

**Hackett Community Association  
Meeting at ACT Sports House, Hackett  
15 October 2012.**

**Present:** Marian Williams, James Walker, Terry de Luca, Max Huntington, Barbara Inglis, Kaye Murphy, Dorothy Mackenzie.

**Apologies:** Laura and Freddie Turnbull, Terry de Luca, Dorothy Mackenzie, Greg Haughey, Bruce Smith.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of 20 August, 2012 were accepted with an amendment re Community Gardens (Should read \$40,000 for the 10 new community gardens to be funded in established suburbs.)

**Correspondence:** None received

**Treasurer's Report:**

- \$1,000 was received from NCCC for printing of brochures.
- Balance stands at \$1,411 plus \$91 as reimbursement to Greg Haughey for costs and \$20 petty cash.
- HCA paid \$25 to support Molonglo Catchment Group as we have each year.
- Money is needed for Birthday celebration – advertising and advance costs for barbecue etc.

**Matters arising from AGM:**

James Walker as Chair went through the points that he listed on a paper headed “AGM notes”. He referred to the next AGM of August, 2013. This will be before the “Big Birthday Bash” so that all the administration is out of the way and people have their agreed tasks to get on with.

- A room booking needs to be made immediately for AGM and each monthly meeting. Mondays were agreed upon.
- Advertising- notices at shops a fortnight before the meeting (local church, schools, preschool notice boards)
- Reminders email and hard copies hand delivered to residents. Offers of transport.
- Table at shops the previous Saturday to collect dues and remind people of AGM.

Matter of Office of Regulatory Services and Auditor General.

- Public Officer needs to submit following information by the end of September and pay the standard fee.
- A list of executive members, Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Officer.
- The Minutes of previous AGM (2011) that was accepted by the 2012 AGM.
- Financial report – audited and signed.

**On other matters about meetings:**

- Could Minutes be circulated much sooner so that the editor of HNW has material early? Minutes could be sent out early and then again with the Agenda for next meeting.
- Should we hold more unofficial informal meetings, in afternoons for retired people or evenings/weekend for young members once a year? Maybe coffee meeting at Little

Bean or Wilbur's. This may give HCA members a greater sense of belonging. If you think this is a good idea send an email to Chair or Secretary.

- Attendance book – Please print your name clearly. This is important as the minutes and attendance are supposed to be available for perusal by the authorities.
- “Passive displays” are needed for outside as well as inside the meeting room, sometimes by other bodies. These are in addition to speakers/presentations materials. In 2013 we should be promoting the “Big Birthday Bash” at every meeting.

#### **Table outside shops:**

- Saturday 1 December, 10 am to 1 pm. “Big Birthday Bash” should feature.
- Members, not on committee could be invited to be on a table for an hour or so.
- This is a way to pick up membership renewals as many have lapsed, and new members.
- Fill the suggestions book with ideas.
- We need to send a gentle reminder to people to renew their membership over the Internet (\$5 per person, \$2 concession, \$7.50 household (of 16 years or more).

#### **“Big Birthday Bash”** –planning for a two day happening:

- A poster is needed. Please contact the Chair or a member of Committee if you have suggestions and be willing to help. Photos of previous Bashes could be displayed at the next Table.
- Steering Committee will meet again in near future. Consists of Chair or Deputy Chair, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, HNW Editor. Their job will be to spread things geographically, get more people involved, think of the problem of parking, use the hall, Sports House for the program?
- Committee members could chase up people descended from Street names or the families of their own street.
- Old Bus: could be on display.
- Folk Dance Canberra – Someone needs to be responsible for liaising with them in planning. Maybe a sharing of the hall for a part of the Bash.
- Fire Stations – need to send a confirming email. A preserved Fire Engine would be wonderful.
- Vintage Cars – 1960s.
- Philately
- Anything appropriate that anyone would like to take on to organise as a drawcard would be welcome.
- Art and Craft show Reunion, was spoken about by Max and Kaye. It was held over 40 years ago as a function that brought Rosary and Hackett Primary School Communities together. Arts and Music. A series of issues need to be discussed and resolved.
- Stalls
- Music and entertainment.

Community Garden- Terry de Luca is willing to Chair a Working Group. Members should contact him if they would like to join in investigating a Community Garden for Hackett.

- He is meeting various groups about the setting up of a Community garden.

- Funds available (\$5,000).
- It has positive flow on in building bridges, with the elderly, families, ethnic groups, and those who have felt unconnected as they grow herbs and spices together.
- It needs to be near the school so that children and parents can be involved.
- A range of issues needs to be faced, including availability of water.
- Narrabundah has had a Community Garden for 21 years.

Pharmacy Update:

- Rhonda hopes to open in early November, as the fitting is almost finished.
- ACTPLA has a plan to use a room in Sports House for dispensing pharmaceuticals.

Website: Continue to use this Website.

Hackett Shops:

- Wilbur's now closed on Monday and Tuesday, opening on Sundays until 7 pm.
- Little Bean open on Tuesday, and closed on Wednesday.
- Christmas Do – We will decide at the next meeting where/when to hold this.
- Greg and James intend to speak to the owners of IGA about accurate dates for proposed rebuilding.

Other Business:

- "HCA activities, achievements and tasks over ten years". James spoke to a paper he prepared.
- "List of HCA Committee members since founding in 2003". It was noted that many members have served continually over the life of the organisation.
- A motion was moved to acknowledge the work of Laura Turnbull OAM who has recently stood down from serving on the Committee. **"The Committee of the Hackett community Association acknowledges the strenuous efforts made by Laura Turnbull OAM on behalf of the suburb and the Association as Public Officer and committee Member since HCA's founding and requests the Chair and Secretary to forward to her a suitable letter of appreciation."** Moved by Max Huntington and seconded by Marian Williams. Carried.

Meeting closed: 9 pm.

Next meeting: 19 November.