

YORKEY'S KNOB RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Held on Tuesday 28 May 2008
at 7.30pm, Wattle Street Community Centre**

Present: Chair – Pam Bigelow (President), Wendy Dowsett (Vice-President)
 Jeff Chopping (Treasurer), Laurie Chopping, Peter Gavey
 Jane Greig (Secretary), Maurice Milliner, Lorri Williams (Newsletter Editor)

Members present: See Meeting Attendance Book

	Item	Action
1a	Welcome Pam Bigelow welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
1b	Apologies Apologies were received from Judith Harrison, Wayne Le Clos, Jasse Walton and Snr Constable Anthony Kirkham.	
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting The Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 April 2008 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting. Moved: Lorri Williams Seconded: Wendy Dowsett	
3	Business Arising from Previous Minutes There was no business arising from the Minutes.	
4	Correspondence See Schedule below. Correspondence moved: Jane Greig Seconded: Morris Milliner	
5	Treasurer's Report The Treasurer's Report was confirmed as a true and accurate record. Moved: Jeff Chopping Seconded: Jane Greig	
6	A Special Resolution to Amend the Rules of the Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pam Bigelow explained that the Constitution of the Yorkey's Knob Resident's Association Incorporated had not been amended for a number of years and that the Management Committee of the Association agreed it was time to revisit this document and update it as necessary. • In accordance with the Office of Fair Trading guidelines, the amended document must be tabled and passed at a regular monthly meeting of the Resident's Association. • Pam advised that the document was available to members for review and that the main changes were to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Item 3 - Objects of the Association ○ Item 6 – Membership of the Association ○ Item 9 – When Membership Ends • To enable the document to be passed as amended, a show of hands were called for from members present. The voting was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For – Seventeen ○ Against – Nil ○ Abstain - One <p>The Constitution of the Yorkey's Knob Resident's Association Incorporated was therefore passed and would be forwarded to the Office of Fair Trading with the appropriate form and payment of lodgement fees.</p>	Secretary
7	Festival of the Knob Maurice Milliner, the Festival Coordinator gave an update on the upcoming 4 th Festival of the Knob: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparations for the Festival were progressing extremely well • Insurance coverage for the stage was however problematic • A variety of entertainers had been booked • 70 stall holders have booked • Raffle tickets had been selling well – particularly outside the IGA and bottle shop on the weekends • The prices for children's rides had been reduced to \$3.50 and a coupon had been printed in the latest edition of the Northern News reducing these to \$3.00. • More volunteers were required and if anyone can help, please email residents@yorkeysknob.com.au or call Maurice on 4055 7804 • Nominations for the King and Queen of the Knob were needed from the 	Community

	Community, once again please email residents@yorkeysknob.com.au or fill in the nomination slip in Yorkey's Knob Matters.	
8	<p>Proposed Development at Cunningham/Rutherford Streets</p> <p>Pam Bigelow gave an overview of the proposed development and thanked Cr Margaret Cochrane for bringing the plans to a meeting of concerned residents held at the Community Centre on Saturday 24 May.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The application is for a unit block on the corner of Cunningham and Rutherford Streets, opposite the golf course containing 40 units 4 stories high, on 2,500 sq metres of land. ▪ The land would require rezoning from Residential 3 to multi-unit and tourist accommodation. ▪ Car parking would be an issue as multi-unit housing and tourist accommodation zoning allows for less car parking spaces than just multi-unit housing. ▪ The application would be impact assessable, and residents will have the opportunity to lodge an objection to the development once a sign had been erected on the block. The closing date for objections will be shown on the sign. ▪ Names and email addresses had been noted from residents who wished for further information once it was to hand. Please email residents@yorkeysknob.com.au if you wish to be added to this list. <p>Cr Cochrane displayed the plans following the meeting when further discussion ensued.</p>	
9	<p>Community Garden</p> <p>Lorri Williams spoke about this project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It was hoped to utilise a block of land stretching from the Child Care Centre in Best Street through to Varley Street. Cairns Regional Council would be contacted about this land. ▪ 10 people had expressed interest in the project, and other interested residents should contact Lorri on 4081 0550 or email residents@yorkeysknob.com.au ▪ Lorri had been in touch with the organisers of the Machans Beach community garden who had ¾ acre block, and it was agreed that when the group was formed, it would visit the Machans Beach garden to discuss ideas. ▪ The garden would produce vegetables and there were already plenty of seedlings and mulch. ▪ The owner of the vegetable stall in Smithfield shopping centre would be interested in buying any surplus vegetables. <p>Glenys Francis further explained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Produce would be cost effective and organic. ▪ Health and educational benefits would be achieved. ▪ It would be an excellent opportunity for families who lived in units and had no garden. <p>It was suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That a flyer be produced for inclusion with the Festival flyer shortly to be distributed to each household. ▪ An information booth be arranged for the Festival. ▪ An article be prepared for submission to the Yorkey's Knob State School newsletter. 	<p>Community Garden Committee</p> <p>Lorri Williams / Maurice Milliner</p>
10	<p>Reports</p> <p>Cr Margaret Cochrane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Helipad - waiting for further information from the applicant. When received, Margaret will try and arrange a public meeting with the applicant. ▪ Nothing has been received from Toma re their sub-division plans. ▪ Has requested that a permanent flag pole be erected at the beach. ▪ Is having a meeting with Council next week re the Caretakers residence behind the Community Centre. ▪ Understands that the overgrown pathway at the beach has been cleared. ▪ Has noted that the garden at the front of the Community Centre has been completed. ▪ The tree in Goodwood Park near Jai's restaurant is full of white ants, has a fungal disease and cannot be saved. The Arborists suggest that as the canopy is full, the other trees there should grow better. They will monitor the canopy and if this is not the case, they will replant. <p>A mature tree will be planted to replace the dying tree on the Esplanade which appears to have been poisoned.</p>	
11	<p>Any other Business</p> <p>Questions from the floor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Gavey said he believed that money had been allocated to flood proof Yorkey's Knob. Margaret advised that this was correct and that Dunne Road would be made flood immune during the next financial year 2008/2009, enabling access to Smithfield. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Desley Bridgewater was concerned that despite many years of discussion, kerbing and channelling had still not happened in Adair Street. This was becoming a health and safety issue, particularly since the new unit development in the street. Margaret replied that she has been trying to have talks with the local area traffic management about this, and will keep trying. Other residents voiced their concerns that this was just another example of how multi unit development impacted on residents. Pam Bigelow reiterated how important it was that residents voice their objections through the proper channels if they disagreed with proposed developments. A resident was concerned that their landlord was to lop trees on the property that they rented in Caddy Street. As this backed onto a creek, Margaret would investigate. A resident complained about a noise issue at the Community Centre which recently had loud music and alcohol late into the night. Margaret advised that the Community Centre Committee regretted this incident and was currently reviewing their hiring policy. It was suggested that once reviewed, notices be placed on the walls of the Community Centre outlining the policy. <p>FNQ Regional Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pam Bigelow gave an overview of the plan and advised that with Wendy Dowsett, they would peruse the plan in more detail and report back to a future meeting of the Residents Association. Briefly the plan suggested high density living but the State Government would leave this decision to individual Councils. Margaret commented that applications were requested to follow the Cairns Style guidelines, which included verandas, breezeways, rotation of buildings etc. She further advised that Council was currently investigating to see if they can legislate design of buildings. <p>Yorkey's Knob Village Precinct Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret Cochrane had been unable to get plans from the engineers. Wendy had a small copy of the plans and was concerned that the engineers were treating this project with disdain. As an example they would be extending the green concrete islands. She was at a loss to understand this, particularly as the Mayor Cr Val Schier and Deputy Mayor Margaret Cochrane had voiced their support for this project at the Resident's Association meeting held on 29 April 2008. It was agreed that after the Festival this item would become a priority. 	<p>Margaret Cochrane</p> <p>Margaret Cochrane</p> <p>Pam/Wendy Jane – agenda</p> <p>Jane - agenda</p>
13	<p>Next Meeting The meeting closed at 9.10pm with a reminder that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 24 June 2008.</p>	

Correspondence in since the previous meeting:	Correspondence out since the previous meeting:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invitation from Queensland Government for Pam Bigelow, President YKRA to attend launch of FNQ Draft Regional Plan on 9 May Call for nominations for Barron River Electorate Queensland Day Awards – letter from Steve Wettenhall Stationery Account from Post Office Email from Glenda Rowan advising phone number for the Yorkey's Knob Community Centre is now 0448 635 376 Confirmation of use of Parklands for Festival from Cairns Regional Council Newsletters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yorkey's Knob State School Machinations Steve Wettenhall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of thanks to Steve Barton, Civic Theatre for loan of sound equipment "Meet the Candidates"