

## Minutes - Barwon Heads Association May 2016

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7:00pm at the Elderly Citizens Centre in Clifford Pde

Apologies: Judith Brooks, Sarah & Warren Jackson, Anna Tucker, Jane Vinecombe, Marg Pockock

Attendees: Sandy Gatehouse, Jeremy Gaylard, Ann Waite, Brenda Reidy, Virginia Ronaldson, Anthea Merewether, Michael Tucker, Steve Paterson, Warwick Mandelson, John Romeril, Richard Hastings, Geoffrey Waite, Paul Fox, Trish Clayton

### Part 1 SAFETY & SECURITY

Sandy talked about the history of the BHA and our focus on the safety and security in Barwon Heads. Our October meeting had community safety as our main theme and was attended by Sr Sergeant Angelo Ferrero from the Bellarine Police Station at Ocean Grove. He has now been replaced by Shane Madigan, the new Snr. Sergeant in charge of the Bellarine Police Station. The BHA, through Judith Brooks has also been an active member of the Bellarine Community Safety group that has been established by our local member Lisa Neville.

Jeremy Gaylard has also volunteered to be our representative on the Committee of Management for the Bellarine Police Community Support Register.

Barwon Heads Neighbourhood Watch - Andy Barlow talked about his initiative to establish a Barwon Heads neighbourhood watch.

<https://www.facebook.com/BarwonHeadsNeighbourhoodWatch/>

*The Barwon Heads Neighbourhood Watch program is an NFP, apolitical program with the intention of being 'owned by the community' but 'administered by volunteers'. In saying so, it will be up to the community to get as much out of the program as the community is willing to put in. I also have a personal perspective that organisations such as this, with such important purpose, can bring communities together in a unique way. I'd like to extend a special thanks to Snr. Sgt. Andrew King, Snr. Sgt. Shane Madigan, Graham Higgerson and the NHW Administration for offering such great support, time and encouragement. Priority to encourage the community to better protect their possessions, property and each other.*

*What do you want us to do and what is end result? What is the benchmark? (Winchelsea worth looking at).*

- *group formed*
- *funding being sort*
- *keep our members involved*
- *Launch - Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 8.00-9.00pm for a community launch at the Barwon Heads Community Hall.*
- *Specific tasks*
  - o *Setting up neighbourhood quadrants*
  - o *Safety audits*

BHA strongly supports Andy and the Victorian Police in helping to ensure this initiative not only gets off to a good start, but also yields a meaningful and effective benefit to our small, but passionate community.

## **Part 2 UPDATE ON WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING**

New

- Barwon Heads Structure Plan 2010 – review process 2016 has commenced. Members will be kept informed.
- Drainage outfall Ozone rd – BHA following up with CoGG.

Ongoing

- Managing residential development advisory committee – presentation planned for 19<sup>th</sup> May, We have briefed Shelly Fanning town planner/environmental lawyer to advise us. It appears that most of our good work and community consultation over the past 15 years has been deleted from the Municipal Strategy Statement in 2013 so that the new zones could be imposed on us.
- Objection to 9 Bridge Rd development – ongoing
- Removal of native vegetation
  - Warwick Manderson advised the meeting of his supreme court action and shared a letter he has received from CoGG.
  - The meeting discussed this and agreed that the Supreme Court action was a private dispute between neighbours.

## **Part 3 - COMMITTEE**

- Fundraising – ongoing. Thank you to all for their support this year.
- Subscriptions 2016-2017 – the meeting endorsed new membership fees for 2016-2017 as follows:

Moved Geoffrey Waite, seconded Paul Fox membership be raised:

**Family membership \$30**

**Individual membership \$20**

**Concession membership \$10**

**All membership renewals received before 30<sup>th</sup> June will remain at the current rate.**

**Committee membership - the Committee have co-opted Steve Paterson to the Committee. We thank him for his time and interest. We welcome his thoroughness and skills.**

**We are organizing a Federal electoral forum for the 20<sup>th</sup> of June with the Ocean Grove Community Association. Please put in your diary. We will advise of the venue closer to the date. This is very important, Corangamite is a very important electorate.**

**August 15th BHA meeting – the Hon Lisa Neville member for Bellarine will be attending our meeting.**