

**CLARENDON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
COMMUNITY MEETING
Wednesday 6th March 2024
Minutes**

1. Meeting open

We acknowledge that Clarendon is located on the traditional country of the Kurna people who have lived on this land for thousands of years; we hope to learn from this wealth of experience. We pay respect to the Elders, past, present and emerging. We commit to reflecting on reconciliation and equity.

Attendees: Mark Ashenden (Chair), Julie Hawkins (Minutes), Helen Ashenden, (Treasurer) Jayne Tucker (Secretary) Alida Cowan, Jeannie O'Connor, Petra Harslett, David Fuss, Trevor Harslett, Geoff Beaty, Sue Leslie, Laurel Jared, Lou McMaster, Dianne Denton, Pail Denton, Gavin Fisher, Glen Sholz, Geoff Eaton, Di Lamont, Chris Martin.

Apologies : Phil Scroop, Marion Themeliotis, Louise Pickford, Shoba, Kanagaratnam

Welcome to the 3 speakers: 1.**Geoff Eaton/ elected member**, 2.**Sue Leslie CFS**, 3.**Chris Martin CoO** stepping in for Priah/ Joel.

2. Business arising from minutes

Committee to follow up any business arising

3. Reports

Helen provided brief report on CCA financial profit and loss and Op shop P&L report.
Full reports attached to agenda.

3.1 Op Shop -balance at end of February \$12,220.20. Reconciled to bank statement

3.2 CCA report- See report attached to agenda

Helen reported that bank balance to end of February is \$46,312.13 with a surplus of \$26,779.46 once provisions are deducted.

Treasurer pleased to report that everything reconciled.

Reports tabled and accepted by Jayne

All in favour

Speaker Sue Lesley from CFS

Sue addressed meeting as there have been some concerns regarding the use of the siren and the presence of planes recently.

Sue recommended the following:

Whilst the siren provides some degree of warning do not rely solely on the siren for management.

Use the paging website/app or CFS website.

If leaving let neighbours know.

Jeanie queried: *Expense of planes v's siren*

Sue's response *(14 fixed wing, couple helicopters, sniff of fire, they will deploy them first for best response.)*

Yes, it is an expense but well worth it. Siren every Monday, must not rely on the siren, always prepared, keep properties ready, go inside and call 000, bad days keep an eye on paging website and CFS incidents as a daily guide. Level 1, simple basic fire, knowledge is power, leave early if that is your fire plan.

Many driveways too steep, narrow roads, skinny lanes. Vegetation has been removed on Potters for 3m truck, turners and old clarendon are still not suitable. If vegetation high CFS won't go on that road. If you are ever caught in a fire, remember that flames are 4 times higher than the tallest vegetation outwards. Kangarilla have frequent fire prepared courses. Defend what they can but decision is made as is, leave house locked, if CFS need to get in they will.

Gavin explained that Clarendon's 1 truck, 1 small truck can only put out fire of 2 houses.

Sue requested people to Come join, CFS need and are looking for new recruits.

Sue reported that the CFS run regular community workshops

Contact Sue if interested in attending

Petra suggested putting information on community forum

Action: Sue to organise regular information on forum

4. Correspondence

4.1 Received

*CoO Have your say. Reviewing the way that dogs are managed in the CoO and invite interested members of the community to provide feedback. Consultations are open till 31st. March 2024. 15 areas in review but not Clarendon.

* Maureen Joy Reschke' Allen Critten requesting artist information. Maureen born in 1933 in Mannum and has lived in Clarendon for many years.

Jayne has contacted Brad requesting assistance from historic hall.

Laurel advised that Maureen is still alive.

* **Joel Caddy, Project Officer Bushfire Preparedness, CoO: 'Regarding bushfire prevention effort and lack of community engagement' - Responding to Turners Gully resident Dr Ania Kotarba-Morley concerns regarding poisoning, clean up, heritage and aesthetic considerations (continued in General Business, Safety).**

5. General Business

5.1 Kindergarten

Savang Wong, Department of Education - telephone discussion with Mark Ashenden, re new lease agreement with kindy due for renewal 31st May 2024.

Consumer & Business Services: SA Rental Reform update form provided for a further 5 year agreement.

Speaker Geoff Eaton elected member City of Onkaparinga Council

. Community plan is going out for consultation.

- Supplementary election for candidate.

- Council is 4 million in debt and there needs to be substantial cuts. Looking at other ways of raising money instead of raising rates, such as suitable sites for healthcare, retirement village, everything is on the table on how they can create money.

- ESCOSA: big mistakes in their planning, comparison maps to other councils CoO is very large and ESCOSA would have to put in money as CoO doesn't have the funds.

- Resilience workshops: Coromandel Valley Community Centre, 2 key speakers, getting residents ready for fires within the community & hazards. Large earthquake due, last major was in 1954, Mt Bold and Happy Valley Reservoir has major fault lines running through them.

- Reports and concerns about gum trees and falling branches in public places

5.2 Community

Events:

Tour Down Under. Glen reported that it was a success and thanked all volunteers who assisted and council for funds. Runner Up in best dressed town behind McLaren Vale.

Summer Fling, 25 February 3pm-8pm. Was a success great turnout many new faces soaking up the last rays of the summer sun to the soulful tunes of Blind Arry. **Thank you, Brad Pickford & Gavin Fischer.**

Community Dinner. Will be lunch this year on Sunday 24th March 1-4pm Further details on CC Facebook. **Petra Harslett**

Classic Cars. Classic car event tour around Clarendon to be held date to be notified potentially weekend before Anzac Day 2 options Oval or Appletree lane. **Glen Sholz & Dave Fuss.**

Reconciliation Week. Glen mentioned that the school will be holding the event the following week, possibly in park with weaving, kitchen garden cooking. Mural, co-design with culture and kids, maybe put on t-shirts.

Future events for calendar 2024

Anzac Day/ 25th April
School/Kindy quiz night at over 50's 22nd June
Goodbye winter party 25th August
Spring Fair 27th October
Christmas Carols 22nd December

Community Garden. Final plan went through and mapped at committee meeting for final sign off with CoO.

Dept of environment and tourism Heritage tourism grants, 15K around the collection and retention of ideas. Potentially something for the Historic Hall to consider.

Church. Permanent posts have been installed. Thank you, Dave Fuss.

Christmas Santas. Suggestion by council that Christmas Santa's be judged against other towns. *Trevor requested that the Santa's not be a competition as they are a fun event in the spirit of Christmas.*

Action: Chris Martin CoO to pass on request

5.3 Safety

Community meeting held at Apple shed on Appletree Lane . Sophie Porter, Joel Caddy and Priah Deane attended re residents concerns of pruning and poisoning on Turner Gully Rd.

Thanks to Sophie Porter for organising it at the last minute. Invitation was open to all Clarendon residents via CC facebook.

Speaker: Chris Martin CoO standing in for Joel/Priah Project Officer Bushfire Preparedness

Joel has asked Chris to relay to the meeting that any queries re verge works Chris will collect contact details and pass onto Joel for follow up

Jeanie feedback that her personal discussions with Joel and what is happening on Angel Gully Road re eradication made her feel very confident in relation to Turners Gully and Grants Gully Rd they also had useful discussion about Bandicoot habitats.

Queries re eradication of blackberries.

Action: Chris to follow up and flag with Joel

Priah, supporting community groups, what can council do to help support community efforts more, to keep a strong community. Chris Martin spoke about how great our community is and how much we really do within the community. Appreciated all the efforts and mentioned that Priah creatively works around all barriers that get thrown around.

Helen acknowledged how approachable Priah has been.

Chris acknowledged the events and work that the Clarendon community have achieved.

Chris asked meeting what they would tell important visitors what they have achieved in Clarendon:

- > Cleaning of creek
- > Opshop
- > Community dinner
- > Riverbend Park
- > Clean up of Kindy area

6. Any other business

6.1 Terms of reference/ Alida queried terms of reference and what they look like

Suggested that they be reviewed, so we know what we are about. What are aims and visions?

Suggested survey on link monkey to ascertain what residents want, expect, their vision and what they can contribute. To identify gaps.

Helen advised that a survey was done 5 years ago.

Paul highlighted the businesses are that are in Clarendon.

Trevor suggested engaging local businesses in events etc also to include in survey.

Action: CCA committee to follow up and implement

6.2 Over 50's club

Laurel announced that it is 45years since the the club was incorporated.

Geoff advised that there will be celebrations.

There has been an increase in locals using the venue for weddings and meetings. With no charge for non profit groups.

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.15PM

Many thanks to Over 50's club for the use of the venue and to all who attended.