



Committee Meeting, 25 August 2009 8pm
Bywong Hall, Birriwa Road,
Minutes

Meeting opened 8:15pm

1. Welcome and apologies

Present: Nora Stewart, Darryl Bourke, Guy Cotsell, Bernie Greethhead, Clive Boughton
Apologies: Anne Goonan, Jean-Pierre Favre, and Kerry Cox and Kerrie Gougeon..

2. Acceptance of minutes from 23 June 2009 meeting

Accepted; Moved: Nora Stewart, Seconded: Bernie Greethhead

3. Matters rising from the 23 June 2009 meeting:

- a. Twiki – Yless4u willing to host but requires technical details. Nora to approach Alex Colquitt from Lake FM to load the software.
- b. Bywong Gold mine – letter to NSW Lands Dept – **Nora to follow-up**
- c. Locality signs – Sent letters and item in paper but still no details yet. Darryl to find sign poles that have been erected without a sign, for a photo for the Bungendore Mirror, to draw attention to the fact that we are still waiting for a sign.

4. Correspondence in and out (Nora and Darryl)

- a) Bendigo bank asking for community award nominations. No action taken.
- b) Office of state revenue, duty exemption review. Completed online.
- c) Domain name renewal. Paid.

5. Treasurers' report – update on our finances (Clive)

Financial details tabled by Clive. Current balance is \$4,804.47.

7. Planning – for discussion and agreement

- a) Debrief from Trivia Night –operations manual updated. Feedback and suggestions included:
 - table bookings went well.
 - questions too hard.
 - could be more social.
 - too noisy and crowded.
 - finished late (could start earlier or streamline the agenda)
- b) Information night - Shooting in rural residential communities – confirmed plans (Nora)
Information on rights and legalities of all concerned, shooters, land holders.
Nora has been in contact with:
 - Mark Watson – agreed speaker
 - John Brickhill – National Parks and Wildlife Service - agreed speaker
 - Nick Hallett – Queanbeyan Policy – agreed speakerTentative date is planned for Wednesday 14th October.
- c) Planning for AGM – Now planned to have the AGM on same night as information night. This will require planning to ensure that the AGM can be completed quickly before the information event.



- d) Planning for Christmas drinks – 5th December. Plan to have official “opening” of hall extensions at the event.
- e) Distribution of funds – donation of \$1,000 made to Fire Brigade. Other ideas for using our funding:
 - a. Involvement of young people in the Association to find out what we may be able to offer that is suitable (Nora and Kerrie)
Nora’s research reveled a potential need for:
 - *Improved greenways – access and connections to ensure safe travel around --*
 - *Bywong as pedestrians, on horses or pushbikes*
 - *A communal area for pushbikes / motorbike*
 - *Social horse riding event eg round greenways*
 - *Movie night and BBQ at hall*
 - *Dog Club*
 - *Kids book club*
 - *School holiday program*
 - *Wildcare events such as night spotting*
 - *Astronomy nights*
 - *Chat facility on our Web page for community kids.*
 - b. Upgraded community blackboards – Aim to do maintenance on existing. Deferred awaiting expertise from JP on his return.
 - c. Annual newsletter idea – draft newsletter including photo of all committee members – see draft attached.
- f) More funds – FAHCSIA have advertised funding of \$1000-\$5000 to support volunteers. Nora to investigate guidelines to see if our Twiki requirement can be used.

8. Reporting – for information

- a) Community development projects
 - toilets- are now completed
 - bus shelters- progress unsure with Council not engaging us. Nora, Kerrie G and Guy to follow up this matter.
- b) Other community meetings – None attended by our committee members.
- c) Confirm content for the Whisper edition.(Nora to e-mail out)

9. Other business

10. Close

Meeting closed at 10:40pm