

**Minutes of the MVA General Meeting
3-30 pm Sunday January 25, 2009
Montville Village Hall**

1. Welcome and Apologies

Colleen Brady, Diane Greer, Sid Kirkby, Joan Dillon, Jim Cox, Judy Exeley, Michael and Kylie Simpson.

Welcome Andrew Powell – LNP Candidate of the Glasshouse electorate.

Jenny Hansen-Read acknowledged the gift from the Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild – a gavel crafted by members of the Guild.

2. Minutes of the General Meeting on 30 November

A minor amendment was requested by John Greer to correct a typographical error.

Ann Borthwick questioned the reference in the previous minutes regarding the PA system. Ann requested that it be noted in the minutes that the PA system was not second-hand as minuted in November. It was purchased new from Mooloolaba Music in late 2002-2003. The reason the system is in poor condition is due to the way it has been used, generally by people who do not know how to use the system. Pam Magdefrau apologised for any misunderstanding regarding the PA system as it was the information passed onto Pam when she became a secretary.

John Dillon moved that the correction is an accurate record.

Seconded: Deborah Davis

Carried

3. Business arising from minutes

Pam Magdefrau sought to clarify the minutes in respect of the printer. The printer was Pam's personal property and broke down due to the heavy workload. A motion was passed at a previous MVA meeting that a printer be purchased to replace the printer supplied by Pam. This occurred in 2005 and can be located in the relevant meeting minutes.

3. New Members

Nil.

4. Correspondence

Inwards:

- The Range Care Crier
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council – correspondence seeking confirmation of the availability of the Montville Village Hall as an emergency facility.
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council – notification of a course for business governance.
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council – offer to provide an operational grant of \$400.
- Peter Wellington correspondence advising of the release of the draft revision of the SEQ Regional Plan.
- Two letters from the Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council regarding Russell Family Park advising signs prohibit bikes and skateboards only relate to the deck area around the lake, not the pathways.

Outwards:

Letters of thanks to

- Jasmine Scott
- Mapleton RSL
- Woodies
- Ian and Ann Green

Letters inviting to sportsground meeting to

- Woodies
- Soccer Club
- Tennis Club

Invitation to attend MVA meeting to

- Citimani Hospice

Pam Magdefrau moved correspondence be accepted.

Seconded - John Greer

Carried

5. Business Arising from Correspondence

Jenny Hansen-Read reminded the meeting about the revision of the SEQ Plan. A copy of the draft plan has been forwarded by Peter Wellington for viewing by the community. The MVA Executive Committee determined that the role of the MVA shall be that of facilitator for the community to obtain the relevant information in order to make submissions. Peter Wellington will be invited to attend the next general meeting to speak about the plan. Numerous letters of thanks have been issued recently by the MVA which is indicative of the high level of support from the community.

5. Treasurer's Report

Bank Reconciliation Statement of MVA as at 25 January 2009

Credit Balance as per bank statement - 29 November 08		9337.02
Add deposits not yet credited	1105.65	
	<u>650.00</u>	
		<u>1755.65</u>
		11092.67
Less Unpresented cheques		
	1596 32.85	
	900317 152.05	
	1651 253.00	
	1652 240.00	
	1653 166.00	
	1654 <u>134.00</u>	
		<u>977.90</u>
Credit balance as at 25 January 09		<u>\$10114.77</u>

Statement of Receipts & Payments as at 25 January 2009 (including months of December and January)

Receipts

Borthwick	Hall	10	
Lucas	Hall	50	
COC	Hall	250	
A Ormiston	Hall	60	
Silvia Juric	Hall	280	
Montville Ladies Club	Hall	25	
JW & MW Norton	Hall	50	
Bowerbird	Hall	80	
Natural Abundance (Ged Summer)	Hall	585	
Natural Abundance (Ged Summer)	Hall	450	
Operatif	Hall	<u>200</u>	
Total Hall Hire			2040
Donations from Santa Night	Donation		140.65
I & A Green	Marquee	<u>250</u>	2430.65

Payments

Hall Caretaking - Michelle Biggs (for November)	1598	240.00
Montville Village News (including Oct bill of 23.80)	1599	44.65
Hall Caretaking (reimbursement of supplies) - M Biggs	900298	101.27
Maleny Auto Electrics - lights on trailer	900317	152.05
Kleenheat Gas - yearly fee	900318	47.30
Sharyn Peacocke - Website maintenance - yearly fee	1651	253.00
Hall Caretaking - Michelle Biggs (For December)	1652	240.00

A Rexa (reimburse Microphones for Santa night)	1653	166.00	
World Vision - Gift - Health Package + 3 chickens	1654	<u>134.00</u>	
Total Payments			<u>1378.27</u>
Surplus for months of December/January			<u>\$1052.38</u>

Letter from Joan Dash requesting verification that a \$500 donation had been received by the MVA in 2004.

Alison Rexa has moved that a letter be issued to Joan Dash thanking her for her donation.

Seconded: Jenny Hansen-Read

Carried

A cheque was received from the Shire of Landsborough Historical Society for \$45 to be deposited into the Montville Historical Group account and Gillie Warren to be advised.

Moved: Alison Rexa

Seconded: John Dillon

Carried

6. Business arising from the Treasurers Report

Nil.

7. General Business

7.1 Sportsground

The MVA was not successful in the grant application for funds to enable a mowing service for the year. Therefore the issue of the sportsground maintenance has become a priority. The council has indicated that they may view more favourably an application for a mower.

Rick Rexa reported on a good turn out for the mowing between 8 and 10-30 am last weekend. Rick thanked all of the people who did turn up and assisted with the mowing. Best turnout yet.

Ann Borthwick raised concerns regarding the ongoing maintenance of the sportsground.

Deb Davis reported to the meeting that a number of issues have been identified in relation to the ongoing operational management of the sportsground. The MVA has a lot of obligations insuring and running the sportsground without any satisfactory way of doing that. A meeting is to be convened including all the stakeholders to achieve mutually agreement solution. Four key stakeholders have been invited to form an informal working group :

- Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild
- Range United Soccer club
- Montville Tennis Club
- Arts Connect

Key issues to be addressed:

- Ongoing Maintenance
- Electricity
- Accessibility
- Insurance

Then the group can move forward with master planning for the sportsground.

The first meeting is scheduled for Saturday 31 January, 2009.

Dave Bannister of BRWG referred to the item raised by Jenny Hansen Read for photovoltaic cells and noted that the government contribution may terminate in June.

Hamish Borthwick asked the meeting if there are lease agreements in place. Leanne Michell confirmed there are some agreements but not what would be considered as legal documents, more honourable agreements.

7.2 Marquee and trailer

Rick Rexa reported that the trailer is secure. Rick referred to some difficulty in getting the trailer registered particularly in relation to VIN, weight , axle bearing capacity and the need to provide proof of ownership. The MVA is awaiting a letter from the Rural Fire Brigade confirming that the trailer was donated about 6 years ago. Once the trailer has been registered the matter of insurance will need to be addressed.

Jenny Hansen-Read moved a vote of thanks to Rick Rexa, Matt Roy and the Rural Fire Brigade.

7.3 Australia Day Commemoration

Judith Sinnamon reported that breakfast will commence at 7 am. The Horseless Carriage Club will be exhibiting a record 24 vehicles. The Mapleton Choir and Michael Simpson & Band will provide

entertainment. Mark Inch will provide an espresso coffee option. The guest speaker is Jennifer Carter and her topic is "Unity in Diversity". Finally a special performance by local children. Our raffle will feature with prizes kindly donated by Flame Hill Winery and Le Jardin. Councillor Jenny MacKay has sent her apologies. She will not be able to attend as she will be recovering from her chemotherapy.

Thanks to the sub-committee: Colleen Brady Pam Magdefrau, Heather Lewis and Frith Duggan for their time and common sense over the last month or so. We hope it all goes smoothly and that we have a rain free and well attended breakfast and ceremony. If it does rain however, the ceremony will be held in the Montville Hall.

7.4 Next fundraiser

Bingorama – 14/2/09 6-9 pm

Dinner which will be sausages and vegetarian burgers with a choice of there salads served between 6-7 with Bingo commencing soon after Judith showed the poster designed by Claire Green.

Judith is seeking donations for the prize list and lucky door prize – something with a romantic bent would be appreciated given it is Valentines Day. Any business who donates will be advertised on the stage screen throughout the evening.

7.5 Local Produce Market

The market has been postponed to June due to two full month bookings of the hall before then.

7.6 Future fund raisers

RockWizz, Morning tea with a guest speaker. Any other suggestions regarding fundraising opportunities are most welcome.

7.7

Jenny reiterated that the MVA will write to Peter Wellington to attend the next meeting.

7.8 Volunteers Grant Application

Volunteers grant was not successful.

Awaiting result of grant submission for office equipment. Jenny is happy to donate a workstation. A goal of the Executive Committee is to obtain office equipment before the 2009 AGM.

7.9 Iconic Legislation – Assessment Panel

Congratulations to Mr John Dillon for his appointment to the Assessment Panel for the Iconic Legislation.

John Dillon reported that his appointment occurred in late December. The orientation meeting is set down for Feb 3, 2009. The members of panel:

- Richard MacDonald
- Jenny Mackay
- Ian Adams
- Leo Jensen
- John Dillon

Main activity is assessing proposals and determining how they would impact upon the legislation.

Strict protocol regarding release of information (only by President). John will seek consent to report to MVA.

7.10 Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild Report – Dave Bannister

Will not mention today matters that will be brought up next Saturday.

In respect of the letter to DMR concerning road safety along Balmoral Rd near the sportsground Dave asked what progress has been made. Leanne Michell advised there has been no response from DMR.

Will pursue after 31 January.

Sportsground signage to go onto the agenda for the stakeholders meeting on January 31st

Dave is concerned about the boundaries. LM has attempted to contact Brian MacLennan with no success. Will continue to do so.

Dave Bannister suggested that the meeting will be at the sportsground.

Moved: David Banister

Seconded: Ann Borthwick

Carried

Hamish Borthwick suggested we contact Les Gittens who will assist with a contact in the DMR in Gympie.

7.11 Montville Tennis Club Report – Murray Stewart

The club is pleased with the new artificial surface and the lights on the court. The members have replaced the trim around the clubhouse and painted. Will continue to spray weeds around tennis courts.

7.12 Blackall Range Care Cottage Report – Alan Lewis

The demand for the cottage has grown 30% in the last 6 months. Next fundraising event is a piano recital at Lucas Parklands – open garden and recital on the evening of March 28, 2009, with another recital on Sunday the 29.

7.13 Rural Fire Brigade Report – John Greer

John warned the meeting about not lighting fires without a permit as there is a suspected firebug in the area. It is necessary to obtain a permit, notify the fire warden and take appropriate precautions. The brigade has two new members. The operational force is now about 22. Everything is functioning fairly well.

The Christmas BBQ held on Jan 10 which was fairly well attended.

John advised where practicable to have a fire-fighter pump installed on private property as electricity is the first thing to go in a house fire which means electric pumps cannot function. This should enable the householder to hold the fire until the brigade can attend. Need to allow 20-30 minutes for the rural brigade to attend and the same for the Nambour brigade.

Alison Rexa requested John to remind the brigade's secretary to send the letter confirming donation of the trailer.

7.14 Montville Freemasons Lodge Report – Bevan Christiansen

A presentation to the Care Cottage of a reversing camera.

The Harry Butt Citizenship award was presented to Claire Michell of Montville State School in November 2008.

A plaque is to be installed in the garden at the front of the St Marys Hall. Kyleigh Simpson has volunteered to put some plants in the garden.

7.15 ArtsConnect Report – Pam Magdefrau

A good couple of months over December and January. The group is working with Council to deliver Arts on the Green scheduled for May.

Showcase on Valentines Day, February 14, 9-30 to 3-30 am.– exhibitions by tutors and students from 2008 in the hall and other members on the green. Community mural for fundraising for a hostel accommodating disabled men. Storyteller, puppeteer, musicians. Should be a lovely family day. Good increase in membership. Expect the organisation to build up and offer diverse activities.

7.16 Working Bee for the Sportsground – Matt Roy

Thanks to Ray Burge and Ray Allen for offering to assist with mowing the sportsground if Matt could help transport the mowers to the sportsground.

Matt suggested that a shade structure would be most helpful to allow everyone to rest, catch up and have morning tea after the working bee.

Judith asked if we were still looking at planting by Barung Landcare. Matt advised this will be addressed by the stakeholders group. Jenny advised the meeting that Vicki, one neighbour has offered to donate native plants if they are required and will even help with the planting.

Next working bee: Saturday January 31, 2009 from 8 am onwards. John Greer has volunteered to assist if someone could pick up his mower.

7.17 Neighbourhood Watch Report

Neighbourhood Watch is progressing slowly. We have hopefully filled the position of Zone Co-ordinator for Kondalilla. The problem facing some of our Zone Co-ordinators is the lack of Blockies. Blockies play a vital role. Apart from communicating the Zone Co-ordinator they organise distribution of information and supplies to their neighbours. They are only required to look after 10-12 houses. So I appeal to you, if you'd like to be a Blockie, we would love to have you on board. Unfortunately, if Neighbourhood Watch doesn't receive enough support, the Police Crime Prevention Unit will close us down.

Our next meeting is 7pm on 12 February at the Montville Village Hall and the guest speaker is Sergeant Di Kirkman of the Crime Prevention Unit.
Everyone is welcome. So come along and be informed.

7.18 Santa Night Report – Rick Rexa

Positives – high level of enthusiasm from the students. High number of people including those from outside Montville. Generous donations from the community. Purchased 3 chickens and children's health package.

Issues – program too long; audience too large for the venue – hot. Insufficient sweets for the kids.

Recommendations:

- Move to Village green with a decent sound system;
- Condense the program with an earlier start 5 to 5-30 pm;
- Allow prep students to perform at the beginning of the program then rest and eat;
- Treble the lolly supply;

Need to reinstate the Santa Committee. The workload is too much for two people – historically Rick and Alison Rexa.

Acknowledgements for support and donations:

- Candy Addictions – Don Hammond
- Montville Village Association
- Mary Hynes – Principal Montville State School
- Jacinta Foale – Music Teach Montville State School
- Carolina Fuentes- Chaplain
- Lesley Funnell - Teacher
- Rita Stevanovic - Teacher
- Greta Blowers - decorations by the MSS Prep students
- Karen Barnett – Bahai Leader
- Yvette Nirvana – Buddhist Leader
- Montville State School Students
- Chris Schloss – Montville Kid's Club
- Mark Green – Montville Kid's Club
- Les Gittens
- Mark Roderick and Bushfire brigade
- Alan and Michelle Felmingham – first aid post
- Rob Read – Technical
- Alison Rexa – Organiser
- Rick Rexa – Organiser & MC

Alison Rexa moved that letters be sent to Candy Addictions and the MRFB in thanks.

7.19 General

Michelle Biggs on behalf of Michael Simpson pre-emptive letters of thanks for the Mapleton Choir in respect of Australia Day. Frith Duggan also said that she and Judith will advise Matt who else should be sent letters of thanks for the Australia Day Ceremony.

Frith advise the meeting of Dr Jennifer Carter – guest speaker, a younger member of the community with a very long family history.

Ann Borthwick asked that the Treasurer's Report be in the minutes in future. The Secretary will attend to this.

Pam Magdefrau moved that the proceeds of the Australia Day raffle go towards purchasing office equipment for the MVA.

Seconded: Claire Green

Carried

Meeting Closed 4-53 pm

Next meeting: February 22, 2009.