



# Oxley Residents Association Meeting Minutes

## March 2026

No	Topic	Discussion	Action	Responsibility
-	<b>Date &amp; Time</b> <b>Acknowledgement of Country</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 7.30pm  "We'd like to begin this meeting by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today. We would also like to pay our respects to Elders past and present."		
-	<b>Location</b>	Oxley Shire Hall		
1	<b>In Attendance</b>	Joan Maher, Janet and Don Heath, Bruce Uebergang, Maurie and Heather Tyers, Jane Bracken, Deb Brunken, Arthur Parker, Deb Humphreys, Lorraine Offermann, Neil Barclay, Martin Butcher		
2	<b>Apologies</b>	Erica Pike, Greg and Janice Cherry, Sue McGregor, Dan Offermann, Paula McGavin and Geoff Daly		
3	<b>Milawa Markwood Oxley Landcare</b>	<b>UPDATE: Oxley Bush Reserve - Jane Bracken President of Milawa Markwood Oxley Landcare.</b> Weed spraying of blackberries and cracked willows on the hill will commence in May. Approval granted from Parks Vic and NECMA. Planting of trees in May or June. Wattles acacias callistemons, dillwynia, Planted as an island so it can be mowed around. Some of the residents wanted trees planted, so maybe ORA could request RCOW about getting trees. CFA wanted to burn but can't because of worries about it being a former tip site. "Land mates" are going to give us some time for heavier work.		
4	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	The minutes of the previous were tabled after distribution to the meeting. They were confirmed as an accurate record.	<b>Moved:</b> Janet Heath <b>Seconded:</b> Deb Brunkell	
5	<b>Business Arising from previous Minutes</b>			
5.1		Nil		



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<b>6</b>	<b>Correspondence Inward</b>				
6.1		Rural City Community connections newsletter			
	<b>Correspondence Outward</b>				
6.2		Nil			
<b>7</b>	<b>Finance Statement</b>				
7.1	Account balance	<b><u>Financial Statement November 1 2025 to February 28 2026</u></b>  <b>Opening Balance</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$2,931.93</b></span>  <b>Receipts</b> Membership <span style="float: right;">\$ 2.00</span> Bush Market Raffle <span style="float: right;">\$2,656.60</span> <b>Total</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$2,658.60</b></span>  <b>Payments</b> Erica Pike Reimb Balloons <span style="float: right;">\$ 24.00</span> Jason Mullins Remembrance Day <span style="float: right;">\$ 221.60</span> R & B Godde Remembrance Day Wreaths <span style="float: right;">\$ 180.00</span> Jardin Thompson Insurance <span style="float: right;">\$ 633.75</span> <b>Total</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$1,059.35</b></span>  <b>Account Balance 28th February 2026</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$4,531.18</b></span>		<b>Moved:</b> Joan Maher <b>Seconded:</b> Neil Barclay	
<b>8</b>	<b>Reports from Sub committees</b>				
8.1	Social sub Com	No Report			



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8.2	Remembrance Day	No Report		
8.3	Australia Day	We need to look at a Nomination for 2026 Oxley Recipient One suggestion given.		
8.4	Oxley-Milawa Heritage Trail	Finished and a QR code placed at the Milawa Hotel. Over 100 hits. Needs promotion. Maybe through the Chronicle. Pause points on the website		
<b>9</b>	<b>Project Updates</b>			
9.1	Oxley PS Brekky Club	Up and running. Thank you to all.	Janet	
9.2	Oxley Rec Reserve	Arther Reported. He said the Reserve was looking fantastic. A big event happening. A few issues with people trying to steal money out of the lock box. Cattle grid was redone. And widened but wasn't dug out and thinking that perhaps getting it excavated and digging out deeper will need to be done. Had a problem with sprinklers. The use of the sprinklers has meant the dust problem is mitigated.		Dianne Feldtmann
9.3	Oxley Garden group	First Meet of the year will be this Thursday at Merriwa Park on March 12 <sup>th</sup> .		
9.4	Table Tennis	Resuming in April		
9.5	ORA Website	Following along and maintaining it. Wanting more information on the Nurses busts. Janet to do		Maurie Tyers
9.6	Stan Allan reserve	Mudholes are a problem. Limb came down not cleared up. Multiple meetings with council but no action. Perhaps contact Chronicle. ORA to send a letter to council. Parks and Garden. Asking for an onsite meeting. (Joan to do)		
9.7	Facebook page	Not currently being updated Who??? Alison?		



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9.8	ORAcle	First edition went out in February. Any photos or articles appreciated.		Joan Maher
9.9	Busts of Dorothy Elms and Caroline Ennis	Will be happening 28 <sup>th</sup> March. 11.00 Well done Jan Vincent for all her hard work. Jobs same as for Remembrance Day. We need the men to put up gazebo and chairs and then set up. Margor offered sandwiches and her roster. Put out a flyer beforehand. Asking locals to bring a plate. Joan to contact Neil Brock for Remembrance day rosters  Janet will send Maurie out info.		
9.10	Recycling project	Deb has compiled a list of where, what and how items can be recycled in Wangaratta circulate for comment once complete. Latest news is that the Transfer Station they are now taking soft plastics. Domestic quantities. Deb will find out about drums		Deb Humphreys
9.11	Community connections	A number of Oxley Community came along to workshop sessions about how to create connections in Oxley. Rurality is achievable and we had another meet to define what that means. "Walk on Fridays" was paused due to the hot weather. Also the Meet and Greet on the first Friday of the month. At the first we got some new residents. Also signage at the shop. Suggestion to put signage at the park. We will put a list of meets and what's happening out.		Martin Butcher
9.12	OKAY Wednesday	Heather gave a report. Going well. Mainly new mothers. Lots of young babies. Some oldies as well.		Alison and all
9.13	Fire Brigade	Not much to report. There has been a few members that went to the fires. A few accidents.		Bruce Uebergang
		There was a light on the corner at the King River Café and they asked for it to be repaired and the RCOW. It was removed last year. We will ask that it be replaced.		Bruce Uebergang
	Arthur Parker	The road at the first bridge very bad bump. Also the bike track/walking track with a sort of repair.		



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		Sign for King River no sign for Croppers Creek. Then Factory creek. Can they have signs on them as well.		
	Constitution	Martin spoke on how at the AGM on how the constitution is very outdated. Maurie has done a lot of work. Martin then handed over to Maurie. We had a 2 page constitution that now is over 40 pages long. All bodies now have a template on the website to suit your organization. Maurie has done this and changed a number of things to suit us All committees are bound by rules and regs. All have a legal obligation to ensure they keep to the governance of the constitution. At an AGM we have the ability to change anything. We will be putting forward a formal proposal to change the constitution. Not there as yet. He will put it up for comment. Its advantage when we are applying for grants it shows we are up to date. Need to have the number on all letterhead and correspondence. Maurie will put it on the website. People can comment from there.		
10	Meeting closed	At 8.43pm <b>Next meeting 7.30pm on Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> 2026</b>		

**2025-2026 Meeting Dates:-** September 9<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup>, **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, AGM Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026