

**Gumeracha Community Association
Meeting held Monday 10 August 2009
Town Hall foyer**

1. **Present:** Don Westlake (President), Annie Bainbridge (Acting Secretary), Joe Evan (Treasurer), Dorothy Evans, Lee & Brett Withy, Chelsea Lewis, Gerri & Brian Johnston.
2. **Apologies:** Darren & Cheryl (General Store), Bronnie & Dave Nash
3. **Minutes from previous meeting** Moved: Joe Evans. Seconded: Lee Withy. Carried.
4. **Business arising**
 - Digital TV (Don) no action to date
 - Bush fire emergency plan (Don) awaiting report from Victorian fires per Bob Brooksby
 - New Years Eve banner (Don) roll up banner will cost \$540.00 and can be positioned on the fence opposite the pub.
5. **Treasurer's report** (Joe) Report tabled. \$1000.00 has been paid into the Medieval Fair Account for the erection of the pavilion. \$1000.00 has been transferred for the Medieval Fair. End month with \$3290.71.
Moved: Joe Evans. Seconded Brett Withy. Carried
6. **Sub Committee reports**

Fund raising

 - Father's Day raffled (Lydia/Marilyn) not present. Raffle cancelled in favour of a Christmas raffle.
 - Solar Power Package raffle (Don) will not progress due to the demise of the solar power rebate.
 - Catering – policy & procedures (Don/Catering Committee) no action to date. Don will arrange a meeting of the committee to progress.

Upcoming events

- Hall Centenary Picnic in the Park (18/10/09) no action on fund raising ice-creams. Next meeting
- Festival of Spring (4/11/09) GCA will have a stall to promote achievements and membership. Will have a street sign constructed that points to all achievements in town. **Action: Don to approach local business to construct once Chelsea/Annie have collated achievements.**
Action: Annie to follow up stall application with school.
- Christmas lights to be installed first week of December. **Action: Don to follow up with John O'Dea.**

Tourist information

- TIB door repair (Don) temporary repairs have been made
- Coming events board (Don) still under consideration and options are invited from members.
- Adelaide Hills button (Don) no action to date. Next meeting
- TIB advertising boards (Don) Maple Cottage Crafts will be an addition. Discussed potential for Toy Factory inclusion. **Action: Joe & Dorothy will follow up.** **Action: Don to follow up Heart of the Hills Market.**

Federation Park

- Management agreement with AHC (Don/Joe) Don will meet with Val Hall and Howard Lacy (AHC) to clarify GCA's stewardship of the park. Next meeting.

Marketing/publicity

- Lee reports that the Weekender Community Notice deadline is August 24. Will list GCA events and activities as appropriate
- Chelsea contacted Channel 9's Postcards program and Keith Conlon is keen to do a story in the spring.
- The new Adelaide Hills Magazine has a "Hills history" section – Chelsea has made contact and a story will be published.
- Heritage Walk brochures – Lee will send a letter to schools promoting the walk as a potential excursion. The history centre can arrange a tour. Discussed providing brochures to school children in the area and distributing to caravan parks and cafes (e.g. Mannum, Cudlee Creek). **Action: Chelsea to determine cost of reprint and potential to include the brochure on the web site as a PDF.**
- Web site review and advertising (Joe/Don) discussed status of current site and potential. Agreed that the site must be up to date. **Action: committee members to check out the site and bring ideas to next meeting.**

Rural Watch (Dave) not present. Next meeting.

Albert Street Planter boxes - (Dave) not present. Next meeting.

Torrens Valley Community Centre (Don) Pam Hale will remain the contact.

Action: Don will link the calendar to the web site.

7. Correspondence

Action: Don will speak to Denise at the PO to request future correspondence be forwarded to him.

Don received a note from Bob Geary from the Adelaide Hills Regional Development Board offering a 30 minute talk on improving communication and growing your organisation and has arranged for Bob to attend the next meeting.

Action: Annie to send letter of confirmation.

Don reported on correspondence from the ATA – helping promote sustainability – have some interesting offers for community groups like membership, free power usage meter, books and promotional information about the Green Loans Program.

Resignations from Pam Hale (Secretary) and Jim Hale (Vice President).

8. Any other business

8.1 Committee discussed roles and tasks in light of the Hale's resignations.

- Annie will act as Secretary until the AGM including researching grants.
- Don & Joe will be the contacts.
- Chelsea & Lee will convene the Marketing Sub Committee and take on the Newsletter.
- Dorothy & Joe will formulate and update the Calendar of events.
- Don will liaise with AHC.
- Don will ask Wendy & Glen Olsson to take responsibility for the key register.

- Chelsea will take on bus stops and shelters.
- Nominations for Vice President will be sought at the AGM.
- All other actions/tasks to be allocated as required.

8.2 Dorothy raised concerns about the library and encouraged everyone to complete a survey and attend the library. **Action: Brian will contact the Friends of the Library to determine their actions re opening hours and stock. Action: Annie to invite (through Don) Val Hall to the next meeting to discuss community issues (including the library).**

8.3 The GCA generally holds a Christmas dinner in November/December. Action: members to bring ideas to next meeting.

9. Meeting closed 9:40 pm

Next Meeting 14 September 2009 at the Town Hall foyer.

Chairperson's signature:.....

Date:.....

Future meeting dates:

14/09/09

12/10/09

09/11/09 AGM