

**Minutes Michelago & Region Community Association
Meeting 4 November 2009**



Agenda Item	Background	Discussion	Decision	Action	Status
Meeting opened 7.10pm	<p>1. Present: Mareeca Steer Gill Robinson, Jeremy Mears, Trish Grice., 2. Apologies: Tony Robinson, Martin Hughes, Carmel Birch, Ines Pintos Lopez, Paul Kennedy, Bronwyn Gatringer,</p>				
3. Minutes 7 October 2009			<p>Motion: That the minutes of the meeting held on 7th October be adopted. Gill/Trish CARRIED</p>	<p>Tony put minutes in store.</p>	Done
4. Matters Arising 4.1 Oval Exercise Track	<p>Council has allocated \$51,000 from the Federal Infrastructure incentive grants to put in a track around the oval. Dept of Sport & Recreation has agreed to the variation in funding. PK has been awarded the tender for track.</p>		<p><i>This item to be kept on the agenda.</i></p>		

4.2 Heritage Brochure	<p>At June meeting, the Committee agreed to put information on the web site rather than print brochures. Ines circulated a draft extract of the Road South by Ruth MacFadden for web publication.</p> <p>At the October meeting: Motion: Committee to obtain the rights and to look into republishing "The Road South" by Ruth MacFadden. Seconded: Ines</p>	Nil discussion as Ines not at the November meeting.	<i>This item to be kept on the agenda.</i>	Ines to send email to committee about e-brochure.	Done
4.3 Management Plan	MRCA should soon be thinking about input into the 2010/11 plan. January 2010 is when Council starts proceedings. So start thinking now.		<i>This item to be kept on the agenda</i>	Tony to revisit last year's list and flesh out the points.	
4.4 Pony Club highway turnoff	Turn-off is dangerous for those entering with horse floats. Martin has written to the RTA. Police have also raised the problem with the turnoff.	Letter received from Steve Whan.	<i>This item to be kept on the agenda.</i>	Martin to follow-up	
4.5 Village Plan	At the meeting in July, the Committee decided that what was needed is a Strategic Plan similar to ones supplied by Mareeca for other communities.		<i>This item to be kept on the agenda.</i>	Mareeca to continue to follow up.	Mareeca has contacted the Dept of State & Regional Development. Nothing so far.
4.6 Rural Broadband Connection	DRSD has put out a funding program over 5 years, giving small communities the opportunity to put in an expression of interest for their own community for a Mesh network. We are awaiting the next funding roll-out.	Change of policy will provide cable to home, not wireless hubs. Village will get the upgrade; elsewhere will stay with existing wireless options.	<i>This item to be kept on the agenda</i>	Mareeca to continue to follow up	

4.7 MRCA Newsletter	The aim is to publish quarterly.	Next Newsletter in November as Spring issue. Summer issue will be in mid-January	This item to be kept on agenda	Tony send out email for new content	Cathy is fine with the schedule
4.8 Multi- Purpose Court	\$9600 has been received from State funding. Mareeca had an email from Ross Lawley indicating a cost of around \$45k after putting this project to tender.	We can restore the court to its original condition using working bees.	Not enough money for the court so put the \$9600 to finish the track if approved by Sport and Rec. See walking track agenda item. Item to be kept on the agenda.	Martin to contact council to get John Colaric to clean it up as he did for Mayfair past.	
4.9 Harvey Norman BBQs	This is an essential fund raiser.	Will be held at Harvey Norman 7/11/2010	Item to be kept on the agenda.		
4.10 Village Sign	Sign has not been installed	Committee anxious to get sign erected.	Item to be kept on the agenda	Jeremy to chase up sign man	Done
4.11 Mayfair 2010	Date: 2 May 2010. Original concept was to showcase local business. Idea of having ethnic food stalls rather than the sausage BBQ. Would free up people and make money from the stalls to cover BBQ takings.	Trish has agreed to coordinate the next May Fair with help from a sub-committee. Tony, Gill, Sandra Lauer, Jeremy & Ines volunteered to help.	Trish to contact Fiona Tollis. Trish to "kick-start" planning in October. Item to be kept on the agenda.	Trish to follow up. Sub committee to go to various markets to contact stallholders	
5. Correspondence	Email from Bronwyn, Michelago Fire Brigade to hold Community BBQ 28 th November. 4pm on the oval. Martin has requested that 08/09 Community Annual Report be circulated. Applied for FACSIA grant.	Bronwyn suggested that MRCA hold tea/coffee and cake stall. Most people already have commitments on 28 November.		Gill will send out email requesting assistance.	Done
6. Treasurer's Report		Balance is \$1768.40 . Term deposit earned \$48.80.	Motion: That Treasurer's Mareeca/Trish Carried Motion: That the term deposit be rolled over for another 3 months Trish/Mareeca	Gill will follow up on un-presented fire brigade cheque	

7. General Business				
7.1 Council Business	A regular item when Councillor Martin Hughes reports to the Committee on Council deliberations.	Nil as Martin not present but he has circulated the Council catch-up page.	Item to be kept on the agenda.	
8. Other Business				
8.1 Australia Day		The committee agreed to hold Australia Day BBQ.		Done
8.2 Apply for Lions Club funding		Table and bench for Picnic Table. Pat Kearins makes this type of table.		Tony to order bunting etc from Council. Gill will contact Ross Lawley for quote and also ask Pat.
8.3 AGM	Mareeca pointed out that the AGM date should be set at the next meeting.			

Meeting closed at 7:40pm