

**YORKEYS KNOB RESIDENTS  
ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**28 August, 2007**

**Held at Community Centre, Wattle St., Yorkeys Knob.**

**COMMENCED:** 7.45 pm.

**PRESENT:** Chair - Wendy Dowsett (Vice-President)  
Management Committee: Jeff Chopping (Treasurer), Jasse Walton  
(Secretary), Laurie Chopping, Maurice Milliner, Lorri Williams  
(Newsletter Editor)

**MEMBERS PRESENT** See Meeting Attendance Book

**APOLOGIES:** Richie Bates, Pam Bigelow, Judith Harrison, Wayne Le Clos, Lorri  
Williams

**1. WELCOME** by Wendy Dowsett to all members. Pam Bigelow is unable to be present tonight due to family commitments.

**2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (31 July)**

**That Minutes be accepted. Moved Jeff Chopping/Brian Hooley. Carried.**

**3. CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- Office of Fair Trading, Annual Return
- Wettenhall newsletter, August
- CCC - Acknowledgement of YKRA letter re Caretakers House
- Lasertag cheque
- Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre AGM invitation
- Australia Post - account
- Yorkeys Knob State School newsletters, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> August
- Clifton Beach Community Association newsletter, May/June
- "Machanations" August
- Cairns Airport re terminal reconstruction arrangements
- Email from Katherine Dunlop re junior soccer
- Email from Paul Lamont re Air Services Australia & RNP trials
- Cheque from Louise Angel
- Advertising payment from Harcourts (\$110)
- Cairns City Council - re Caretaker's House

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- Email & phone calls to Louise Angel
- Email to Richie Bates re junior soccer

**One piece of correspondence was noted by the Secretary - the Cairns City Council sent YKRA a letter re Caretaker's House (dated 24 August 2007) stating that the house is**

uninhabitable at present, needs repair and upgrading, and thus the appointment of a new caretaker is not a viable option in the short term.

Brian Hooley (Secretary of YKAG) mentioned a gardener has been appointed for the Community Centre's grounds, but no caretaker. However Brian mentioned that the centre seems to be functioning fairly well despite the lack of a caretaker, although night-time tennis is not available as no-one is present to turn on the lights. Margaret Cochrane expressed surprise at the contents of the letter and mentioned she was to meet with Council officers this Thursday (30 August) and caretaker's house was an item on this agenda. She will keep us informed as to developments.

**That correspondence be accepted. Moved Jane Greig/Jeff Chopping Carried.**

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Jeff Chopping presented his Report.

**That Treasurer's Report be accepted as read: Moved Jeff Chopping/Maurice Milliner. Carried.**

#### **5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:**

**(a) 'York 43' Sims Esplanade - naming of suburb.** Jasse has twice emailed the developers on this matter, but both bounced back. She will contact their website.

**(b) Request to Cairns City Council re provision of outside toilets at Community Centre.** Letter was written to CCC in July re this matter, also mentioning the need for toilets at the south end of the beach, but no letter of acknowledgement has been received. Margaret Cochrane said this had been discussed at Council level, & toilets at the southern end of the beach identified as a need at Yorkeys Knob, and hopefully would be budgeted for next financial year. She will be in discussion with Council officers.

**(c) Festival monies** - have now all been received.

#### **6. REPORTS**

##### **(a) Margaret Cochrane**

(i) Alistair Toma has been found & served with notice to clean up South Beach site, the mandatory 30 days elapsing fairly soon. If no action is taken by Toma, council can then proceed with its own clean-up and charge the amount to Toma's Council bill.

(ii) The organising committee for Australia Day 2008 will meet this Thursday for an 8am meeting.

**(b) Steve Wettenhall, MLA.** Not present tonight.

**(c) Police Beat.** Constable Kirkham not present tonight.

**(d) SES Report** appeared in 'Yorkeys Knob Matters'. Alan Cullington mentioned Yorkeys Knob SES crew attended the plane crash site this past Saturday night. Also 3 young lads from Yarrabah went out for turtles, and appeared lost. However they beached their boat at Holloways Beach and were found in a Cairns shopping mall. Many SES were involved but kids were OK.

**(e) Aircraft Noise** - The CPA Consultative Committee met last Thursday. RNP trials along Esplanade will continue until next January. Cairns Esplanade residents unhappy Wendy brought up the Hercules low flight issue, and asked for the meeting's support to write a letter to Warren Entsch on this issue. Support given.

(f) Historical Committee - Maurice mentioned that he organised a huge display at Yorkeys Knob State School as part of their 75<sup>th</sup> celebrations, and various members attended. It seemed a huge success and many previous state school members have offered to send photos and various items of Knob memorabilia to Maurice to add to the collection. Very successful weekend.

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

(a) **Constitution.** Management Committee working on it at present.

(b) **Australia Day 2008** - dealt with above.

(c) **YKRA Memberships.** Now due July, a reminder to members to pay their memberships.

(d) **Auditing** - Management Committee has decided to retain current auditing procedures for the Association, although new State Government legislation only requires associations with assets over \$100,000 to return an audit.

(e) **Purchase of BBQs.** Two flat-plate portable BBQs are to be purchased by the Association for use at Festival and other YKRA events.

(f) Brien Hooley suggested that **Ian McNamara (Macca of ABC Radio)** to open 2008 Festival. To be brought up next at next Management Meeting.

(g) **AGM next month - nominations** must be received by of 11<sup>th</sup> September.

(h) **Local residents - Wayne & Janece (Jo) West of Tee Street** are trying to sell their house and are having trouble doing so. They claim that having the Police Beat next door is impeding the sale. Margaret Cochrane offered to set up a meeting with Steve Wettenhall

**8. MEETING CLOSED at 8.45 pm.**

**NEXT MEETING: AGM & then Monthly Meeting - Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30 pm.**

Signed as a true and correct record:

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Chair

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Date