

CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Meeting,
Wednesday 18 August 2004

The meeting opened at 7.35pm.

Present: Peter Marshall
Jan Booth
Christine Sandow
Elizabeth Estbergs
Christine Kennedy
Alex Wells
Kim Salton
Karen Ross

APOLOGIES John Sandow
Brenda Steeper
Lisa Ramsay

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of 21 July were accepted by Elizabeth Estbergs and seconded by Christine Kennedy.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jan Booth tabled an overdue BOC account which Peter Marshall will forward to the RSL for payment.

Karen Ross tabled a letter from Queanbeyan City Council re permission for the market's road signage. In principle approval has been given on the basis that the signs meet certain conditions. The committee discussed the size of the current signs and there was general agreement that these may have to be redone to comply with Council's requirements. Karen to forward the letter to Brenda Steeper.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Peter Marshall reported that Lisa Ramsay send her apologies and that there was no President's report to table. Lisa also advised Peter that she intended to resign as President. The committee accepted this verbal request and asked Peter to advise Lisa that she would need to provide her resignation in writing.

TREASURER'S REPORT

See attached. Peter Marshall tabled the report and it was accepted by Kim Salton.

COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS REPORTS

POOL COMMITTEE

Peter Marshall advised that the AGM had been postponed until the committee was allocated a councilor.

LAND CARE

Jan Booth advised that there had been no recent meeting of the group. However, the Mologolo Catchment Group had met on Tuesday, 17 August. This meeting was attended by Claudia Nye and Terry Keanian. Jan advised that she was still waiting on a response from Council regarding the cutting down of the willows.

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Kim Salton reported that there had been no major incidents in the preceding month except for a broken arm at the local school and a recent motor accident on the Captains Flat Road, about 10kms from Queanbeyan. The committee discussed the accident and the state of the road. It was decided that Kim writes an article for the Telegraph advising residents to take care on the road considering its state of repair.

Peter Marshall raised the issue of signage requesting drivers to 'turn on their headlights' at all times. After discussion it was agreed that this was an RTA issue. However, Kim was requested to speak to the local police regarding general driver safety in the town.

Kim also advised that the Emergency Numbers brochure had been printed with magnets attached and that they would be distributed with the next few weeks. Peter Marshall to organize a cheque for \$15 for costs.

FIRE BRIGADE

Christine Kennedy advised that there had been no major incidents. She also advised that the fire season had been brought forward to 1 September 2004 and that all burn-offs had to be by permit only. Contact number for Fire Control is 6297 1840 (business hours only) and neighbours had to be given 24 hours notice.

The committee then discussed the Brindabella Motorcar Rally due in town on 18 September. The Rally organizers had booked the community hall and it was assumed that the Fire Brigade would provide a sausage sizzle as per previous years.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Association AGM – After general discussion, the committee decided to hold the AGM on 20 October 2004 commencing at 7pm in the Community Hall. Karen Ross to request Fay to include this information in the next edition of The Telegraph.

Bungendore Mirror – Karen Ross to forward the minutes of the meeting to Faye to write an article for the Mirror. Jan Booth to speak to Fay about this commitment.

Karen to request Faye to write an article about the refurbishment of the Captains Flat Cemetery, requesting input from readers of the Mirror.

The committee also discussed the great coverage (front page) received from the recent edition of the Mirror on the markets.

Carer's Support – Christine Kennedy advised that this group had held a meeting in Captains Flat to gauge the current need. This is a funded program for people with mental health issues. It was decided that the town was too small and therefore it would be easy to identify people who used the service.

NCOSS - A report from NCOSS was tabled.

Miners Memorial – Jan Booth advised that the plaque for the miners killed at the mine needed to be placed as close as possible to the memorial. However, as the memorial has already been commemorated, the plaque will need to be placed close by. Jan to organize the placement.

Markets – Peter Marshall reported that there had been an additional three stallholders however customers were down for the recent markets held on Saturday, 7 August. Income was \$237.60, see Treasurer's Report. A popular new stall that sold timber slabs was:

Graham Pratt
Mobile Sawmilling & Fine Furniture
West Wylong
PH: 02 6972 0535
Mob: 4040 462 406

He also reported that the Outsider will have a jazz band at the next markets.

The committee noted that the markets now needed a sub-committee who would be responsible for its organization.

Ball Committee – Christine Sandow advised that the committee had met three times and was in the process of seeking sponsorship for the ball. There had been progress on the theme 'Step Back in Time' and the band 'The Fuellers' had been booked for 27 November 2004.

The ball committee will be raising funds at all future markets by selling tea/coffee and soup. Tickets for the ball will also be on sale at the markets. There are only 140 tickets available.

Peter Marshall reported that after reading the insurance documentation, there appeared to be no issue with coverage for the ball or the consumption of alcohol.

Tourism Meeting – Jan Booth reported that she had attended the last tourism meeting and that the new Council had accepted Talaganda Tourism as the new 355 committee. This she reported was of concern to the newly created tourism committee that represented the whole of the shire. Minutes of the meeting are attached.

Keer's Creek – Elizabeth Estbergs reported that the bridge (near the Post Office) had no name and that it is recommended to call it Kerr's Creek. Discussions with council have resulted in council agreeing to erect a sign however the creek is currently not gazetted. Elizabeth reported that she has the relevant forms to organize the gazetting and the committee agreed for Elizabeth to coordinate the project.

Directory of Services – Elizabeth Estbergs advised that she had not received any contributions for the directory. The committee advised that this was valuable project and urged Elizabeth to pursue its completion.

Pedal Power – Jan Booth reported that a meeting was to be held at Bungendore on Thursday, 9 September. She also reported that she had been in contact with the Secretary of the Hoskinstown Association about the project. The committee requested that Jan and Peter attend the meeting.

Alex Wells – Alex Wells requested a letter of support from the committee to renew as a JP for a period of 5 years. The committee agreed and Alex is to draft a letter and send to Karen Ross for signing.

The committee also requested that Alex write a short article for publication in the Telegraph. The article should also include his contact telephone number.

Cemetery – Elizabeth Estbergs advised that she was in the process of researching the residents of the cemetery through various means. Kim Salton advised that there was a fire at council in around 1955 that destroyed all records and that would make it difficult to complete the research. The committee gave Elizabeth a number of contacts to assist her in the project.

Elizabeth advised that she was trying to source funding for signage to incorporate the endangered plant species as well as the names of the people who are buried in the cemetery. She is also trying to get Council to survey the site; however this was proving difficult as she needed to prove ownership of the cemetery. Council was though erecting the 'blue & white' cemetery sign within two weeks.

Elizabeth's next project will be a drive brochure highlighting cemetery sites in the new shire.

Elizabeth also reported that she had organized a meeting with a Heritage Office on Friday, 20 August to assess the value of the Captains Flat cemetery.

The community association commended Elizabeth on her dedication to this important project.

Next Meeting – Scheduled for Wednesday, 15 September 2004 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

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