

		" We like to begin by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet tonight. I would also like to pay my respects to Elders past present and emerging. "		
No	Topic	Discussion	Action	Responsibility
	<b>Date and Time</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024		
	<b>Location</b>	Oxley Shire Hall		
1	<b>In Attendance</b>	Alison and Graham Stephens, Joan Maher, Don and Janet Heath, Heather and Maurie Tyers, Barb and Russell Godde Deb Humphreys, Rachel Vallender,,Bruce Uebergang, Annette Wood, Jan Vincent		
2	<b>Apologies</b>	Erica Pike,, Martin Butcher, Sue McGregor		
3	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	The minutes of the previous meeting were tabled, dated and were confirmed as an accurate record	<b>Moved:</b> Janet Heath <b>Seconded:</b> Rachel Wallender	
4	<b>Business Arising from previous Minutes</b>			
	<p>The 2 bins at the toilet end of the memorial park are yet to be removed</p> <p>Council has acknowledged that they have destroyed and the new Hume and Hovell and Milawa Gourmet Region signs have been added to the Oxley town sign.</p> <p>Julie Reid raised the possibility of hosting a garage/car boot sale raising money for charity.</p> <p>Residents hold a garage sale at their property and donate a set % to a nominated charity. Sat and/or Sunday.</p> <p>Happy to help with flyer and house drop to gain town interest and advertising to towns that would likely visit. Desiree, Kate and Jason also happy to help.</p>			
5	<b>Correspondence Inward</b>			
5.1	Nil			

<b>5.2 Correspondence Outward</b>				
	Nil		<b>Correspondence Moved:</b> Joan Maher <b>Seconded</b> Janet Heath	
<b>6 Financial Report</b>				
<b>6.1</b>	As attached	Financial report distributed Closing Balance is \$7617.18	<b>Moved:</b> Barb Godde <b>Seconded:</b> Deb Humphrys	Erica Pike
<b>7 Other Reports</b>				
<b>7.1</b>	Australia Day – Citizen of the year for 2024	Congratulations to June Uebergang and Junior Olivia Strack. Arthur Parker also got through to finalist for the Wangaratta, so congratulations to him as well.		
<b>7.2</b>	Fire Brigade	The Annual Good Friday appeal was undertaken by the brigade. Thank you to all who contributed.		Laura Houghton
<b>7.3</b>	Oxley Rec Reserve	<p>Dianne Feldtmann Reports for April 2024 ORA Meeting.</p> <p><u>Oxley Recreation Reserve</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Public meeting was on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>. We had a BBQ and then the meeting. We were thrilled to be able to fill all 9 positions for the committee for the next 3 years. We also welcomed 2 new user groups- Working Equitation North East Victoria and North East Tracking and Scent Club. The committee is as follows:            Chairperson -Kim McInnes,            Secretary Treasurer -Dianne Feldtmann,            Minutes Secretary-Janet Naish,            Bookings Officer and WENEV Rep-Jody Brabazon,            Moyhu Pony Club Rep – Rob Morton,            NE Tracking and Scent Club(Dogs) Rep- Julie Kenealy,            Land Manager-Arthur Parker,            Community Member -Tim Hart,            Community Member -Nathan Vincent.            Our cleaner is Ian Cooper and he cleans 2 days a week.</li> </ol>		Dianne Feldtmann

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. We have now got hot water to the new camp kitchen with the 2 free electric BBQs and 2 sinks for anyone to use.</li> <li>3. The last set of horse yards has been updated and the oval gates have been fixed.</li> <li>4. The playground has a new pedestrian gate for easy access.</li> <li>5. We have applied for some more Flood Mitigation monies so just waiting to hear about that.</li> <li>6. The Moyhu Pony Club ran a very successful horse trials recently and have done a lot of work on fixing up the cross-c o u n t r y c o u r s e , s o h o p e f u l l y w e d lots of use.</li> <li>7. Lots of bookings for the 2024 so far, family events such as the regular Easter group, school overnight trips, horse events and clinics, Dog tracking events and training.</li> <li>8. Arena Memberships, we are trialling encouraging horse riders to pay a yearly membership to use the dressage arenas so they will be locked with a code.</li> <li>9. The Reserve is always open for use to all for walking, off leash dog walking bike riding, camping, fishing, horse riding, picnics/ bbqs and other events.</li> </ol> <p>We are looking forward to a great year with our new energised committee.</p>		
7.4	Remembrance Day	<b>ORA - Oct Report – no report. Successful Remembrance day</b>	.	Jason Mullins
7.5	Community Connections Project	No Report		Martin Butcher
7.6	Social Committee	<p>Table tennis began for 2024 last night</p> <p>The Oxley High Tea will be held on Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>. Bookings to Barb Goode. Any assistance appreciated. Who we donate funds to. " T h r Teoagde t e e d i n g s o m e o n e t o d o a d m i n i s t r a t i o n . H e a t h e r g a v e a d e s c r i p t i o n o f w h a t i t i s d o i n g . o r " N i S h d l W a n g a r a t t a Y o u t h H u b S y n e r g y . Y o u n g a d u l t s 1 2 - 1 7 F r e e z a G r o u p .</p> <p>Janet Heath moved that we divide our profits to these three organisations = " T h r Teoagde t W a n g a r a t t a N i g h t Shelter and Wangaratta Youth Hub. Joan Secoded. All in Favour</p> <p>"Oxley Ladies that Lunch" continue to meet the first Thursday of each month for lunch at the King River Café.</p> <p>Oxley PS Brekky Club continues on Wednesdays</p>		<p>Don Heath</p> <p>Barb Godde</p> <p>Janet Heath</p> <p>Erica Pike</p>
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8.1	Oxley Milawa Heritage Trail	Alison reported. Neil has put together the 8 pause points. Neil showed the Booklet he has put together. They will be putting a simplified map at the beginning. Need to put in addresses so that people can google it. Making it into an A5 booklet. Alison has applied for funding from NE tourism. For \$15,000. That would give us thousands of booklets. Officeworks 2000 booklets for \$5000 They are hoping to have them at Oxley/Milawa shops. Rachel suggested RCOW might have funding for projects – capped at \$5000. Rachel to find out info about this. Next meeting 18 <sup>th</sup> . Alison commented that it was great to be working with Milawa. All pause points are now organized. Can share the information so it can be on the website and included in the ORacle.		Alison Stephens, Neil Brock and Dianne Feldtmann
8.2	Stan Allan Reserve	Thanks to Bruce and Neil Barclay. The seats are great and are being frequently used.		Janet Heath Joan Maher
8.3	Oxley Garden Group	Continues to be a huge success Next Garden Group is at Kath and Howard Whites on Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>		
8.4	Bicentenary of the naming of the Oxley Plains – 25th November 2024.	Bicentenary of the naming of the Oxley Plains – 25th November 2024. Granite blocks that came out of the hall from renovations have been moved back to the hall by Arthur Parker. Jan Vincent and Russel Godde explained about the “ B at a Banka” book by Georgina Banks. Two of the nurses that died were Dorothy Elms and Caroline Ennis who were both Oxley Shire girls that came from Cheshunt. Enrolled in Melbourne in 1940. They were on the Binabook ship that was bombed as it went through the straight on Banka Island. Vivian Bullwinkle was the sole survivor. The family d i d know for years what had happened to the girls. Jan has priced getting a bust done to commemorate the girls and it is costed at \$15,000 each. The RSL is prepared to seek funding for it. Jan has approached us to see if there is interest in having the busts placed in the Oxley Memorial park. Rossell would like ORA permission to get these busts placed in the park. Funding will not be an issue as RSL has finding for commemorative projects so this would be eligible. Jan has spoken to both the families. Janet moved that - providing funding can bd obtained -the busts can be made and erected in Oxley memorial park. Barb seconded. All agreed. They will work with the remembrance committee. The person looking at the busts will decide on the use of the granite blocks		Neil Brock
8.5	Oxley Website	Maurie will be keeping it updated thank you		
8.7	ORACLE	The latest ORacle has just gone out. Anyone with anything to contribute would be most welcome. Please send to Joan  A big thank you to Jay and Rita at the Oxley shop for distributing the ORacle to residents. It is very much appreciated.		Leah, Joan
9	<b>General Business</b>			
9.1	Landcare project - mostly weed removal - along the King River on King Street	Deb Humphrys explained this project and moved a motion to create an ORA sub-project for King Street Landcare weed removal on KING Street between Snow Road and Browns property, planned to take place end of April 2024 or another date in 2024 depending on volunteer availability. The sub-project would be covered by O R A public liability insurance		Deb H u mp h r Sally Day

		and will be organised by Sally and Deb. Sally thinks she can get a potential team from Brown Bros who will assist. Rachel All agreed. Sally will communicate to ORA.		
9.2	Julie Reid Car Boot/Garage sale	We discussed this and decided that we will hold it over to next meeting and hopefully Julie can explain further.		
9.3	Photocopier replacement	Joan has spoken to NE Business Machines who have a secondhand machine which they recommend for us rather than purchasing a new machine. The cost is \$3,000. Motion from Bruce Uebergang that he will apply for a Grant from Inland Rail for \$3,000 . Rob at NE Business Machines is the contact and Bruce will speak to him and put the quote in. Deb seconded,, All in favour.		
9.4	Trees on the roadside at the bridges	Trees that are overhanging the road on the snow road approach to township. June Uebergang has asked that we contact Vic Roads to see if they can clear them. We will ask that they do not remove trees, just cut the overhang. We would like consultation before any works are undertaken.		
9.5	Oxley a designated " Safe Place of Refuge"	Oxley a " Safe Place of Refuge" Alison explained that if we could get a grant for Solar and batteries plus Air conditioners this would enable us to become a " Safe Place of Refuge". We put the question out - are there any grants available that might fit this? Bruce mentioned that we would of course have to liaise with the CFA and obviously the RCOW. All agreed it was a great idea. Janet said that council has talked of installing solar. Nothing has happened as yet, but if they did so we could look at getting a grant for batteries. We will keep this on the agenda and see if we can pursue this.		
9.4	Prosecco Road Info	<b>Prosecco Road project.</b> Thank you to Rachel Vallender who has invited Tanya Camplin Simone Nolan from the RCOW to come to the meeting to discuss this. Simone spoke as acting director of Arts, Culture and Events of the consultation process on the Prosecco Road. They wanted to get a feeling of what people liked and wanted. What has been seen out there and people mentioned what was on Glenrowan Road - a " Women in War " Monument. Public Art is what they is talking about. Public art creates a sense of place, community. Helps growth, empathy, tolerance and understanding. It Always creates controversy. Art as education. RCOW has a commitment to public art. Fran Neil from the King Valley has been asked to join the art committee. Some of the works started include the Whitfield playground and other works. The bike trail has started at Gentle Annie. Simone acknowledged that the upper King Valley has had more consultation than here. There are Four key project areas. The King Valley Prosecco project entrance or Gateway entrance public art. It is meant to show you have arrived at the entrance of the Prosecco Road. Sculpture on south end giving a " Sense of Arrival " . Simone explained the process to procure public art. Seventy artists initially responded to a brief. The team then shortlisted this to 3 to begin stage 2, concept design, 8 weeks to return with concept. They then picked the person for the job. She will send us the brief with links. The artist Alex Knock has been chosen. He did the sculpture at Royal Childrens hospital. The project has a 20 year life span. The sculpture is called " Bubbles" .Just under 6m tall. It will be		



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		placed opposite the school site. Parking will be provided. They are seeking responses and will be responding to questions. Will send out copies of design and placement. Installation is anticipated to be around the middle of the year. There will be signage. Parking may be a p Road?		
9/5	Hume and Hovell Bi-centenary Naming of Oxley 100 years	November 25 <sup>th</sup> . Do we want a plaque? Bell Bros cost would be around \$2,000. Neil moved that we have a plaque made commemorating the naming of Oxley plains 100 years ago. Wording to be decided by a committee of Neil Janet, Graham and Russell. Graham seconded. There was one dissenter and three abstained.  Whorouly is doing a plaque which Neil had a copy of and apparently Moyhu is as well. We would be doing a separate ceremony to commemorate.		
	<b>Meeting closed</b>	9.23 pm		
<b>2024 Meetings</b>		13 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 7.30pm, Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm, Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August AGM 7.30pm		