

**Michelago Region Community Association  
Meeting Minutes: 5 Sept. 2012**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Meeting opened 7pm					
<b>1. Present:</b>	Leanne Pattison, Wayne Landford and Janeta Morison.				
<b>2. Apologies:</b>	Carolyn, Jeremy, Sandra and Cate.				
<b>3. Minutes</b>	Meeting held on 1 August.	Minutes of August meeting	<b>Motion:</b> June and July minutes	Minutes accepted	Complete
<b>4. Matters Arising</b>					
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 would 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 of funding from Cooma Council. MRCA to send Martin a thank you letter.</p>	<p>Ross Lawley called and advised about our plans, he is happy with our plans.</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 to continue talks with school Principal.</p> <p>Wayne to further discuss signage options with Council.</p>	<p>Wayne to discuss with council signs and bins.</p> <p>School to think about this project and <b>Leanne</b> to follow up with school Principal.</p> <p><b>Cate</b> to send Martin a thank you letter re: funds and contribution to MRCA and region.</p>	<p>In progress</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 21 October 2012. Information will be placed in the local shop.</p>	<p><b>Leanne</b> to ask Greg and <b>Maureen</b> will ask Michelago police station about photos (Alex Fookes).</p> <p><b>Janeta</b> and <b>Sandra</b> to meet with Gay re: research and calendar.</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><b>Cate</b> and <b>Leanne</b> looking into grant application strategies.</p> <p><b>Cate</b> and <b>Wayne</b> 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 will be submitted January in 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>John Barilaro can provide community grants of up to \$35,000.</p> <p>Sports and Recreational Grant also available</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>In progress</p>
<p>4.4 Fire Brigade</p>	<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&amp;S problem, which has not</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</p>	<p>Cooma Monaro fire control responded to ministerial from Jo Barilaro re: site. Following this, response from Minister's office indicating that the process is being dealt with by John Holland Construction.</p> <p>Awaiting response from Ross Lawley.</p>	<p><b>MRCA</b> to await response from Cooma Council and other parties.</p> <p><b>Carolyn</b> to ask if Michael is interested in Junior Fire</p>	<p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p>

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	<p>resolved the drainage and related OH&amp;S issues.</p> <p>John Barilaro's office is involved in discussions with the Cooma Council re: land issue.</p> <p>Carolyn suggested that a joint school holiday program over 2 days for a small fee.</p>	John Holland Constructions.		Brigade and if so, he will contact Bronwyn.	
<b>5. Correspondence</b>	<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 sent certificate to Bunnings.</p> <p>MRCA members to contact Sandra if they can volunteer for Driver Reviver or provide website content.</p>		<p>Cate will discuss with <b>Fiona</b> re: who will do the other certificates.</p> <p>MRCA Members encouraged to: 1) Get involved in the Driver Reviver program and 2) Provide website content.</p>	<p><b>Cate</b> to discuss with Fiona and provide detail to Leanne.</p> <p><b>Carolyn</b> to give <b>Wayne</b> email addresses and Wayne to send out email request.</p> <p><b>Janeta</b> to discuss process/template with Sandra re: website:</p>	<p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p>
<b>6. Treasurers Report</b>	<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>	Nil, Treasurer absent	Nil, Treasurer absent. Update will be provided at October meeting.	Carolyn to provide update at October mtg.	Ongoing
<b>General business</b>					
7.1 Fund-raising	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.	<b>Cate</b> investigating movie license costs and will report back at October meeting.	Nil.	<b>Cate</b> to lodge paperwork and check license costs to	In progress

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	<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>determine if it is feasible.</p> <p><b>MRCA members</b> to provide ideas to <b>Cate</b>.</p> <p><b>Janeta</b> to recruit volunteers for November.</p>	
7.2 MRCA Notice Board	<p>To provide a professional notice board, other than on the shop door.</p> <p>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 <a href="http://www.michelagoregion.org.au">www.michelagoregion.org.au</a> at the bottom.</p>	Ongoing work to find suitable signage locations.		<b>Wayne</b> to place sign on fire brigade notice board.	Ongoing
<p><b>8. Other business</b></p> <p>8.1 MRCA</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Agreed on a multi-pronged approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• letterbox drop with newsletter;</li> <li>• sign up form via website;</li> <li>• shop door sign;</li> <li>• primary school; and/or</li> </ul>	Wayne has been promoting membership through the local shop. Other members may like to do this as well.	<p>Information to be sent to current and potential members.</p> <p>Members can promote MRCA at local shop on a weekend if interested.</p> <p>Jo Gaha suggested a pot luck dinner for village. Wayne suggested that we include the</p>	<p><b>Carolyn</b> to put together list of current/potential members.</p> <p>Sent email to Wayne if you are interested.</p> <p><b>Wayne</b> to explore this issue further</p>	In progress

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• set up table outside the village shop.</li> </ul> <p>Agreed to put a notice on the windows of Community Hall regarding MRCA and other community memberships/activities such as Fire Brigip.</p>		school and community.	with church and other community members.	
8.2 – Other business	<p>In progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colinton RFS Station – highway access</li> <li>• Support for land for Michelago Fire Brigade’s new station site</li> <li>• see Cooma-Monaro Express (tabled and given to L.Pattison) – there’s \$150K funds for various projects. \$9K is reserved for each of the other eight community groups, including Michelago.</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	MRCA to look at putting in a project plan to get project funding. Could apply for ‘a bit extra’ if necessary.	For discussion at next meeting.	Defer to next meeting.	Pending
8.3 Railway	<p>Rail Land has been taken over by John Holland Group and are 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>Wayne mentioned that John Baliaro 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>	For discussion at next meeting.	Nil.	N/A

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	<p>Robyn 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>				
8.4 Phone					
8.5 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>Potential content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Map</li> <li>- Regular events: Australia Day on oval Mayfair Services</li> </ul>	<p>New phone directory being updated from school.</p>	<p><b>Janeta</b> to research what resources and information would be useful for new people.</p>	<p><b>Janeta</b> to contact Fiona to see what information she has.</p>	<p>In progress</p>
8.4 Access to ACT schools	<p>Janeta Morison brought up the issue re: reports (personal and other residents) re: difficulties accessing pre-school and primary school services in the ACT.</p>	<p>General discussion about more stringent ACT school policy re: out of area enrolments and option to use local schools.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<b>Date for next meeting</b>	<p>Meeting closed at 8.30pm Next meeting: Wednesday 3 October 2012 7pm</p>				