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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
held on Tuesday 29 November 2011
at 7.30pm, Wattle Street Community Centre

Present: Pam Bigelow (Chair), Wendy Dowsett, Jeff Chopping, Lorri Williams, Allan Cullington, Peter D'Abbs
Members: see attendance book

		Action
1.	Welcome Pam welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies Maurice Milliner, Niki Cullington	
3.	Minutes of the previous Meeting held on 25 October 2011 Were confirmed as a true and correct record Moved: Lorri Williams Seconded: Rhonda Coghlan	
4.	Business arising from previous Minutes Jane reported on the very successful outcome to save the cycads from being removed by Ergon.	
5.	Correspondence See schedule below. Jane reported that after a successful application for in-kind assistance from the CRC to have the area outside the shed concreted, this was recently done and would be used for the sale of a BBQ and cold drinks at Carols. Correspondence moved: Pam Bigelow Seconded: Jane Greig	
6.	Treasurer's Report Jeff gave the Treasurer's report. Lorri advised that the IGA would pay our costs of the sausages for the sizzle, therefore allowing us to donate \$277.00 to the SES. Many thanks to Peter & Bob of the IGA. Treasurer's report moved: Jeff Chopping Seconded: Lorri Williams	
7.	Yorkeys Knob Village Precinct Project Pam gave a brief overview of our second meeting with Council which was held on 9 November. At that meeting, two plans were produced which were extremely pleasing to the YKRA Committee. The Council will be seeking feedback from residents along Varley Street in the immediate area and then another meeting will be arranged for late January.	
8.	Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaret Cochrane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cr Margaret Cochrane reported that she also contacted Geoff Bowes at Ergon to 	

	<p>reiterate that the removal of the cycads was unacceptable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mango tree at the shopping centre – unfortunately the experiment to limit fruit growth was unsuccessful and so the tree will be removed. It will be replaced with another tree in consultation with the Council arborist. ○ Ray Street – water tank. A resident has taken photos of kids in Cairns High uniforms climbing it. It will be secured and now that the water recycling plant is in use, it will be used for storing recycled water for the school. ○ Sunbus – accommodation houses in YK have spoken to Margaret about complaints they have received from their guests about the lack of service to Yorkeys. ○ Margaret spoke with Richard Gabasa and he indicated that we may get a 11am direct service into town. This would be achieved by consolidating the 3 direct services in the morning into two in the early morning and another one at 11am. <i>See also under Any Other Business</i> ○ Carols - Margaret has the candles and the candle cups are on their way. The bins are ordered and will be dropped off on Friday. ○ From the floor – When it rains, water in the walkway between IGA and Cunningham Street stays there for about a week. Margaret will look into this. She also reports that due to wheelchairs and walkers, there cannot be anything put there to slow down the bikes. ○ Jenny said that could the weeds etc be cleared away from the path in the walkway. Margaret will put in a request. ○ Noel reported that the stage in the community centre parklands is undulating and has settled unevenly. The meeting agreed that it would be a shame to get rid of the grass and that perhaps it be looked at with a view to levelling it out. ● Police Beat Snr Constable Mathew Rhode reported that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vehicles parked around the shops have not been locked and items have been stolen from them. ○ The surf life saving hut was broken into and the defibrillator stolen. ○ A BBQ was stolen off a balcony on the Esplanade. ○ Cars have been vandalised on both the Esplanade and Varley Street ○ A break-in occurred at Deauville Close and a bag was stolen. ○ Bottle shop theft – culprits were caught via video footage. They were not from Yorkeys Knob. ● Steve Wettenhall No report as Steve did not attend. 	<p>M Cochrane</p> <p>M Cochrane</p> <p>M Cochrane</p>
9.	<p>Carols by Candlelight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All is ready for Carols which will be held on Sunday 4 December from 5pm. Adrian thanked everyone who has worked hard to get the event together and reminded everyone who was working at Carols to please be there by 3pm. 	
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sunbus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Karen Middlecoat gave an overview of her letters to Sunbus and Transit Australia about the lack of Sunbus service to and from Yorkeys Knob. ○ The meeting agreed that the service was appalling. ○ Peter said that Sunbus has a monopoly and surely the State Government has an obligation to residents to provide a decent service. ○ Margaret suggested that she try and get Richard Gabasa from Sunbus to attend our February meeting. It was agreed that this was a very good idea. ○ Karen advised that Steve Wettenhall had contacted her and that he thought that the Yorkeys Knob service was acceptable. ○ Margaret will send Jane a link to the consultation site for the uni transit station. 	<p>M Cochrane</p> <p>Margaret</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was suggested that a Yorkeys bus be established that could connect with Smithfield or the Uni etc. ● It was unanimously agreed that the Committee, with the help of the community, will again contact Transit Australia to voice our concern about the lack of service to Yorkeys Knob. ● Shed A working bee was held at the shed, Allan and Jenny Cullington put the new shelving up and the shed is now tidy. ● Raffle The Star of Siam restaurant has very kindly donated three \$30 vouchers, one of which which will be the raffle prize at the monthly meetings from August- November 2011. 	Pam/Jane/ Community
10.	<p>Next Meeting The meeting closed at 8.45pm. This is the last meeting for 2011, and the first for 2012 will be held on Tuesday 29 February 2012.</p>	

Correspondence in since the previous meeting:	Correspondence out since the previous meeting:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirmation of In Kind Assistance from CRC to the value of \$2000 for the construction of concrete pad beside shed. ● Confirmation from Ergon that they will not remove the Cycads ● Letter from Steve Wettenhall re new Cairns Economic Future Plan 2011-15 ● Bendigo Bank statement and notice of maturity of term deposit ● Newsletters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Machinations ○ Steve Wettenhall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Letter to Ergon re their proposal to remove cycads in Atherton and Varley Streets