

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF  
THE MOUNT WILSON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.  
HELD AT KIRK'S CORNER, HILLCREST LANE,  
ON FRIDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2013**

Opening remarks	The meeting commenced at 7.35 p.m. Alison Halliday, Acting Chairman, welcomed everyone.																																
Present/apologies	<u>Present</u> –Alison Halliday (Vice President), Libby Raines (Treasurer), Moira Green (Secretary), Brian Abrahams, Kim Gow, Ted Griffin, Bill Ryan <u>Apologies</u> - Richard Beattie (President),																																
Confirmation of minutes	The minutes of the meeting of 14 <sup>th</sup> June, 2013, held at Maple Lodge, The Avenue, were confirmed as a true record.																																
Treasurer’s Report	<p>Libby Raines presented the following report:</p> <p><u>Mount Wilson Progress Association Statement of Accounts 1-6-13 – 31-7-13</u></p> <p><u>Working Account</u></p> <p><u>Receipts:-</u></p> <table><tr><td>Membership</td><td>3,310.00</td></tr><tr><td>Website repayments</td><td>306.66</td></tr><tr><td>Interest</td><td>212.07</td></tr><tr><td><u>Total Receipts:-</u></td><td><u>\$3,828.73</u></td></tr></table> <p><u>Expenditure:-</u></p> <table><tr><td>Alan Gunn - maintenance</td><td>1,226.50</td></tr><tr><td>Peter Raines – Waterfall Track (labour only)</td><td>1,380.00</td></tr><tr><td>CW Print – newsletters</td><td>53.25</td></tr><tr><td>Oley Media Group – additional usage</td><td>204.00</td></tr><tr><td>Secretary – office supplies</td><td>196.73</td></tr><tr><td>Bank fees</td><td>35.00</td></tr><tr><td>- <u>Total Expenditure:-</u></td><td><u>\$ 3,095.48</u></td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Total receipts</td><td>3,828.73</td></tr><tr><td>- Total expenditure</td><td><u>3,095.48</u></td></tr><tr><td>=</td><td>733.25</td></tr><tr><td>+ Carried forward</td><td><u>12,912.02</u></td></tr><tr><td>=</td><td><u>\$13,645.27</u></td></tr></table> <p><u>Bank balance on 1-8-13</u>    <u>\$13,645.27</u></p> <p>Fixed Term Deposits :- \$18,000.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Libby was asked what she was happy with as a working balance. She explained that \$12,000 was good as it enabled her to pay expenses e.g. Alan Gunn when BMCC was late in making payments .</li><li>• It was noted that 6 people have not paid for advertising on the website, despite notification by Stephan Dean. It was decided that a letter be sent with an invoice giving notice of removal from the website if payment has not been received within 1 month.</li></ul> <p>It was moved, Kim Gow, seconded, Brian Abrahams that the report be accepted.</p>	Membership	3,310.00	Website repayments	306.66	Interest	212.07	<u>Total Receipts:-</u>	<u>\$3,828.73</u>	Alan Gunn - maintenance	1,226.50	Peter Raines – Waterfall Track (labour only)	1,380.00	CW Print – newsletters	53.25	Oley Media Group – additional usage	204.00	Secretary – office supplies	196.73	Bank fees	35.00	- <u>Total Expenditure:-</u>	<u>\$ 3,095.48</u>	Total receipts	3,828.73	- Total expenditure	<u>3,095.48</u>	=	733.25	+ Carried forward	<u>12,912.02</u>	=	<u>\$13,645.27</u>
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<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>In</b>	
	19-6-13	Graham Tribe to MWPA Secretary – explanation of liability limit of website
	26-6-13	Glenn Sherlock, BMCC to MWPA Secretary – response to request for road name change
	17-7-13	V. Frank, BMCC to MWPA President – maintenance and sealing of roads
	8-8-13	Thom & Johanna Renton to MWPA Secretary – application for MWPA membership
	16-8-13	Glenn Sherlock, BMCC to MWPA Secretary – instructions issued to install signage Farrer Rd West, East.
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	19-6-13	MWPA Secretary to Graham Tribe - request for information of liability limit of website
	21-6-13	MWPA Secretary to Mt Wilson residents – notice of BMCC meeting re. sealing of roads
	27-6-13	MWPA President to Michael Begg – decision on road sealing and Stage 2 Village Hall
	5-7-13	MWPA President to Paul Creelman, BMCC – issues relating to sealing of sealing of roads
	17-7-13	MWPA Secretary to Johanna & Tom Renton – Invitation to join MWPA
	22-7-13	MWPA President to Roza Sage – electoral boundaries and road sealing- community support
	26-7-13	MWPA Secretary to MWPA members – nomination for committee
	14-8-13	MWPA Secretary to BMCC Councillors, Louise Markus, Roza Sage – invitation to AGM
	15-8-13	MWPA Secretary to Bruce Scoble, Endeavour Energy – invitation to AGM
	<b>Emails – Mount Irvine/Bowens Creek Road</b>	(placed in designated file)
	19-6-13	MWPA President to Julie Kneebone, Hawkesbury Council with response – process of evaluation by Govt. Office of application to close road
	19-6-13	MWPA President to Charmaine Ingram, ABC – speakers for TV 7.30 Report
	21-6-13	MWPA President – comments on documents from Jeff Organ, H. C. minutes of 2009, 2010
	28-7-13	MWPA President to Hawkesbury Councillors – request support to withdraw application to close road
	2-8-13	MWPA President to David Howell – postponement of issue to adjourned meeting
	7-8-13	MWPA President to RFS, BMCC Councillors etc. – withdrawal by H.C. of application to close road
	7-8-13	MWPA President to Mayor & Councillors, Hawkesbury Council – thanks for decision to withdraw application
	<b>Emails – Proposed Changes to Electoral Boundary</b>	(placed in designated file)
	24-6-13	MWPA President to Mt Wilson, Mt Irvine residents – request for lodgment of objections to proposed change
	1-7-13	MWPA President to Electoral Commissioners – MWPA submission
	1-7-13	MIPA President to Electoral Commissioners – MIPA submission

	<p>11-7-13 MWPA President to David Chesterman – implications of electoral change on Mt Irvine Rd upgrade</p> <p>7-8-13 MWPA President to Tim Gow – Mt Wilson &amp; Mt Irvine to remain in Blue Mountains</p> <p><b><u>Business Arising from Correspondence</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Website – it was agreed that the best financial option had been considered but recommended that a thorough review be made 5 years from the start of the website - Moira Green to notify Graham Tribe of this.</li> <li>2. Road name change – advisory signs to be installed. Moira Green will notify Vic Zhukov. Alison Halliday will make further inquiries about the possibility of name changes. Beth Raines will be asked if it is worthwhile to follow up discrepancies in road names for clarification.</li> <li>3. MWPA membership fees have been received from Johanna and Thom Renton. Their membership was approved.</li> <li>4. It was reported that Louise Markus had expressed congratulations to Richard Beattie for the successful outcome of the Mt Irvine Road issue with Hawkesbury Council. She has offered to lobby for funds for the road recovery.</li> <li>5. Thanks were expressed by the Committee to Richard Beattie for his efforts regarding the Bowens Creek Road and the electoral boundary issues and congratulations on the successful outcome.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Business arising from minutes &amp; matters requiring ongoing attention</b></p>	<p><b>MWPA/BMCC current issues report and responses</b> – Alison Halliday reported:</p> <p><u>Landslip on Mt Irvine Rd</u> – Paul Creelman indicated that he is aware of the importance of this walkway being restored and that regardless of the success in getting the grant, it would be restored. However, because of the safety repercussions with the increased volume of visitors over spring it was decided that additional pressure should be made by putting it on the AGM agenda. Paul will be notified of this.</p> <p><u>Concrete plinths and poles</u> – arrangements have been made through Dan Long with Stuart Fuller. 20 of the 30 plinths have been made. The rest will be done after repairs to the machine. Poles are also available from Council. Delivery will be made when all plinths are completed. The usual arrangements will be made with BMCC to share costs.</p> <p><u>Sealing of roads</u> – the residents were informed of the decision of Council to seal all unsealed roads and the arrangements for this in the last newsletter.</p> <p><b>Other Village Issues</b></p> <p><u>Unmade roads</u> – Libby Raines provided a list of roads and a map of same and Moira Green has copied previous correspondence with Dept. of Roads. It was decided that it was good to have these on record for reference by future committees and residents.</p> <p><u>Bollards</u> – Alan Gunn has moved these from Hillcrest Lane to Cathedral Reserve. It was mentioned that 1 of 3 at the bottom of the track under the power lines has been moved. It was decided that Endeavour Energy people may have done it.</p> <p><u>Weed eradication</u> – Council has been working all over, particularly near the mill. Bush Care has been working at Founders Corner. Libby Raines asked the Committee members to look at the large rhododendrons at Founder's Corner</p>

and to advise about the pruning of these.

Alison Halliday indicated that the weight of weeds is pulling down the rhododendrons outside Wyndham so that they are intruding onto the road. Although it is Council responsibility, it was decided that a letter be written to the Wilson drawing their attention to the danger for pedestrians and motorists. A similar situation exists in Church Lane and a letter will be written to Miss Egan also.

War memorial site maintenance – Ted Griffin has spoken to Bill Johnson, who indicated that stump grinding would be a day's work, \$1,600 - \$1,900. Patrice Fletcher is happy for the work to be done. It was agreed that a formal quote be sought and accepted and it be requested that the work be completed by the end of September, allowing time for Alan Gunn to level the ground before Remembrance Day.

Signs repainting – the contractor has not been in Mt Wilson. Libby will talk again to him.

Waterfall Road mulch – Peter Raines is waiting to relocate his bobcat.

Cathedral Reserve

- See earlier note on logs and plinths
- "Toilet full" sign – Alison Halliday will follow this up.

Uncovered water well – this has not been covered yet.

"No BBQ" signs – has been returned to Silva Plana. Libby will follow up on the one for Wynnes Rocks Lookout.

Silva Plana – signs and bollards have been returned. Alan Gunn is still to deal with the timber heaps. It was reported that there is a fallen tree in the corner of The Avenue and Queens Avenue. Libby will check whether it is a safety hazard or not.

Picnic tables – Alison Halliday reported that she has completed a survey.

There are, 25 individual tables, 4 shelter sheds (3 with 4 tables, 1 with 1 table), making a total of 38 tables at 10 locations. There are 3 stone seats.

Possible sites for more tables are Du Faur's Rocks, Wynne Reserve, The Avenue near Silva Plana, Queens Avenue, outside Coolangatta and the end of Hillcrest Lane. Wynne Reserve and Queens Avenue were considered the best options.

Bill Ryan has inquired of NPWS about construction of furniture but couldn't contact the appropriate person but he suggested that it would possibly be \$1000 per table of similar style

It was decided that no further action be taken. It was noted that tables in Waterfall Reserve need to be located more appropriately.

New power poles – the pole outside Wollartulkee has been replaced.

Waterfall bridge – has been repaired.

Rabbits – there is evidence at New Bywood and Kirk's Corner. Bill Ryan will acquire Rabbit.

Remembrance Day preparations – Brian Abrahams reported that all is well but is still waiting for confirmation from Christopher Carey. Lithgow City Band

	trumpeter is a fallback option.  <u>War memorial booklet</u> – Alison reported that there are only some errors of transcription from the memorial in the old booklet and an appendix of full names needs to be added. She recommends that it be printed at MWPA expense and a free distribution made.
<b>General Business</b>	<u>AGM</u> – Bill Ryan will organise drinks, Kim Gow food, Brian Abrahams, barman. Allison Halliday has given apologies.  <u>Thanks</u> – as Kim Gow is not seeking re-election to the Committee, Alison Halliday thanked her for her participation during the past four years.
<b>Date/location next meeting</b>	A.G.M. – 21 <sup>st</sup> September, at 5.30 p.m. in the Village Hall  Committee Meeting – Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m. at New Bywood
<b>Close</b>	The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Signed as a true record

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Beattie

Chairman