

CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEETING

7.30PM WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2005

MINUTES

1. *Attendees and Apologies*

Attendees: Peter Marshall (Minutes), Brenda Carter, Jan Booth, Chris Sandow, John Sandow, Mel Pollard, Sandy Pollard, Sue Cameron, Anita King, Alex Wells (Chair), Andy King, Joel Murphy

Apologies: Christine Kennedy, Kim Salton, Judy Cross

2. *Minutes of previous meeting*

Some minor amendments were provided and noted. Jan moved the minutes be accepted, Seconded by Chris and carried.

3. *Business arising*

Kim noted that the description of Community First Responder status was incorrect, and volunteered to provide amended text for the minutes.

Jan circulated a slightly amended version of the Treasurer's Report distributed at the AGM.

Peter had attended the grant-writing workshop.

4. *Correspondence*

a) Clean Up Australia Day 2006

Alex offered to speak to Sean and Michelle about coordinating the date of the fishing competition, as in previous years. Peter would ask the Captains Flat Telegraph to publicise the planned activities for Clean Up Australia Day.

b) Insurance Renewal

There was a broad-ranging discussion on the insurance renewal. It was noted that many of the Association's activities (particularly the Markets and Ball) were potentially covered by the Council's insurance for the Community Hall, although in any one year the Association held more than the prescribed number of events, and therefore had to have its own insurance. It was not clear whether insurance was an absolute requirement of Incorporation, and it was agreed this would be investigated. Peter explained that the insurance premium appeared to be calculated on the basis of turnover, but there was no clear definition of what "turnover" meant. He believed this year's quote premium was higher than previously because of the increased turnover from the Ball, and agreed to enquire of the insurance brokers what needed to be included in the turnover figures, so that the Association is not paying more than it needs to.

c) Letter about swimming pool advisory committee

Noted.

5. *President's report*

Alex reported having corresponded with the General Manager of Palerang Council about rates.

In this context, Peter reported on the proceedings of the Rates Reference Group (reported in written form in *Flat Chat* Issue 2).



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6. *Treasurer's report*

Jan gave an oral report and would provide a written report at a later date.

After some discussion it was agreed that the Association would open a \$5000 Term Deposit with Bendigo Bank for a period of 90 days.

7. *Community organisations' reports*

- a) Landcare – No report. Jan asked that the Association write to Council about English(?) broom.
- b) RFS – In the absence of a formal report, Peter noted that there had been a small fire at the dam, caused by a campfire lit carelessly by teenagers; and a house fire at Stoney Creek.
- c) SES – written report provided (attached).

8. *Subcommittees' reports*

a) Markets

Chris reported there had been 24 stallholders at the December markets (including community organisations), and there had been a flyer distributed to all houses in the village, but that customer numbers were nonetheless very low. Takings were \$286.

b) Ball – a written report was provided (attached). A formal presentation of the cheque to the SES would take place shortly. The Ball Committee representatives also agreed to consider contributing towards the costs of insurance from future Ball takings. It was also agreed that consideration should be given to holding some kind of event for young people (children).

9. *Representatives' reports*

a) Mines rehabilitation committee

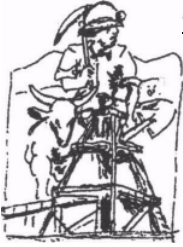
Earlier in the day, Sean Rossiter had arranged for some of the older residents (ex-miners) to meet with representatives of the Department of Primary Industries. It was unclear whether a public meeting would still take place.

b) Palerang Rates Reference Group – see written report in *Flat Chat*. It was noted that ratepayers had all expected a rates rise of 3.5%, and that they felt misled by Council's statements prior to the issuing of bills. It was also noted that Council had yet to provide any reason for the large variation in increases across the shire. The Community Association meeting resolved to insist that the starting point for any further increases should be the 2004-5 level of rates, and not the 2005-6 level.

c) Palerang Heritage Committee – Liz was currently attending the first meeting. Late in the Association meeting, Liz arrived and gave a brief rundown of the meeting. The main outcome was that Liz would be seeking suggestions for items that could be included on a Palerang Heritage Register.

d) CoPRA – Coalition of Palerang Residents' Associations – it was agreed that the establishment of CoPRA was generally a good thing, and the Community Association should continue to be represented. Peter agreed to continue to attend meetings.

10. *Section 355 Committees' reports*



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- a) Hall – no report.
- b) War memorial – no report.
- c) Town sign – no report.

11. Reports on other projects and activities

- a) Cemetery – no report.
- b) Rail Trail – no report.
- c) Directory of Services – Brenda offered to try to kickstart the development of the directory.
- d) Website – continued to be regularly updated.
- e) Tourism Group – the establishment of a Palerang Council Tourism Committee was noted, and Jan agreed to nominate herself as the Captains Flat representative.
- f) Back To The Flat – in the absence of any developments, it was agreed to remove this item from the agenda.
- g) Flat Chat – there was a general discussion of the relative roles of *Flat Chat* and the CF Telegraph, and it was agreed that the Association believes the two can co-exist.

12. General business

- a) Pre-school – Peter expressed concern that, if the pre-school were to close, the Playgroup would lose their venue, and if the building is not maintained the Pre-school may be lost forever. It was agreed that the Queanbeyan and Districts pre-school Association should be invited to attend a CF Community Association meeting to discuss the future of the pre-school and the building if the pre-school closes.
- b) BMX Track – a meeting was planned for 7pm on 6th January 2006, in the Hotel.
- c) Community Health Centre – noted that re-development was now very unlikely. It was agreed that if Council should plan to close the building (for safety or other reasons), the Association would seek to intervene.
- d) Proposed Foxlow Street townhouse development – noted. Peter had sent a response to Council under Community Association letterhead.
- e) Miners Memorial – it was noted that a working bee was required. This was then scheduled for 7th January at 1000.

13. Next Meeting

It was agreed not to hold a meeting in January. Next meeting 15th February 2006 in the Community Hall.

Captains Flat SES Report December 05

The Captains Flat SES unit has been very busy over the last month with storms that hit the Palerang council area. The unit member work around 800 man hour doing the clean up from the storms the jobs range from roofs off home and trees over roads and some minor flooding. The village of Captains Flat did not have many problems from these storms just some trees brought down in the park and some minor flooding around the streets. These problems have brought to the attention of the Council.

The Captains Flat SES would like to congratulate the Captains Flat Preschool and the Captains Flat Community Association for a job well done with the running of Carols by Candlelight. We all had a very good night.

There as been some question about the SES and the Community First Responder, the SES are going to be taking on the CFR to be part of the CFR you have to be a member of the SES and overtake some training that is required by the SES and then undertake the CFR training. The SES will have full control over the personnel who are undertaking the CFR as a duty roster as to be work out so that there is always two volunteers on duty at anytime this is a 24/7 roster.

I understand that there was a mistake in the draft minutes from last month meeting of the Community association which stated that you **do not** have to be a member of the SES, this is wrong and I have told the person who ask me about it that what they had read in these minutes where incorrect, as these where only draft minutes.

The Captains Flat SES would like to wish everyone a merry and safe Christmas and New Year.

Kim Salton
Unit Controller
Captains Flat SES

CAPTAINS FLAT ANNUAL BALL 2005
REPORT TO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

INTRODUCTION

The first Captains Flat Annual Ball was held in 2004: this year's Ball built on the success of the 2004 event.. The 2005 Ball received wider support from the town and was attended by a broader cross section of the Captains Flat community. We are confident that the Annual Ball will continue to go from strength to strength.

AIMS

While the Captains Flat Annual Ball has always been about dressing up and having fun, the Committee has the wider aims of promoting and showcasing our town, building social capital and engendering community spirit and bringing to life an under-utilised community asset - the Hall. After the happy accident of the first Ball in 2004 being unexpectedly profitable, the Ball is also a major fundraiser for the town.

The 2005 Ball met all these aims.

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship plays an important role in the successful running of the Ball. Our sponsors defray the running costs of the Ball, enabling us to maximise our fundraising contribution to the chosen community group or organisation.

While in 2005 we only acquired one substantial cash sponsor (Karen Paxton of The Public Affairs Recruitment Company), the generosity of our in-kind sponsors, most of whom were local, was a major part of the success of the evening.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

In addition to in-kind sponsorship received from local businesses, the support we received from the town cannot be under-estimated. People lent us equipment such as tables and lights, let us raid their gardens, offered their expertise and time and generated enough excitement and enthusiasm to guarantee a successful event. Several residents bought tickets as donations or simply made cash donations. We also acknowledge the contribution of people who supported the event by simply buying a ticket and attending the Ball.

DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS

This year we found that donating the profits to a designated community organisation for a specific purpose generated a lot more support and enthusiasm for our endeavours. While admittedly last year we did not expect to make a profit, being

able to be quite clear about where the money was going made it easier to gain sponsors and gave those buying tickets a sense of philanthropy.

THE FUTURE

Our major target for the future is to secure more cash sponsorship which will allow us to make a greater financial contribution to the Captains Flat community.

CONCLUSION

We believe that the Ball is now firmly established in Captains Flat's social calendar and look forward to many more successful events. We hope eventually to be able over time to make a major financial contribution to all the community groups and organisations in town and anticipate the continued support of the Captains Flat community.

Brenda Carter
Chair
2005 Captains Flat Annual Ball Organising Committee
12 December 2005

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FINANCIAL REPORT

		Income	Expenditure
Opening Balance	855.11		
ticket sales		2825.00	
donations		80.00	
sponsorship		500.00	
raffle tickets		279.00	
band			1100.00
bus			200.00
hall hire			120.00
stationery			34.35
decorating			368.65
miscellaneous			65.90
Totals		3684.00	1888.90
Closing Balance			2650.21

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CONTRIBUTIONS OF IN - KIND SPONSORS

Hiscock's Saddlery

\$25 gift voucher (raffle prize)

Priceline Pharmacy Queanbeyan

perfume (raffle prize)

The Carrington of Bungendore B&B

\$100 voucher (lucky door prize)

Horizon Real Estate

voucher for massage (lucky door prize)

Outsider Cafe and Gallery

provided dinner for the band (4 people)

Captains Flat Hotel

2 cases of Melon Bubbly (raffle prizes)
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Captains Flat RSL and Citizens Bowling Club

bottle of Glenlivet whisky (raffle prize)
case of James Squire Pilsener (to keep the Band happy)

Maha

design and printing of tickets, programmes

Joanne Weir Tupperware

donated Illusions salad bowl (raffle prize)

Professional Way

gift pack of 2 bottle of Kamberra Wines and promotional bucket hat (raffle prize)