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		"We'd 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>	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 8.43pm		
	<b>Location</b>	Oxley Shire Hall		
<b>1</b>	<b>In Attendance</b>	Alison and Graham Stephens, Joan Maher, Erica Pike, Dianne Feldtmann, Nellie Vander Hayden, Barb Goode, Don and Janet Heath, Neil Brock, Neil Barclay, Bruce Uebergang, Heather and Maurie Tyers		
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	Gery and Cheryl Coad Sue McGregor, Claire Chowdry, Martin Butcher, Deb Humphreys, June Uebergang, Paula McGavin, Sally Day, Arthur Parker		
<b>3</b>	<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> Neil Barclay <b>Seconded:</b> Dianne Feldtmann	
<b>4</b>	<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 the Hume and Hovell sign. They have added a strip sign to the Oxley town sign</p> <p>Joan talked to Meghan Gehrig who advised she has the Milawa Gourmet Region sign under control and is getting it organized.</p> <p>Stan Allen Reserve. New seats can't be bolted as the concrete pads the RCOW put down are too short. Bruce has suggested that we move the aluminium tables to the new pads and put the ones in June's shed on the old pads. Don Moved that motion that we go ahead with this. Rachel seconded. Carried.</p> <p>Working bee to be held after the bush market. Possibly 18<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Joan to put a reminder out.</p>			
<b>5</b>	<b>Correspondence Inward</b>			
<b>5.1</b>		Acknowledgement from the RCOW regarding the signs and the bins.		



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<b>5.2 Correspondence Outward</b>				
		Letters to Council regarding the Hume and Hovell signs and the Milawa Gourmet Region. Also a request that the bins be removed on the west side of Memorial Park	<b>Correspondence Moved:</b> Joan Maher <b>Seconded:</b> Don Heath	
<b>6 Financial Report</b>				
<b>6.1</b>	As attached	Financial report distributed by Erica. Money in from RCOW for N/L Dinner cost for Lindsay and Heather Closing Balance is \$5,601.48	<b>Moved:</b> Jason Mullins <b>Seconded:</b> Janet Heath	Erica Pike
<b>7 Other Reports</b>				
<b>7.1</b>	Australia Day – Citizen of the year for 2023	Alison Stephens went to the Milawa Hall committee meeting. They are very responsive and agreeable to us being part of their celebrations this year. Asked if we had nominations and Alison has a person in mind.  The celebrations will be at 6.00pm in the hall at Milawa. Bring a plate. They are hoping lots of Oxley residents coming to join them. The 2024 Oxley Milawa Citizen of the Year which will be a person from Oxley.		
<b>7.2</b>	Fire Brigade	No Report		Laura Houghton

7.3	Oxley Rec Reserve	<p><b>Dianne Feldtmann Reports for October ORA Meeting.</b></p> <p><u>Oxley Recreation Reserve</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 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> <li>2. We have used most of our grant from DEECA for flood assistance to help pay for the costs of repairing and improving the river fence and to upgrade the tracks with culverts to allow water to flow and drain better off the tracks. They have been working well but some of the track has washed away and some big holes have appeared so be careful. Still some work to be done on the river fence.</li> <li>3. We have a new cleaner Ian Cooper who is doing a great job for us.</li> <li>4. We also have a partnership with the Shepparton Corrections crew, and they have helped us with mowing, cleaning up fallen trees and they moved the last of the mulch in around the playground , for which we are very appreciative.</li> <li>5. RCOW Open spaces have listed Oxley Rec as ‘the home for equestrian sports for the region.’ Future directions are a watering system for the sand arenas, installing lighting for arenas( medium priority) and a roof over large area(low priority).</li> <li>6. Our AGM will be in January when the new committee will begin, and we are always looking for new committee members to help manage the reserve for the next 3 years.</li> </ol>		Dianne Feldtmann
7.4	Remembrance Day	<p><b>ORA - Oct Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Committee met mid Sept to commence coordination for this years' service - which falls on a Saturday</li> <li>● Tasks allocated to group members</li> <li>● Contacted Schools - flagged Saturday (this may limit attendance – they are in discussion)</li> <li>● Contacted RCoW (Councillor) &amp; Tim McCurdy's office - invitations sent</li> <li>● Applied for speaker and catafalque via RSL- awaiting their response.</li> <li>● Contacted piper / bugler – Grant Piper. Bruce Meagher has a standby replacement piper this year (due to Saturday) Historically we have given cash as gifts but have discussed giving a King River \$50 donation. (All Agreed)</li> <li>● Margot supporting coordination of refreshments at the hall</li> <li>● Request - we may need to purchase drinks for the school children - may cost ~\$100 - is it ok for ORA to pay. All agreed to this.</li> <li>● Moved that we pay for drinks for the children, vouchers for the musicians and for the wreath. Neil Moved Graham Seconded. All agreed,</li> <li>● Next committee meeting - tomorrow night (11/10)</li> </ul>		Jason Mullins
7.5	Community Connections Project			Martin Butcher



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7.6	Social Committee	<p>Table tennis had almost 40 people there.last night. It is now finished for the summer. June advised there were 57 different players throughout the year. Huge range of age and abilities.</p> <p>Rachel advised that surveys have found that the number one thing keeping people going in old age is social activities.</p> <p>Also a huge advantage is a community connectiveness.</p> <p>Next Garden Group is at Barb Godde's Thursday</p> <p>And 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 this term on Wednesdays</p>		<p>Don Heath Barb Godde Janet Heath Erica Pike</p>
8	Community			
8.1	Oxley Milawa Heritage Trail	<p>Alison reported. We are in the process of getting a booklet printed for people to collect. Next meeting next Wednesday looking at the Oxley photos and putting in text. Looking at getting it printed. They are interested in what Rachel had said regarding Prosecco Road funding, as it will cost around \$2,000. At this stage working on just the brochure Once again we are working with the Milawa people. They are ahead of us in planning and onboard and excited.</p>		<p>Alison Stephens, Neil Brock and Dianne Feldtmann</p>
8.2	Stan Allan Reserve	<p>Janet met with RCOW and Arthur Parker. Discussed about drainage. Went right through history. RCOW are looking at getting it drained. When flooded look at perhaps getting a barrier put up. And discussed the danger of debris coming out onto the snow road next to the bridge. It was acknowledged.</p>		<p>Janet Heath Joan Maher</p>
8.3	Oxley Garden Group	<p>First day was a huge success. Thank you to June for organizing and hosting it. Next day to be held Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> at Barb Godde's.</p>		
8.4	Bicentenary of the naming of the Oxley Plains – 25th November 2024.	<p>Bicentenary of the naming of the Oxley Plains – 25th November 2024. Neil to report Granite blocks that came out of the hall from renovations at Bell Bros. They would be happy to have them removed. Neil got in touch with Karen Van der Sande and she has made 3D replicas of the blocks. Erica and Joan to have a look. Neil has said that it was to be discussed tonight and decision made at the February meeting. Perhaps at Arthur Parker's place as he has the equipment to move them.</p> <p>Some of the originals have bevels on them. Have a look at them and get some ideas for next meeting. Some suggestions put forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making a H &amp; H (for Hume and Hovel)</li> <li>• Seating?</li> </ul>		<p>Neil Brock</p>



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		Part of the Prosecco Art trail?		
8.5	Oxley Website	Thank you for the work that has been done. The website now up and running and erica has passwords and access and the Oxley Resident's Association has the domain name. There will be an account coming from Sally. We need someone to go in and keep it updated.		
8.7	ORACLE	The latest ORacle has just gone out. Anyone with anything to contribute would be most welcome. Please send to Joan  We are looking for a "Webmaster" Secondary students are welcome to apply.  (NB we may not need to do this as a resident has come forward who can help)  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		Stan Allen drain on bike track needs to be reported. (Snap and Send) Bruce brought up about snake signs. Council to put proper snake signs.		
9.2	Julie Reid Car Boot/Garage sale	Julie raised the possibility of hosting a garage/car boot sale raising money for charity.  1. Residents hold a garage sale at their property and donate a set % to a nominated charity.  2. Residents hold a garage sale or car boot at the hall and pay a set amount to be there, donated to charity after any hall costs  Her thoughts are February - Sat and/or Sunday. 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.  We discussed this and decided that we are happy to go ahead, but at people's places not at the Hall. Perhaps have maps and morning tea. at the hall as people arrive. We all agreed this was a good idea. However, it was decided not to hold anything at the Hall as people leave their goods behind that are not sold. Perhaps not February as it is in the middle of summer and fire season, but later in the year.  To be held over until the next meeting.		
9.3	Oxley a designated "Safe Place"	Oxley a "Safe Place". Barb brought the Chronicle article advising that Springhurst is a designated "Safe Place" and put forward the idea that we ask if Oxley can be made this as well since we are on the Snow Road and are already a place of refuge for locals. Joan will contact the RCOW and enquire about this		



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9.4	Prosecco Road Info	<p>Rachel Vallender sent the following links so that people can be informed on what the council is doing on this project.</p> <p><b>Rural City of Wangaratta Event and Attraction Funding Survey</b>          - the survey is open until the end of this month and will inform Council direction with respect to funding community and tourism events</p> <p>- this doesn't just cover financial grants from Council but also ways Council staff could assist moving forward</p> <p><a href="#">Events &amp; Attraction Strategy Community Consultation Rural City of Wangaratta</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/Development/Our-projects/Prosecco-Road">https://www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/Development/Our-projects/Prosecco-Road</a></p> <p><b>King Valley Prosecco Road</b></p> <p>- Oxley will be part of a significant project (with state and regional tourism funding) to further develop the King Valley as an iconic tourism region</p> <p>- the project lead is Tourism North East (regional tourism body)</p>		
	<b>Meeting closed</b>	9.37pm		
<b>2023/ 2024 Meetings</b>		Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm,((Christmas Party) Tuesday 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		