

CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEETING

7.00PM THURSDAY 17th APRIL 2008

MINUTES - DRAFT

1. Attendees and Apologies

Peter Marshall (Chair) John Sandow (Secretary) Chris Sandow, Elizabeth Estbergs, Alex Fry,

Apologies: Sandy Pollard, Melissa Pollard, Catherine Moore, Claudia Koelndorfer, Anne Fry.

2. Minutes of previous meetings

Meeting of Tuesday 15th January 2008: Accepted (moved JS, seconded CS)

Meeting of Thursday 21st February 2008: Accepted (moved CS, seconded PM)

Meeting of Thursday 27th March 2008: Accepted with minor corrections (moved EE, seconded AF)

Note that these minutes will be available on the Captains Flat website captainsflat.org.

3. Business arising (from March meeting)

- a. CF Swimming Pool issues. President had written to Council identifying the shortcomings described by Bernie Foy.
- b. Acknowledgment of Judy Gribble and Bernie Foy's efforts as pool attendants. Secretary had drafted letter to Council, copied to Bernie and Judy.
- c. State Government enquiry on local water and sewerage utilities. President has drafted response which he circulated at the meeting. **Action all: Comments requested by Tuesday 22 April.**
- d. Membership of STARTS. Secretary had contacted this organisation but they had no record of membership application. **Action: Secretary to check whether Judy Cross has taken any action and if not to proceed directly through STARTS office.**
- e. Proceeds of 2007 Captains Flat Ball. A cheque for \$2000 had been sent to the Principal of the CF Primary School (Peter Cox) with a request for specific feedback on the use of the money in the proposed community arts project.

It was noted that the proceeds of the 2006 Ball had not all been spent by the Jingera Pre-School. There was some discussion about whether the remaining funds should be offered again to the Pre-School or allocated to the running of

the next CF Ball. The Committee passed this decision to the Ball Committee.

- f. TV reception. Alex noted some improvement in reception which suggested that the changes mooted by Council may have already been implemented. It was of concern that the improvements were still focused on the analog system. Given the impending move to digital transmission, the Committee raised the question about how this change would be implemented in Captains Flat. A letter to the appropriate authority requesting further information was considered worthwhile some time in the future.
- g. Junior rugby league match. Alex reported that the Harman Seadogs had not yet committed to a date but that the first home match to coincide with a market day was 2nd August. **Action: Alex to work toward securing this date for the match in CF and to ask Council if they could remark the lines on the oval.**

4. Correspondence

In: Certificate of Insurance
Bank statement
Ideas Expo 2008 brochure and invitation
Invitation to Capital Regional Area Consultation Committee Forum in Bungendore

Out: To Council identifying pool problems
To Principal of CF Primary School with cheque for 2007 Ball proceeds

5. President's report

The President noted that attendance at Community Association meetings had been disappointing over the last three months. The President is considering placing an article about the Association in the CF Telegraph, including a membership form (if possible) and inviting interest from the CF community. The secretary indicated he would be willing to assist with this.

6. Treasurer's report

The report "As of March 2008" was accepted as tabled by Ed Whalan (moved PM, seconded CS).

The President has raised with the treasurer the opportunity to reconcile the current balance against those major incomings that can be historically identified; notably the Pathway to Gold grant, the Miners' Memorial grant, the Swimming Pool, the Annual Ball and the Markets. It was agreed that such a reconciliation would assist in allocating funds going forward. **Action: Treasurer to attempt the reconciliation with input from relevant committee and community members.**

It was agreed that in the interim, \$5000 would be transferred to a term deposit (to be identified by the treasurer and reported to the Committee). A further assessment of interest bearing deposit opportunities would be made following the reconciliation. **Action: Treasurer to transfer \$5000 to term deposit.**

The Treasurer's report tabled at the March meeting "As of February 2008" was also considered. The outgoings shown in the report as "Community activities - \$130.91" and the postal charges were identified as the candles for Carols by Candlelight and post box rental respectively. The report was accepted (moved: PM, seconded EE).

7. Community organisations' reports

- a. Captains Flat Rural Fire Brigade – no report
- b. SES – no report

8. Subcommittees' reports

- a. Markets

Report as circulated by Chris Sandow prior to the meeting:-

"The Senior's Week morning tea was well attended and the initiative received many favourable comments. It is hopefully now "on the calendar" as an annual event. Thanks to the young artists at Jingera Pre-school and CF Primary School the Plaza theatre Café was a colourful setting for the event.

The visit by local MP Steve Whan was appreciated by the community, especially seniors with whom he spent a considerable amount of time.

Mothers' Day will be the focus of the next market on 3rd May."

Chris noted that she intended sending Steve Whan an informal thank you for his attendance. The Committee approved expenditure of up to \$50 by CS to put together a Mother's Day Hamper for the May Markets. Tickets would be for sale on the day.

- b. Ball

2007 proceeds had been delivered to the Primary School (see elsewhere).

- c. Mine Mural

JS reported that he had not progressed further with identifying suitable grants but noted that the proposed reconciliation of current assets would help to determine how much of existing Association funds could reasonably be allocated to the project. The possibility of seeking assistance from the Mulwarre Trust (Woodlawn) was raised. **Action: Secretary to pursue.**

9. Palerang-wide Section 355 reports

- a. Mines Rehabilitation Committee

JS had received an informal suggestion that more work may be done on the new dam on Old Mines Road to create a more effective barrier to wayward vehicles.

- b. Palerang Heritage Committee

EE reported that this committee is scheduled to meet on 30th April. She has taken photographs of a number of the wooden bridges currently being considered for heritage value.

- c. Palerang Tourism Committee

EE reported that this committee is yet to meet. EE has requested information

on the committee's intended timetable from Debbie Ferguson. There was some speculation that the King's Highway to Discovery may be taking over the agenda. **Action: EE to draft (for the Secretary) a formal query to Council asking for information on the Tourism Committee's activity.**

- d. Palerang Cultural Development Committee
PM reported that the most recent meeting of this committee appeared to be partly derailed by regional conflict around petty issues. As a result, he has little confidence currently in the Committee's capacity for unanimous action. He noted that the minutes of the Palerang-wide Section 355 Committees are on the council's website.

10. Local Section 355 reports

- a. Hall
CS reported that the recent visit and use of the hall by the Ariel Motor Cycle Club had been very successful.
- b. Wilkins Memorial Park
The inaugural meeting of this committee is scheduled for 6pm on 23 April. The agenda focuses on direction setting. CF members are PM, Anita King and Claudia Koelndorfer. A fourth position is available and Alex Fry expressed interest in attending.

11. Reports on other projects and activities

- a. Cemetery
Signs indicating the sections of the cemetery are in hand but not yet erected. **Action: EE to co-opt a band of helpers and nominate a date to erect the signs.** It was agreed that the Association would pay for the cement required to bed the posts.
- b. Website
Up to date.

12. General business

- a. Landcare
CS reported that Wendy Hodgman had requested that the Association consider where they might suggest a Wollomi Pine could be planted. Regional Landcare groups were receiving a sapling in recognition of their local community work and Wendy would appreciate input from the wider community. Suggestions included Wilkins Park, the War Memorial (perhaps in association with a "Lone Pine"), within the boundary of the swimming pool, at the school or at the Community Garden site (yet to be determined). CS will feed these suggestions back to Wendy.
- b. Anzac Day
Insurance for the Anzac Day parade will be covered by the Community Association policy. Alex Fry has investigated the power point on the pole near the war memorial and is of the opinion that Country Energy is unlikely to commission it. Nevertheless Alan Rankin is pursuing the matter. In the event that it cannot be activated, power should be drawn from the pool grounds.

Alex will contact Sandy Pollard re the PA system. CS is organising Orders of Service.

- c. Local Government water Enquiry.
Feedback on PM's proposed submission by Tuesday (see above).
- d. Community Garden
The site originally suggested for this initiative was next to the Pre-School. Bernie Foy has suggested next to the Police Station. **Action: PM to write requesting Council formally allocate land to this purpose, and indicating proposed sites.**
- e. Kerr's Creek
An action arising from the January meeting (item 12b General Business) was for Kim Salton to write to Council expressing SES concerns over the hazards associated with the overflow of Kerr's Creek under storm conditions. It is not known whether this letter has been sent. **Action: Secretary to pursue the matter with the SES.**

13. Next Meeting

7.00pm Thursday 15th May 2008