us, was resolved by bringing forward our wine-tasting at the Pieter Van Gent winery, famous for its white ports. A generous sampling was enjoyed, in their traditional cellar setting.

By now lunch was ready, and we sat outside, comfortably demolishing the anti-pasti platters which had been provided. This was accompanied by tastings of several of the range of Italian-style wines produced here, with an entertaining commentary from owner Robert Fairall.

Something a bit different followed, as we split the party in two to visit the Baker Williams Distillery and Vinifera Wines, alternating between the two adjacent properties. After this, there was some free time to browse the shopping centre before "happy hour", which this time featured a wheel of brie, humus and other delicacies.

The highlight of the trip was undoubtedly our four-course dinner at the hatted Zin House restaurant. Here we were greeted by owner/chef Kim Currie and by Robert Lowe, whose wines accompanied a wonderful meal.

Before leaving the area we visited yet another historic gold-mining town, this time Rylstone. A tour and sampling at Rylstone Olive Press and time for a bit of a walk around the town preceded a lovely yum-cha lunch at the 29nine99 restaurant, an unexpected little country-town gem.

Not far into the homeward journey, about twenty kms before Lithgow, the coach blew a front tyre, a situation which was capably handled by Doug, our driver. This resulted in a delay of a little over an hour, but we were back in Bundanoon a little after six.

All-in-all a very successful trip.

Pam Davies and Ralph Clark (Convenors)

Leaver Park Group

Thursday 13th October was the inaugural Leaver Park bush regeneration busy bee and we had ten participants, three regular staff from Council, and Paul Marshall also popped by for the first hour. It was a great start.

Following some briefing from staff, the physical work on restoring this beautiful area began. The preparation of/for the volunteers by Council was very impressive and their explanations of roles and responsibilities, and legal requirements was very thorough. The equipment that is made available by Council for use on the day for the Bushcare Groups is excellent

Jenny, Kylie and Lizzie (Council staff) were very impressed with the location and encouraged by the plans we have. They were fully supportive of what we've achieved to date and had input as well. For example, in addition to the species list for the area already in place (prepared by Sylvia David), a critter list was started later that day when one of the girls returned at 4.30pm to see what she could find. And find she did – 14 different bird species, butterflies, and a frog, in just a quick visit!

At the moment our busy bees take place on the second Thursday of the month from 0900-1200. In due course, when we are more familiar and experienced with the work, with initial supervision, we anticipate being able to introduce a once-a-month Saturday morning busy bee in addition to the once-a-month Thursday.

Onward! At last.

Christine Miller (Convenor)

Melting Pot Theatre

Melting Pot Theatre held its fourth event for the year last Saturday (15th October). The day consisted of a matinee performance of the one-act play – “King Arthur’s Socks”, which was followed at 2pm with auditions for the four new locally written short plays, which were then Crash Tested to a packed hall at 5pm. “King Arthur’s Socks” had its second showing following the Crash Test part of the show and it showed off the talents of local actors and the skill of the Director, Jan Kenny. It was a great day of live theatre - thanks to all for the huge effort in making it happen.

“King Arthur’s Socks” is then to go on the road – to Penrose Hall on Friday 21st and to the Colo Vale Community Centre on Saturday 22nd. MPT’s first venture outside Bundanoon!

We now race towards Saturday 19th November, when we will be reprising the eight winning plays from the 2016 Crash Test Drama heats as fully produced 10-minute plays. There is a wonderful mix of comedy and drama lined up and we hope to see you there.

\$10 entry with a showtime of 5pm.

And then we have the Christmas Variety Show! A definite date for the diary, Saturday 17th December, as we celebrate the third year of staging this show, which promises to be as spectacular as ever.

For details of what the Melting Pot Theatre group are up to, visit the webpage:

www.meltingpottheatre.org.au

Pat Brennan (Convenor)

Membership

Welcome to new BCA Members:

Tony and Suzy Molyneux	Ruth Rogan
Peter Poole	Carol and Robert Richmond
Marjorie Parsons	Alan Matthews
Alec Bailey	Jan O'Neill
Ray Kent	Jennifer and Terrence Lemcke
Gai Grimshaw	Renate and Gerhard Fricke

Since September BCA Meeting, 49 renewals have been received.

BCA Membership total is 377

Tony Ward (Convenor)

The Rex Cinema

The Rex Cinema will be screening a double feature on Saturday 28 October featuring:

'Crackerjack' and **'The Dish'**.

The programme for the night:

Doors open	6:15pm
Short film	6:30pm
'Crackerjack'	6:35pm
Interval and refreshments	8:00pm
'The Dish'	8:30pm
Finish	10:15pm

One ticket gets you two films!

Both films are great examples of low budget, laugh out loud, film writing and production . . . and don't miss an outrageous short film from Tropfest to start with.

Stuart Reid (Convenor)

Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Nothing to report, except to say that Pat Hall's appointment as Convenor was confirmed at the September BCA General Meeting. The Association's thanks are extended to Pat for taking this position on.

Bruce Marshall (Secretary)

The following Convenors indicated that there was nothing to report from their Sub-Committees for the last month:

Bundanoon Swimming Centre (Henk Janssen)

De Meyrick Reserve (Peter Papps)

Needles & Natter (Andrea Ward)

Roy Terry Reserve (John White)

Welcome Packs (Jennifer and John White)