

# CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MEETING

7.00PM THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2007

## MINUTES

### ***1. Attendees and Apologies***

Peter Marshall (Chair), Jan Booth, Judy Cross, Elizabeth Estbergs, Christine Kennedy, Anita King, Melissa Pollard (Minutes), Sandy Pollard.

Apologies: Chris Sandow, John Sandow, Maggie Smith, Chrissie Uncles, Vernon Uncles, Alex Wells.

### ***2. Minutes of previous meeting***

The minutes of the meeting held 15 February were accepted with minor amendments.

### ***3. Business arising***

#### ***a. Bulk Water***

The issue of access to bulk water, previously discussed at the December 2006 meeting, had arisen again. It was the understanding of those present that a workable arrangement had been reached with the Council for the time being, but that this issue should continue to be monitored.

#### ***b. Captains Flat telegraph,***

It was agreed that an ink cartridge should be paid for by the Association.

### ***4. Correspondence***

IN:

Invitation to the President and Vice-Presidents to the opening of the new SES Headquarters was received.

OUT:

Nil

### ***5. President's report***

The President advised that he had spoken with Capital Region Area Consultative Committee about grant opportunities.

### ***6. Treasurer's report***

The Treasurer's Report was tabled, discussed and accepted.

Moved: Jan; Seconded: Peter.

**7. *Community organisations' reports***

a. RFS

Christine Kennedy reported on behalf of the RFS and advised that the fire season finishes at the end of March. From 1 April no permits to burn will be required but property owners must still adhere to the law.

Christine also outlined the involvement of the RFS in Braidwood's Heritage Day.

b. SES

Judy Cross reported on behalf of the SES and reiterated that the official opening of the new SES Headquarters would take place the following weekend.

Judy advised that the SES contributed to the Braidwood Heritage Day by providing traffic control.

**8. *Subcommittees' reports***

a. Markets

See attached report.

b. Ball

No report this month.

**9. *Representatives' reports***

a. Mines Rehabilitation Committee

No report this month.

b. Palerang Heritage Committee

Elizabeth Estbergs discussed an article that had appeared in the Bungandore Mirror on 28 February regarding recommendations made by the Palerang Heritage Committee to the Palerang Council. For details, see attached article.

c. Palerang Tourism Committee

This committee had not met.

**10. *Section 355 Committees' reports***

a. Hall

Jan Booth reported that the Hall was to be used as a polling booth for the NSW election to be held on 24 March.

b. War memorial

Jan discussed arranging pruning of shrubbery around the memorial prior to ANZAC Day.

**11. *Reports on other projects and activities***

a. Cemetery

No report.

b. Rail Trail

The meeting was advised that the Rail Trail Committee had met in Bungandore on Thurs 8 March and that Dennis Puniard would now be more involved in this project.

c. Website

A detailed website report was tabled and discussed. Members were reminded that the domain name charge is due soon (possibly June).

**Action:** Peter to send cheque for three months web hosting to service provider.

## ***12. General business***

a. NSW State elections

Elizabeth Estbergs raised issue of whether the Community Association could run the Coffee Shop at the Hall when it is used for a polling booth on 24 March. The meeting concluded that this could not be done as the Electoral Commission had rented whole hall.

b. Heritage Event (see attached notice from Elizabeth)

Those present discussed options for event to commemorate the closure of the mine. One possibility discussed was having a Ned Kelly film festival and establishing a film society.

**Action:** Elizabeth and Melissa to investigate some options.

c. Grease

Anita has spoken with APRA (the Australian Performing Rights Association) and it would cost approximately \$2000 for the Community Association to stage this production.

**Action:** Anita to explore other options.

d. ANZAC Day

It was agreed that as the dawn service held each year is an unofficial gathering of a few interested people, it would be promoted through word of mouth rather than through the Community Association.

e. Public Address System (PA)

The Community Association had been successful in its grant application for a PA and Sandy advised that he was preparing to purchase the equipment. Those present discussed the specifications for such a system, established that electricity can usually be sourced wherever the system needs to be used and so the focus should be on purchasing a quality PA system, with a battery pack not needed.

f. Seniors luncheon held

Judy Cross advised that a very successful Seniors' Luncheon had been held. The lunch was well attended by people from the local area and the seniors are interested in more activities.

g. ACT Caravan Club.

Chris Sandow had passed on a request that the Community Association write to the ACT Caravan Club expressing regret and concern over the vandalism that they had incurred while camped in the park at Captains Flat. Anita advised that there had been similar problems with local youth at the fishing competition held at the Captains Flat dam recently with damage done to the dam controls.

**Action:** President to write letter to Monaro Local Area Commander asking for police action.

h. Television reception

Some present reported ongoing problems with television reception in Captains Flat. Council has concluded that there is nothing wrong with the repeater and that the problem is likely to be caused by some type of interference. It was understood that a technician would be coming out to assess problem soon.

**Action:** Sandy to ring Country Energy about interference through west end of Foxlow Street.

### ***13. Next Meeting***

7pm Thursday 19 April, Captains Flat Hall.

Item 8.a

Markets Report to CFCA Meeting-15 March 2007

The Plaza Theatre Café has been well received by market goers and stallholders. We hope its patronage will increase as more people realize that it is 'up and running'.

In March we welcomed two new stallholders and also saw the commencement of the jewellery making classes. Doris is enthusiastic about the classes, it is hoped she will be well supported by the community. She is offering courses for adults and children.

There will be no April market. The next market day is Saturday 5 May.

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Item 12b.

Text of email from Elizabeth Estbergs:

Heritage

According to the definitive website

[http://www.nswrail.net/locations/show.php?name=NSW:Captains+Flat&line=NSW:captains\\_flat:0](http://www.nswrail.net/locations/show.php?name=NSW:Captains+Flat&line=NSW:captains_flat:0)

the Captains Flat Railway opened 7 June 1940 and closed 31 Aug 1968 (and reopened 8 Aug 1969 closed 27 Aug 1969).

I was wondering if we could organise an "event" to celebrate the closure, on either date. Which would mean planning commencing soon for August 2008 or 2009.

One reason for the later date is to hold a screening of Ned Kelly in the Hall. We now have a resident in town who is a model railway aficionado and so a display could be arranged. Other low cost, low impact events could include a walk along the railway line, tour of the railway infrastructure etc.

Is this a feasible idea?

Elizabeth Estbergs

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Item 12f

Text of email received from Judy Cross:

I attended the Seniors Lunch today 13/3/2007 at the Outsider.

The lunch was funded by the Council. There was about 40 people in attendance including:  
Deputy Mayor and his wife  
Local District Nurse  
Christine Kennedy (CFA)

Kym Salton (SES)  
and I represented both the Community Association and Centrelink.

The local seniors had a great time they didn't stop talking and really enjoyed their meal. Christine and Gunther put on a great spread.

The district nurse gave out brochures on the services available to seniors in Queanbeyan.

Christine Kennedy spoke about the importance of smoke detectors and if the seniors needed help with their installation or changing batteries they could contact her.

I gave out Centrelink showbags.

Kym Salton spoke to individuals inviting them to the opening of the new SES buildings on Saturday 17/3/2007.

Great day had by all.

Judy Cross