

**Hackett Community Association
Meeting at ACT Sports House, Hackett
Tuesday 15 November 2011**

Present: Greg Haughey, Barbara Inglis, Max Huntington, Laura Turnbull; Terry de Luca; Dorothy Mackenzie, James Walker, B. Armstrong, Bruce Smith,

Apologies: Lorraine Mason,

Minutes: accepted

Matters arising

- It was agreed that Bruce will ring Andrew Leigh's office to see if its possible for him to attend a meeting during the year outside Parliamentary sitting times.

Chairs report

- Greg has picked up the A-Frame from James's and will try to get an electronic copy of constitution from James' computer
- Notices are now going into Neighbourhood Watch
- Greg has made a start on the brochure for the HCA
- A Domain name for the HCA has now been obtained – www.hca.org.au

Treasurer's report

- Terry paid the late fees for the registration and our registration is now up-to-date
- The cheque was cashed by Wilburs for the costs of the AGM and the account balance is now \$1423.92

HCA Website

- Greg reported that while there are some technical issues, he hoped to have the HCA website up and running soon
- He will also be updating Canberra communities online
- Hope to finalise biographies of committee members soon
 - James pointed out that it would be good to put when people came to the suburb and whether you belong to other associations

Hackett shops

- The Little Bean is up and running
- Rhonda is hoping the pharmacy will be opening for the middle of December

Traffic

- There are no markings on the pedestrian crossing outside the shops yet – hope this will be completed soon

- There is very slow progress on Majura/Phillip intersection – probably because of rain and other projects

50 year birthday celebrations

James reported that

- He is getting a paper ready for the February meeting and is looking for ideas from people. We need to make sure that good ideas are not forgotten.
- We should be getting good ideas to him by the middle of February.
- He is thinking that perhaps two days for the party instead of one – its not worth people coming back to the suburb for just one day.
- The dates is tentatively set for 21 September. But in our publicity we are saying just September at this time. We will set a firm date in February.
- We need to think about how to get young people involved.
- We could potentially put together a book concentrating on pictures at this stage. A larger book could be put together some years later.

Discussion covered the following points:

- People could be interested in the history of names of streets – this could be a good hook. James is trying to get photos of key people.
- Do the ACT archives have much on Hackett? James says not much. Not many stories in newspapers
- Can we get a broader request for photos from across Canberra? We could get an article in the *Canberra Chronicle* to publicise the request. We would need to give them a picture.
- We should aim to do what we did before which worked, and then add more
- We could think about a clown or stilt walker
- We should be able to get some corporate sponsorship Wilburs and Little Bean are thinking about special coffee cups. Emma (Devo) thinking about I Love Hackett caps? Wine tasting?

Table at the shops

- It was agreed to have a table at the shops for 3 December from 8am to 12. We could advertise with flyers at shops and use the A-Frames during the day – Tony might be able to do a banner (Terry will ask Tony)
- Bruce will send an email to the committee to organise a roster and also update the membership list

Improvements for Hackett shops area

- James raised the issue of the table under the trees – someone needs to contact Parks and Gardens to get sense of costs. The Association needs to be seen to be doing something on this issue. Perhaps we should name the tables after someone who made contribution to the community?
- Barbara made the point that it would be good to have some shade for parking – but delay. Could look at putting more trees in.
- The existing sign for the shops looked run down – need a new or bigger one?

The next meeting will be held on 21 February.

Action	Responsibility
Organise Andrew Leigh to attend a meeting during the year	Bruce
Progress work on brochure for HCA	Greg/Bruce
Finalise biographies for website	All committee
Set up roster for Table at shops	Bruce
Contact ACT Govt about tables at shops	?