

## **Somerton War Memorial Hall & Recreation Grounds Committee**

General Meeting Minutes held at the Hall on Sunday (prior to clean up and set up for ANZAC Day) 23/4/2023

**Meeting Opened:** 2.08 pm

**Present:** Wayne Chaffey, Nell Chaffey, Laurie Chaffey, Drue Daley, Carol Horn, Marg Fenwicke, Val Harris, Will Dowe, Bruce Cooper, Max Gardner,

**Apologies:** Jan Dirks Marg Moved for the Apologies be accepted second Nell Carried

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of the meeting 28/02/23 read and circulated as a true and correct record. Drue Moved for amendment be made where the spelling of her surname not include an 'e'. This correction was required by the Bank. Moved Carol, Second Nelly Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report not presented

Balance includes \$9,825 from Hunter New England Health for a community project.

**Correspondence In:** emails from TRC, **Correspondence Out** – Nil

### **Business Arising:**

1. **Birds nesting in front porch area.** Wayne reported that TRC has forward details relating to policy and best time of year to move on birds.

### **General Business**

1. **Kitchen Upgrade.** Person from TRC who collated local ideas has resigned. Remains a work in progress. Lisa has circulated plans and costing for review .to be followed up
2. **ANZAC Day Ceremony .** The Planning List was reviewed by the meeting . Will Dowe to be the MC. Merryl has followed up RSL,Band,TRC Risk assessment and notified MP's, Laurie contacted a Manilla local Sue Martin who is involved in legacy as guest speaker. Donation from Somerton Fishing club of \$50, Tennis Club of \$50, Somerton Roadhouse \$50.
3. **Empowering Communities supported by Hunter New England Health .** This project is a work in progress. Waiting for warmer evenings to commence Line Dance gatherings.
4. **Meeting request TRC to spray** around hall for weeds.
5. **Light** on Honor Board on the East not working.
6. **Fan cords** need replacing
7. Laurie requested the **purchase of containers** to secure contents under the sink from vermin
8. **Picture of the Queen.** Waiting for update of new picture of the King

## ON Going General Business:-

**Funding from Empowering Communities** for a community activity involving line dancing, BBQ etc. remains a work in progress. This will be organized over three lots of five sessions. Intent is to encourage community gatherings. Events will be free including meal. Plan to purchase a BBQ for the Hall. Yet to confirm a suitable time.

**Hall Hire** review. To be further discussed

**Hire of Chairs.** Following discussion, it was decided to charge the following:

Light tan chairs - \$1 -Stacker of 4 chairs - \$10 -Bench – \$1- Crockery cupboard - \$10

**Fire extinguisher and evacuation plan.** None in place at the hall. To follow up with **Lisa**.

**Highway signage indicating public amenities** i.e. toilet To be followed up with **Lisa**

**Electricity charge.** Laurie to follow up with TRC if hall can have a better funding plan. Bill has been forward to **Lisa** to be followed up

**Recreation Ground BBQ-** The battery is at the BBQ, gas is supplied by ? key to the gas bottle cage is with George. Cleaning. **Lisa** to be followed up to request the people who clean the toilets to clean the BBQ

**Tennis Courts:** Following points discussed:

Community concern of water pooling – George reported that the first court to be resurfaced at cost to TRC. Currently being followed up

Court access discussed as per following points:

- a. If there is competition tennis event TRC would not cover the insurance. Tennis Australia would need to be approached for insurance cover.
- b. Social tennis insurance is covered by TRC
- c. Committee to determine any fee and conditions for access. Yet to be confirmed
- d. Signage needs to be followed up.
- e. Decision of where to locate the key to the tennis courts is yet to be determined

**Survey community.** Nelly discussed compiling a survey to identify the community's interest and expectations of the Hall and Recreation Ground. Nell to follow up.

**CWA Tree and plaque.** Drue reported that 3-4 Chinese Elm trees to be planted on the Western side of the hall. 100 tree project a work in progress by TRC.

**Invoices:** Proten Community Committee use of Hall and payments. Laurie to follow up

### Proposed Strategic Plan for 2023 includes.

1. Kitchen make over (need a quote)
2. BBQ area
3. Play surround at Recreation Ground
4. white board, screen and data projector
5. Air conditioning

#### **Keys are located with:**

Pub key code 13165

George. Hold an existing key

Janice Hold an existing key

Wayne Key code: 13166

Laurie Key Code: 13167

**Next Meeting Tuesday 27-6-2023 @ 6pm @ At the Hall**

**Meeting Closed: 2.53pm**