

# CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MEETING

7.00PM WEDNESDAY 21st JANUARY 2009

## MINUTES

### 1. *Attendees and Apologies*

Peter Marshall (Chair) John Sandow (Secretary), Paul Cockram, Judy Cross, Elizabeth Estbergs, Alex Fry, Katrina Gamble, Kerrie Johnston, Chris Sandow

Apologies: Anita King, Ed Whalan

### 2. *Minutes of previous meeting*

Accepted as a true record [Chris Sandow, seconded Peter Marshall]

### 3. *Business arising*

Mtg REF 2008	WHAT	WHO	PROGRESS
19 June	Request Alan Rankin to investigate indoor sports equipment available	Alex Fry	Qbn Council offered this equipment to Palerang. Alan has no info. AF awaiting return call from Gordon Cunningham
17 July	Compare services of the Commonwealth and Bendigo Banks and make recommendations	Peter Marshall	C'wealth interest rates are low in transaction accounts. Bendigo offers ~3% but there is a fee for transactions through local PO. EW to report next month on direct comparison between C'wealth (2 accounts; 1 working, and a term deposit) and Bendigo
21 Aug	Jason Platt to be requested to dig Cemetery post holes. Signs to be erected.	Liz Estbergs/ Anita King	Ongoing
18 Sept	Wilkins Park s355 Committee minutes to be circulated to Association members	Peter Marshall	Recent meeting minutes will be circulated
23 Oct	Enquire whether s355 Tourism Committee is going ahead.	Paul Cockram	Ongoing
23 Oct	Continue to source appropriate funding for mine adit interpretative display.	John Sandow	Ongoing
23 Oct	Respond to enquirer re wheelie bins	John Sandow	Done

20 Nov	Consider publishing CFCA minutes summary	Alex Fry	Proposal to identify items of interest during the meeting and circulate via a hand-out at the Markets. (Could also be posted on Council website?)
18 Dec	Follow up Hall roof repair report with Council	Hall committee	Infrastructure grants have been considered by Council and \$40,000 has been allocated to hall roof repair
18 Dec	Determine if a 2009 fishing competition is planned	Anita King	No competition planned
18 Dec	Clean Up Australia marketing plans	John Sandow	In the absence of a formal exercise, suggest a note in the CFT encouraging local residents to make an effort in their own patch
18 Dec	Determine RFB & SES interest in CUA	Peter Marshall	No formal involvement planned
18 Dec	Schedule January meeting to discuss child care proposal	Peter Marshall	Meeting held - pre-school buildings no longer involved
18 Dec	Copy of original letter re Eagle Phone to CS	Peter Marshall	To be done

#### **4. Correspondence**

**In:** Letters from Palerang Council dated 14 November and 8 December respectively in response to the Association's letter of 16 October regarding the roof of the Hall and weeds in Kerrs Creek were noted.  
 Invitation from Queanbeyan Council to participate in a "Boating Day" on the Queanbeyan River on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February.  
 The Hon Jenny Macklin MP – advising success of Captains Flat Community Association application for funds through the 2008 Volunteer Grant Program.  
 Bank statement  
 Account from Markets and Fairs

**Out:** Response from Community Association to rural resident's enquiry regarding Council supply of Sulo rubbish bins.

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

The President noted the 2008 Volunteer Grant Program contribution of \$4,200 toward a data projector, fax/copier and laptop computer. The Committee congratulated Peter on his successful application and noted that some research would be required to obtain the best equipment for use in the Community Hall. **Action: Secretary to investigate potential projection equipment.**

PM also reported on his discussions with Council (as a private citizen) regarding the frequent contamination of the recycling bins in Wilkins Memorial Park with household waste. Council had considered 2 approaches, repositioning the bins, and greater regulation of their use. The latter approach was preferred and might, in the first instance, involve the erection of signs. There is a risk that the bins will be removed if they continue to be abused.

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

The report was tabled and accepted. (Moved: P Marshall; Seconded: K Gamble)  
The President noted a request from the Treasurer that there be 4 signatories (currently 3) for the cheque account. It was proposed that authorised signatories be President, two Vice Presidents and the Treasurer. The committee accepted the proposal on the proviso that the Constitution of the Association allows for 4 signatories (**Action: PM to check**).

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

### **a. Captains Flat Rural Fire Brigade**

No formal report was presented however it was noted that the next fire-fighting course was due to commence shortly. Prospective recruits needed to act quickly not to miss out. Lake George Zone Controllers are understood to have earmarked some of the brigade vehicles for resumption because of concerns about safety of "sideways" seating. It was not clear how soon this might occur or whether any affected vehicle would be replaced.

### **b. SES**

No training had been conducted during December or January but there had been several CFR and SES callouts principally holiday related. "Fridge" phone list is still in preparation.

## **8. Subcommittees' reports**

### **a. Markets**

CS advised that the first market for 2009 is on 7 February. Enquiries from stall holders have already been received indicating that keen interest is being maintained. A new calendar of associated events and the BBQ roster are in preparation.

### **b. Ball**

No report. **Action: Secretary to ask Brenda Carter for the final report and accounts.**

## **9. Palerang-wide Section 355 reports**

### **a. Mines Rehabilitation Committee**

No report. (Secretary had requested an update from Scott Brooks at DPI who had indicated that no funding was available to the Lake George Mine for 2008/09 but that a site visit was planned to assist in preparing the 2009/10 budget allocation.)

### **b. Palerang Heritage Committee**

No meeting to report.

### **c. Palerang Tourism Committee**

**Action: Paul Cockram will investigate whether this committee is active.**

### **d. Palerang Cultural Development Committee**

Preparation for Australia Day celebrations were discussed. CS reported that preparations for the Captains Flat function were in hand with the assistance of KJ and JC. Sound system would be set up and operated by JS and Sandy Pollard.

## ***10. Local Section 355 reports***

### **a. Community Hall**

The (Commonwealth) Local Government Infrastructure Grants have been allocated by the Palerang Council. \$40,000 has been earmarked for repairs to the roof of the Hall with a further \$10,000 allocated for installing lighting at the tennis court. It was noted that the hall repair however may use the total grant of \$50,000.

The Community Hall Renewal Fund has been announced by the State Government. An application is being prepared by the s355 Hall Committee. CFCA members are also requested to submit their ideas and priorities for this application by 20 February. (Ideas should be provided to Jan Booth or Chris Sandow). Some suggestions already being considered include: painting (inside and outside), dual flush toilets, toilet for use by disabled people, new chairs, new stage curtains, rainwater tank, stage screen and replacement water pipes.

Funds available through this scheme are to be allocated as a two for one supplement to cash and in-kind community inputs. There was some discussion as to whether Council inputs could be legitimately claimed as “matchable” funding.

### **b. Wilkins Memorial Park**

PM noted that the refurbishment of the tennis court was now complete. **Action: the WMP committee to send letters acknowledging the efforts of those involved.** AF mooted the possibility of a “Palerang Shield” rugby union game to be staged in Captains Flat in 2010 between the Bungendore Mudhooks and the Braidwood Redbacks. There was also a chance that Wilkins Park could host some season union games this year. These would be in addition to the annual rugby league game which was inaugurated in 2008.

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

### **a. Cemetery – no report. Holes for signage still to be dug by Jason Platt**

### **b. Website**

PM reported that the site now has a “clickable” map with pop-ups indicating features of interest including photographs.

**Action: PM to place an article in the CFT encouraging residents to advise him of upcoming events for addition to the website.**

The Kings Highway to Discovery website is now up and running and there will be opportunities for CFCA to add items of interest.

### **c. Mine mural – no report**

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

### **a. Inquiry into secure and sustainable urban water supply and sewerage services for non-metropolitan NSW**

PM spoke to this report (which is available at [http://www.dwe.nsw.gov.au/water/utilities\\_local.shtml](http://www.dwe.nsw.gov.au/water/utilities_local.shtml)) noting that it made a number of wide-ranging recommendations but appeared to have ignored community submissions. One management option proposed is the transfer of water supply and sewerage assets, related staff and service delivery responsibilities from

councils to a council owned regional water corporation. Peter encouraged members to view the report.

b. Community Garden

PM noted that no response had been received from Council since this proposal was put to them some time ago. **Action: Paul Cockram to follow up and request a response.** AF also raised some concern that the project appeared to be uncoordinated. Bernie Foy had shown considerable interest in pursuing the idea yet the Association had little or no input into his activities. **Action: Secretary to invite Bernie to speak about his ideas and plans at the next CFCA meeting.**

c. Public liability insurance

PM had received an endorsement to the insurance policy which appeared to exclude cover for stall holders at the market. A number of the policy exclusions were discussed. **Action: PM to follow up with the insurance broker and advise that changes made to the policy are not acceptable.**

d. Clean Up Australia day

It was agreed that there had been little community support for this day in recent years and that, given no fishing competition (which at least gathered together a crew of willing participants around the dam), there was no prospect of running a successful event in 2009. It was noted that Andrew Clive wanted a working bee to clean up Wilkins Memorial Park for Anzac Day and that it would make sense to hold that event on Clean Up Australia day.

### 13. Next Meeting

Wednesday 18 February 2009

#### ACTION LIST

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23 Oct 2008	Enquire whether s355 Tourism Committee is going ahead.	Paul Cockram
23 Oct 2008	Continue to source appropriate funding for mine adit interpretative display.	John Sandow
18 Dec 2008	Copy of original letter re Eagle Phone to CS	Peter Marshall
21 Jan 2009	Follow up Hall roof repair report with Council. Does \$40K or \$50K cover the costs?	Hall s355 Committee
21 Jan 2009	Submit ideas and priorities for Community Hall funding projects to Jan Booth or Chris Sandow by 20 February	All
21 Jan 2009	Clean Up Australia. Place note in CFT encouraging local residents to make an effort in their own patch	John Sandow
21 Jan 2009	Investigate potential projection equipment for hall	John Sandow
21 Jan 2009	Check whether constitution allows four signatories for cheques	Peter Marshall

21 Jan 2009	Obtain final report from 2008 Ball Committee	John Sandow
21 Jan 2009	Identify items of interest during Association meetings and circulate via a hand-out at the Markets	Alex Fry/ John Sandow
21 Jan 2009	Follow up indoor sports equipment availability through Gordon Cunningham	Alex Fry
21 Jan 2009	Report on direct comparison between C'wealth Bank (2 accounts; 1 working, and a term deposit) and Bendigo Bank	Ed Whalan
21 Jan 2009	Send letters of thanks and acknowledgment to those involved in the refurbishment of the tennis court	Wilkins Park Committee
21 Jan 2009	Place an article in the CFT encouraging residents to advise of upcoming events for addition to the website	Peter Marshall
21 Jan 2009	Follow up letter to Council about Community Garden	Paul Cockram
21 Jan 2009	Invite Bernie Foy to speak about the Community Garden project at the next CFCA meeting.	John Sandow
21 Jan 2009	Follow up public liability insurance with broker	Peter Marshall