

**Minutes Michelago Region Community Association  
Meeting 2 February 2011**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Meeting opened 7.05 pm	<p><b>1. Present:</b> Tony Robinson (President), Gill Robinson, Jeremy Mears, Sandra Lauer, Martin Hughes, Maureen Morgan</p> <p><b>2. Apologies:</b>, Heidi Campbell.</p>				
<b>3. Minutes 1 December</b>			<b>Motion:</b> That the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 December be adopted. Tony/Jeremy	<b>Tony to</b> put minutes in store.	
<b>4. Matters Arising</b>					
4.1 Heritage Brochure	Gay Lawler is writing a history of the village and surrounding area. She is making good headway on this.	Committee pleased to hear of Gay's progress and keen to see it published in a format that is not too expensive. Also a shortened version which could be made into a brochure. Request for photos has been put in the newsletter	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>Tony to</b> check with Gay Lawler about progress with the short history. <b>Sandra</b> offered to help with any interviews	
4.2 Management Plan	At meeting re Draft Mgt Plan held with Council members and Staff May 26. Council will be seeking submissions to draft mngmt plan shortly. Tony has circulated a draft for the 2011 plan and has comments have been recv	Waiting on Response from Council. Martin has raised his concerns about the delay in community consultation . Has a meeting with Peter Smith shortly to discuss the issue.	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>		
4.3 Village Plan	At the meeting in July, the Committee decided that there is a need for a Strategic Plan similar to ones supplied to us by Mareeca for other communities.	Need to keep this moving. Sandra will continue to work on this. Tony wishes to include the railway land into the plan, perhaps taken over by Council or sold. Has met the Australian Railway Historical Society Canberra Branch to enquire about their long term plans for the upkeep and maintenance of	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>Sandra to</b> follow up and look into her contacts.	

		the land around the station. Tony has been brushcutting the long grass.			
4.4 MRCA Newsletter	The aim is to publish quarterly.	Summer Newsletter has gone out. Thanks to Heidi for compiling newsletter, Cathy for layout. Heidi has called for submissions for new issue.	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda</b>	<b>Heidi</b> to project-manage newsletters. <b>Sandra</b> to contact Cathy to organise.	
4.5 Multi- Purpose Court	Tony, Sandra and Jeremy sprayed the court with herbicide again Need to replace the fence and possibly resurface. Quote \$8,591 materials only.	We can do the labour. Look into grants. Ross suggested we replace the fence and then check on usage before investing in a more advanced surface. Looking further into other courts it seems an upper rail will not be needed, just use wire. ~\$6000 now for materials. Jeremy, Gill and Tony resprayed the court for regrowth. Needs some minor spraying to keep it down. Would be good for Mich. fire brigade to burn off dead grass. Ross Lawley has put in a grant for us ,which we didn't get, for BBQ table and benches near the track	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>Sandra</b> to get quotes for materials and organise working bees. <b>Tony</b> to check with council for requirements.	
4.6 BBQ		Bunnings has accepted our BBQ for Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May. We've signed off on the details so will be going ahead	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>Maureen</b> to look into a garbage day BBQ every now and again.	
4.7 Mayfair 2011	Date for next May Fair: Sunday 1 May 2011.	Mayfair meeting happened with lots of good input. Meetings monthly, next one Feb 12. Planning is ongoing. Martin has asked if we can borrow the Council PA system for free. We have 3 acts so far for music. Paul Kennedy has got LJ Hooker to provide 12 signs for directions. Still need larger signs for the highway	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	Mayfair subcommittee planning for 2011	

4.8 Driver Reviver	Michelago and Colinton Fire Brigade and MRCA to look into planning a driver reviver stop at Colinton rest stop	Had a successful Australia Day. No huge numbers stopping, but had lots of visibility and interest from passing traffic. Main volunteers were from Colinton RFB and MRCA. Raised \$18. With further promotion we expect many more stopping. A good time was had by all. People stopping were very appreciative. Next one will be over the Easter long weekend. Thanks to Noreen for providing her generator. No response yet from Brent from Michelago or Baden from Bredbo. Sandra is requesting more help for organising it. Maureen has offered to help, more is needed.	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>Sandra</b> to follow up	
4.9 Michelago Fire Shed		Fire Brigade has a preferred location next to existing shed on railway land. Railway land has to be transferred to Council first if they agree. Still awaiting for Council.	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>brent</b> to follow up	
4.10 Michelago Website		Have organised helpers to keep website updated and take over from Cathy Morison. Login details have been received and will organise with Janeta to start updating. Update committee details asap. Upload Newsletters. Check for old content. Check email account re bouncing emails.	<b>Item to be kept on the agenda.</b>	<b>sandra</b> to followup	
4.11. Australia Day		Had good numbers turning up for the BBQ ~50 people. Tony slashed the long grass beforehand. Photos were taken for the Cooma Express by Lisa			

		Ashurst. Thanks to Martin and his committee for their work on the day.			
<b>5. Correspondence</b>	<p>in:Bunnings letter for BBQ</p> <p>Christmas Card from Michael and Michelle da Roza for our help and support of the community</p> <p>Letter from Woolworths with a donation of \$50 for Driver Reviver misc items such as milk, cordial, and Milo.</p>				
<b>6. Treasurer's Report</b>		Balance is <b>\$5,781.91</b> in working account. Statement of accounts have been audited by Veronica Kingston and accepted. BBQ's have raised \$2249.75 in profit for MRCA. Michelago brigade received \$1067.40. \$100 to Colinton brigade.	<p><b>Motions:</b> that the report be accepted Gill/Sandra.</p> <p>That \$200 be set aside for petty cash. Gill/Sandra</p> <p>\$210.44 be paid out for Driver Reviver setup/supplies.</p>		
<b>7. General Business</b>					
7.1 Fire Appeal Money	MRCA conducted an appeal to help those affected by the December 2009 Tea Tree Creek fire. It is now over six months since the fire and donation tins have been removed from the Store and the Servo and soon to be removed from the Inn. There is ~\$2,000 in the Appeal Fund account. We need to decide on what to do with the money.	Talking to community members and those affected by the fire a consensus is emerging that the money be divided equally between the four local fire brigades. Alysoun Boyle of the Calabash Rd committee agreed.	<p>Michelago has used the money for a Magellan GPS. Anembo have put the money towards new fire shed. Colinton has donated \$200 to Bredbo to replace a UHF radio lost in the turnover of their firetruck, the remainder has been assigned to the training shed. Smiths Rd letter is forthcoming..</p> <p><b><i>Item to be kept on the agenda.</i></b></p>		Done
7.2 Playground area	To provide some sort of cover for playground from sun.	Council has indicated they don't want a permanent structure and would prefer shade from trees. Trees however take many years to grow and the site is quite hostile for trees. If a few areas were dug up/ripped a few trees			

		could be established with some supplementary watering			
<b>8. Other Business</b>					
8.1	Railway Station land - grass overgrown	Maureen raised the issue of the grass being overgrown at the Station and other Railway land. Landcare slashed around the plantings. ARTC did minimal slashing around the area.		Look into Conservation Volunteers to do a major cleanup.	
8.2 AGM	Setting date for 2011 AGM	Possible date 9am Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> February to coincide with rubbish day		Tony: circulate date to members and committee	

Meeting closed 8:25pm