

Oxley Residents Association Inc. A4814

Minutes Tuesday 4th August 2015 7.30 pm

Attendance: Jamie Boatwood, Jason Mullins, Dianne Feldtmann, Clare Cowdery, Graeme Abotomey, Tony Carroll, Janet Heath, Don Heath, Erica Pike, Nellie van de Heyden, Margot Ingwersen, Sally Rodgers, Neil Brock, Neil Barclay, Jude Leitch

Apologies: Bruce Uebergang, Sally Day, Sue Abotomey, Arthur Parker,

Minutes from previous meeting:

Moved: Nellie

Second: Sally Rogers

Carried: All

Business Arising:

1. Correspondence:

1.1 **Inward:** Wangaratta Historical Society, a \$500 bursary is available for farmers kids, applications to Wangaratta Historical Society.

1.2 **Outward:** Email to council re: relocating bins at memorial park. Letter to council from Heaths re: Stan Allen reserve.

Moved: Dianne Feldtmann **Second:** Clare Cowdery

2. Reports:

2.1 **Financial Report:** Sally absent, total \$8128.62

Moved: Neil **Second:** Clare

2.2 **Fire Brigade Report:** Tony Carrol mentioned next Wednesday 12th meeting at Oxley Hall.

2.3 **Oxley Reserve Committee:** Oxley Rec Reserve, Neville Wright passed away. Two positions currently available, Brian Nish is cleaning toilets, quotes and plans for toilet and shower block, including a disabled toilet are progressing, weeds are getting knocked on the head. Aunty Bettys Elders Gathering at the Reserve in Sept and plenty of other bookings happening..

2.4 **Social Club:** Progressive Dinner June 20th Spanish theme. A great night about 30 attended and we raised \$910. Thanks to Heather Lucas and Lyn and Neil Barclay for opening their homes both very warm and welcoming. Big thanks to all who cooked or donated food. Heather, Paula, Barb, Kate, Margot, Lyn, Lorraine, Erica, Karen, Jamie, Monique and anyone else I have forgotten as I misplaced my lists. Total for the team so far is \$3060.20. We had an article in the Chronicle. I got an email about the Research award it is a scientific update on what they are using our money for. Next Teams Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th August 2015, 5:30pm at the Centre (Chisholm Street).

Next Event Trivia Night of Saturday 29th August 2015 at 7.30 pm. \$ 10.00. Simon and Clare have this in hand Thanks. Contact Erica for bookings.

2.5 **Community Pride Committee:** KABV Awards- Oxley is a finalist in Cultural Heritage Category for the Oxley History Display and Remembrance Services. SAVE this DATE as this Year's Finalist Presentations will be held on Thursday 13 August at 2.00 pm, with VENUE to be decided on. KABV Awards Saturday, 17 October 2015 from 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM George Kerferd Hotel, Albert Road, Beechworth.

2.6 **Milawa Heritage Group: REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

3. Community Plan:

- 3.1 Town History Walk. No further at this stage.
- 3.2 ORA Website. Website is up for an award; Sally is attending the awards in NZ.
- 3.3 Public Facilities. Moving the bins in Memorial Park. Letter sent no response.
- 3.4 Oxley Street Sealing. Graeme had a meeting with Adrian Gasperoni, a drive around town was had, one fellow said road was OK, and Adrian said they needed work, still ongoing.
- 3.5 Stan Allan Reserve, the reserve is being tagged as a rest area, camping is available at the Oxley Reserve, signs will be made and wording was discussed.

Graeme Abotomey raised concerns regarding him being left out of the loop and that community views have not been properly presented. Discussions regarding ownership of Stan Allan Reserve occurred Council now manage it but as a consequence council has said that camping is prohibited at this site. No timed permits offered as it would be too difficult to police. Many people were very disappointed with the decision to stop camping.

Tony Carroll commented on the letter that was sent, he thought the first paragraph of the letter was satisfactory but the next paragraphs effectively contradicted the first paragraph and did not adequately convey the views of the majority of respondents to the community survey where the response rate was fairly high. Tony did not believe the letter adequately conveyed the message as per the previous meeting minutes.

4. General Business:

- 4.1 Sally Rogers donated her fee to ORA for works done re: website. Committee thanked her.
- 4.2 Charlie Ciavarella Fundraiser, Sally said she is helping with the fund raising effort on behalf of Tony and Merryn. The CFA, Gary Nash Real estate, Oxley Milawa Rotary Club and many varied people and businesses have offered help. Sally to speak with Melissa from Rotary to confirm details of the Super Hero Event on Friday 14th.
- 4.3 Neil Brock to provide us with the date for the CFA Walk which finishes at Oxley Hall. Neil to speak with the CFA re dates of arrival. We can offer the hall and afternoon tea or something like that.
- 4.4 Jason mentioned a roster; excel spreadsheet that could be forwarded to each other.
- 4.5 Oxley Oracle. Sally is looking for someone to help with this if possible.
- 4.6 ACCAN Telecommunications Meeting- Sally/Graeme, about 8-10 people attended, black spots still present, NBN coming. A tower in town. Not sure whether or not these black spots will be fixed. Wayne Prior has connected the Carboor hall to the web. Graeme has his card. When NBN arrives, mobile will not improve, new towers will not help.
- 4.7 Land strategy meetings being held in the Hall this week.
- 4.8 Remembrance Day 11th November, Neil and Don to organise the wreath laying and guest speaker.