

**Michelago Region Community Association
Meeting Minutes: 3 Oct. 2012**

Agenda Item	Background	Discussion	Decision	Action	Status
Meeting opened 7pm					
1. Present:	Leanne Pattison, Martin Hughes, Wayne Landford, Sandra, Jeremy and Janeta Morison.				
2. Apologies:	Carolyn Burton.				
3. Minutes	Meeting held on 5 September.	Minutes of September meeting.	Accept minutes Motion: Wayne moved, Leanne seconded.	Minutes accepted	Complete
4. Matters Arising					
4.1 Litter issue	<p>New member. Glenn Fowler raised the issue of litter in Michelago which poses a safety risk. Glenn suggested that signs be put up to encourage people to put bottles in the bins, such as 'Keep Michelago beautiful, take your rubbish with you'.</p> <p>Martin advised money for signs could come from the general maintenance budget.</p> <p>Signs to be placed on main roads Baroona Road, Clearview Rd, Michelago Rd, close to school area (double sided) and corners of highway.</p> <p>Leanne discussed competition with school Principal. Children to design and do their own poster and perhaps come up with a slogan. Posters could be displayed at school, hall and local store.</p> <p>Martin Hughes advised MRCA of \$9,000 funding from Cooma Council (can apply for funding as there are funds allocated for each region). MRCA to send Martin a thank you letter.</p>	<p>Ross Lawley called and advised about our plans, he is happy with this progress.</p> <p>Wayne advised that Michelago Primary School has a message on their noticeboard promoting a litter free Michelago.</p> <p>Wayne has updated Glenn's wife Marina re: progress with issues.</p>	<p>Leanne spoke to head teacher who provided feedback re: what children had done like posters.</p> <p>Head Teacher at Michelago Primary offered more assistance. Cate mentioned that the kids could do an EMU walk to collect rubbish so they understand the full impact of the littering issue.</p> <p>Wayne to further discuss signage options with Council.</p>	<p>Wayne to discuss with council signs and bins.</p> <p>Cate to send Martin a thank you letter re: funds and contribution to MRCA and region.</p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>

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<p>4.2 Heritage Brochure</p>	<p>Gay Lawler is writing a history of the village and surrounding area. Gay is continuing to prepare historical info. for placement on the website and for her book.</p> <p>Request for photos was put in newsletter and is on the web-site</p> <p>Committee is considering putting together a calendar incorporating Michelago history and photographs. A cookbook has also been proposed.</p> <p>Vern Drew has provided Wayne with information about the history of the Anglican Church.</p>	<p>Anglican Church is having their anniversary of 110 years in around 6 weeks.</p> <p>As part of anniversary celebration there will be a new fence placed. People attending anniversary will be able to purchase one of the pickets from the fence that was removed.</p> <p>There are 4 services held each Sunday, including some bible study and singing.</p>	<p>MRCA Committee to promote the anniversary on 14 October 2012. Information will be placed in the local shop. Church will be selling tea towels and pickets. Brochure with details will be arriving in your letterbox.</p> <p>Cate mentioned the idea of the calendar incorporating photos of Michelago region and people form the fire brigade.</p>	<p>Leanne to ask Greg and Maureen will ask Michelago police station about photos (Alex Fookes).</p> <p>Janeta and Sandra to meet with Gay re: research and calendar.</p> <p>Cate and Janeta to start collating photos.</p>	<p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p>
<p>4.3 Multi- Purpose Court</p>	<p>The second-hand tennis court surface in Macquarie has been lifted and is in storage in the railway shed,</p> <p>Cate and Leanne looking into grant application strategies.</p> <p>Cate and Wayne met with John Barilaro to discuss potential funding. Wayne suggested we do a tennis court and multi-purpose court (ie. Basketball). To onsell the court surface and use for multi-purpose court. Significant funds may be available.</p>	<p>The Sports and Recreational Grant needs to be submitted in January 2013 as the Council will provide a letter stating that we do not need a development application.</p> <p>We have received a quote indicating that the likely cost is 71,0000 for tennis/multi-purpose court.</p>	<p>Community Project Grant process is open. John Barilaro can provide community grants of up to \$35,000.</p> <p>Sports and Recreational Grant also available. Investigation if we require a development application. Need DA for court but not for lights. Found free poles for lights.</p> <p>John Gargett advised that toilets cannot be renovated. Look at doing it in stages so we could look at doing kitchen and then later do the toilets.</p> <p>Cate has suggested we hold a community forum to discuss the various courts so people can tell</p>	<p>MRCA to apply for community grant in Nov 2012.</p> <p>MRCA to apply for Sports and Recreational Grant in January 2013.</p> <p>Forum to be held on 4 October 2012.</p>	<p>In progress</p>

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			<p>us about their preferences on Thursday 11 October at 7.30pm. Grant ends at end of October so next week. Ross has provided a plan which included the multi-purpose court.</p> <p>Martin has received suggestions regarding putting an open roof over basketball type court. Other covered areas could be helpful as well.</p>		
4.4 Fire Brigade	<p>New fire brigade shed has been put on a two year plan. Fire brigade members are frustrated by the lack of progress on the land lease. Chris Allen and Ross Lawley are the FireCom and Council contacts. No further news on shed site or land use.</p> <p>Council has installed a drain and a minor levee bank in front of the shed to try to fix the drainage OH&S problem, which has not resolved the drainage and related OH&S issues.</p> <p>John Barilaro's office is involved in discussions with the Cooma Council re: land issue.</p> <p>Carolyn suggested a joint school holiday program over 2 days for a small fee.</p>	<p>A ministerial has been sent from John Barilaro to the Minister's office following representation from John Barilaro. Leanne spoke to Langdon Gould who expects that a response will be provided shortly. Council's Ross Lawley has established contact with John Holland Constructions.</p>	<p>Cooma Monaro fire control responded to ministerial from John Barilaro regarding site. Following this, response from Minister's office indicating that the process is being dealt with by John Holland Construction.</p> <p>Ross Lawley has requested the approval request for the siting of new shed following Brent's conversation with John Holland's representatives about the OH&S issues and voluntary role of the brigade. Brent spoke to Ross who is now hopefully making progress. Brent will keep us updated via Leanne.</p>	<p>MRCA to await response from Cooma Council and other parties.</p> <p>Carolyn to ask if Michael is interested in Junior Fire Brigade and if so, he will contact Bronwyn.</p>	<p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p>
5. Correspondence	<p>Treasurer provided a statement of breakdown of the Mayfair fundraising payments and costs. Mayfair profit was \$6,261.74.</p> <p>As requested, Bunnings were sent a certificate of appreciation for the goods they donated to Mayfair. Leanne designed and</p>	<p>Information was sent by Council about a grant submission was sent to MRCA President which is due by Friday 19 October.</p> <p>Cate has sent of the thank you certificates to</p>	<p>MRCA Members encouraged to provide website content.</p>	<p>Carolyn to give Wayne email addresses and Wayne to send out email request.</p>	<p>Pending</p>

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	<p>sent certificate to Bunnings.</p> <p>MRCA members to contact Sandra if they can volunteer for Driver Reviver or provide website content.</p>	<p>businesses who donated funds for Mayfair.</p>		<p>Janeta to discuss process/template with Sandra re: website:</p>	<p>Pending</p>
6. Treasurers Report	<p>Term deposit is \$6344.64 and it will mature on 15 September 2012 (rolling over). Account balance, \$7193.10</p> <p>Agreement to transfer funds to term deposit to increase interest (cheque to be coordinated for next meeting).</p>	<p>Nil, Treasurer absent</p>	<p>Nil, Treasurer absent. Update will be provided at November meeting or via email if unable to attend.</p>	<p>Carolyn to provide update at November, possibly written updates if unavailable at next meeting.</p>	<p>Pending</p>
General business					
7.1 Fund-raising	<p>Received a letter from Bunnings, who advised that they are booked out to Mid-November 2012, although we can go on their randomly drawn list.</p> <p>MRCA scheduled to have sausage sizzle at Bredbo Markets on 25 November.</p> <p>Cate suggested a movie night at hall, early session for kids and later sessions for older people. Need to get a license and Cate has paperwork. Only MRCA members can attend or small cover charge. Also good for community building. There could be a theme, ie. PJ party, pizza night or dress up.</p> <p>Cate to complete paperwork and investigate license/cost for this event. It will impact on the type of film that can be shown.</p> <p>MRCA members to provide ideas to Cate.</p>	<p>Cate investigating movie license costs and will report back at October meeting.</p> <p>Sandra Lauer provided an update on the Driver Reviver proceeds of \$1270.56. Usage varied, the DR visitor numbers have increased and were 1500 over the period. Only issues were the repeated graffiti on mobile building. Good feedback from visitors and from Thredbo Resort.</p> <p>Sandra welcomes feedback as she is going to DR meeting. Sandra is seeking volunteer coordinators to run the DR as Sandra is unable to coordinate. Rotary do every</p>	<p>Cate has advised that we need to select movies so that we can work out license costs.</p> <p>Committee agreed that it would be appropriate to donate half the proceeds to Colinton Fire Brigade for their assistance running the program.</p>	<p>Cate to lodge paperwork and check license costs to determine if it is feasible.</p> <p>MRCA members to provide ideas to Cate.</p> <p>Janeta to recruit volunteers for 25 November.</p> <p>Sandra to discuss Colinton donation with MRCA treasurer.</p> <p>Driver Reviver volunteer</p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>

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		2 nd Sunday. Sausage sizzle raised \$200 and sold some of the Mayfair produce.		coordinators to contact Sandra Lauer.	
7.2 MRCA Notice Board	To provide a professional notice board, other than on the shop door. Agreed that sign should be steel with magnetic letters and Perspex cover. Only permanent lettering to be <i>Michelago Region Community Association</i> at the top and www.michelagoregion.org.au at the bottom.	Ongoing work to find suitable signage locations.	Wayne agreed to place sign on fire brigade notice board.	Wayne to place sign on fire brigade notice board.	In progress
8. Other business 8.1 MRCA	Cate suggested we look at putting something together to tell the community what our role is (ie. your community voice...) and ideas to attract more members. Agreed on a multi-pronged approach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • letterbox drop with newsletter; • sign up form via website; • shop door sign; • primary school; and/or • set up table outside the village shop. Agreed to put a notice on the windows of Community Hall regarding MRCA and other community memberships/activities such as Fire Brigade membership.	Wayne has been promoting membership through the local shop. Other members may like to do this as well.	Information to be sent to current and potential members. Members can promote MRCA at local shop on a weekend if interested. Jo Gaha suggested a pot luck dinner for village. Wayne suggested that we include the school and community church on a Friday night.	Carolyn to put together list of current/potential members. Sent email to Wayne if you are interested. Wayne to explore this issue further with church and other community members.	In progress
8.2 – Other business	In progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colinton RFS Station – highway access • Support for land for Michelago Fire Brigade's new station site • see Cooma-Monaro Express (tabled and given to L.Pattison) – there's \$150K funds for various projects. \$9K is reserved for each 	MRCA to look at putting in a project plan to get project funding. Could apply for more if necessary. Martin has advised that the access road to Colinton RFS will be completed this year.	New LEP is available on website or on maps in library and at Council.	Defer to next meeting.	Pending

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	<p>of the other eight community groups, including Michelago (potentially more if approved).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New LEP (Local Environmental Plan) includes zoning plans. Due in September. Covers all the shire and will replace the present three LEPs covering the shire, so making conditions uniform. 	<p>New LEP is available on website or on maps in library and at Council.</p>			
8.3 Railway	<p>Rail Land has been taken over by John Holland Group which is responsible for maintenance. Rail link is not happening. No funding is available. Walking/Cycle track has much more support.</p> <p>Queanbeyan/Cooma Council have agreed to in principal to track of some sort. There is also a group in Qbn wanting to convert it.</p> <p>Cooma and Queanbeyan Council have suggested we put in a proposal to use the track for cycle use. People could camp overnight as a pit stop before proceeding to Cooma.</p> <p>Robin Spratt has a suggested use for the Railway, an indoor sports/multi-purpose sports centre. The shed is owned by the Railway Historical Society, who has received a substantial grant for refurbishment but has yet to use it.</p>	<p>Wayne mentioned that John Barilaro had said that the council was still decided which railways to open/close so no movement or decisions yet.</p> <p>Using it as a multi-purpose sports centre would be too costly (\$200,000+) so unviable.</p> <p>John Grist from Nimmitabel wrote re: railway re-opening – no movement regarding this issue.</p>	<p>For discussion at next meeting.</p>	<p>Nil.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
8.4 Welcome Pack	<p>Fiona has suggested following up on last meeting's suggestion of a welcome pack for new residents. Add the Michelago Phone Book if available.</p> <p>Motion: That MRCA pay for Michelago phone books for new-comers Cate/Gill</p>	<p>New phone directory being updated from school.</p>	<p>Janeta to research what resources and information would be useful for new people.</p>	<p>Janeta to contact Fiona to see what information she has.</p>	<p>In progress</p>

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	Potential content: - Map - Regular events: Australia Day on oval Mayfair Services				
Date for next meeting	Meeting closed at 9.00 pm Next meeting: Wednesday 7 November 2012 7.30pm				