

NUNAWADING AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.  
MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT LOCAL HISTORY ROOM 22 OCTOBER 1999

Present: Valda Arrowsmith (President), Barbara Rogalski (Treasurer), Bruce Reynolds (Vice-President), Jess Barnes, Bill Gray, Anne Jones, Barbara Keene, Joy Kenny, Rae Matthews, Peter Simmonauer (Minutes), Frances Warren.

Apologies: Barbara Gardiner, Judith Fry.

Minutes of previous meeting: Accepted. B Keene, B Reynolds.

**Business arising:**

- Lighting - carried forward.
- Meeting Program - in General Business.
- Old letter box - still at Rooks Road, no further action
- Mitcham Primary School - signposting to venue not adequate, activity did not justify members in attendance, although 8 copies of History of Nunawading sold.

**Correspondence inwards:**

- Museums Australia (Vic) Invitation and booking form for Spring Salon at National Gallery of Victoria on Russell, 17 November, 5.30 - 7.30 - \$10 (members); program for Out and About Forums: Annual Report, and Committee profiles.
- Heritage Victoria - Note of the new database, *Victorian Heritage Register Online*, listing registered heritage places and shipwrecks, [www.heritage.vic.gov.au](http://www.heritage.vic.gov.au).
- MAPS - Accreditation visit program, 10 November, 9.30 am - 2.00 pm.
- City of Whitehorse, Peter Seamer: acknowledging NDHS acceptance of \$2,000 Community Grant for 1999/2000.
- City of Whitehorse, Draft Heritage Policy - seeking comment. *Copies distributed to Committee Members. Please give comments to V Arrowsmith ASAP.*
- Whitehorse Manningham Regional Library Corporation. Booking form for displays in Nunawading Branch Library *Booking already made for April 1999? V Arrowsmith to check with B Gardiner*
- Inmagic Newsletter
- Triad Newsletter
- Surrey Hills Historical Society Newsletter
- inSITE (Museums Australia (Vic) Newsletter
- Yellow Pages !
- National Trust - Victorian Heritage Festival Booking Form. Theme: "Our Sporting Heritage", 25 March - 2 April 2000. *The NDHS meeting with Bob Gardiner speaking will remain on 9 April. Date of NDHS Open Day to be shifted, preferably to 26 March - check with Julie Jones, overall co-ordinator of Whitehorse program of events.*
- Committee of Eastern Historical Societies. Annual Meeting 30 October 1999, Nomination form for Committee Members. *Bruce Reynolds willing to continue - still one vacancy.*
- George Demetrios - seeking support for opposition to Council action in removing bluestone from Nunawading Shopping Centre. *Moved A Jones, seconded B Keene, that a letter be sent to City of Whitehorse requesting retention of bluestone in original location - although it may be re-arranged. Agreed.*

#### Correspondence outward:

- V Isaacs - good wishes for newspaper project
- Blackburn Chamber of Commerce
- ICC Secretariat - thanks for *reCollections*
- Lois Binnie re Wisteria Party
- Welcome to New members - Jay Miller and Catherine Jenkins.

#### Treasurers Report:

- \$2,000 Community Grant received.
- Current Balance: \$5327.
- Invoices Passed for payment:
  - John Skeay for clock restoration \$20.00 (*incl. new key and pendulum, with notes about the history of the clock - letter of thanks to be sent*)
- Brison - \$20.00
- Jason - \$150.00
- Brumbys - \$250.00
- 4th Hamilton Guides - 53.40
- B Gardiner - 94.82
  
- Wisteria Party collection: \$65 (covered expenses of tea and coffee etc.)
- Some handkerchiefs and cards sold by the attendants - proceeds to come.  
Report accepted - Moved B Reynold, seconded J Barnes.

#### President's Report:

- MAPS have commented favourably on our submission.
- Working Bee 6 November. If insufficient people available on the day, V Arrowsmith will ring around for people to come on the following Monday. Important because MAPS visit on Wednesday, and there are a lot of areas to cover.
- Meeting Program, 2000.
  - June meeting - George Robinson not available - Marjorie Morgan on Boer War veterans instead
  - August meeting World War I veterans
  - Bruce Reynolds valuation & show and tell - to December
- Myer Window slide program - a special meeting proposed for Thursday 25 November 1999, 8 pm, \$5 admission, incl light supper. (n/c children). B Reynolds to confirm arrangements. Special mail out needed, as Newsletter will not be sent until after this date.
- Whitehorse Spring Festival, 31 October. Proposed display of Christening Robes and Cameras. Available to attend: B Gardiner, B Keene, V Arrowsmith, J Barnes, R Matthews. - others?
- Record thanks to all who helped with Wisteria Party - very successful despite weather.
- NDHS display - thanks to B Rogalski who has moved display to another shop, as the first one will be tenanted shortly
- Agreed not to purchase photo of woman washing from RHS.
- Noticed that Information Board at Mitcham Station uses such an old version of the Melways map that Schwerkoft Cottage is not even mentioned, and many other aspects are out of date. P Simmenauer to check Blackburn Station, and attempt to identify contact at Hillside Trains, so that they can be contacted

- Advice that an indication of our intention to submit a proposal for extensions to the Schwerkolt Cottage and Museum Complex be sent to City of Whitehorse soon in time for it to receive attention in Council's 2000 program and budget. Moved B Keene, seconded B Reynolds that a letter be sent to the CEO foreshadowing a request for consideration of extension proposals. Content of letter to be drafted after reference to suspended Extension sub-committee's work on 27 October.

**General Business:**

- A Jones suggested that a grant be sought from the Australian Heritage Commission for a Conservation Study and Management Plan for Schwerkolt Cottage.
- A Jones indicated concern that there is no Conservation Plan for the old Council Chambers building at 360 Whitehorse Road, to be auctioned on 27 October. She will attend auction and report on outcome, so that a suitable course of action may be discussed. V Arrowsmith noted that the Ward Report should be referred to before any action is proposed.
- A Jones recommended that 360 Whitehorse Road be nominated for the National Heritage Register, and that the Pound House should also be nominated, after consultation with the Box Hill Historical Society. *Agreed that a letter to Box Hill HS should be sent seeking their interest in participating in this nomination.*
- A Jones moved, seconded by J Barnes, that a letter be sent to City of Whitehorse, seeking information about the stage of progress of the feasibility study of Strathdon Orchard, indicating our interest in the site on account of its cultural importance to the area and our wish to be consulted in the course of the study.

Next meeting: Friday 26 November, 1.30 pm.

INVOICE/STATEMENT No. 96

DATE: 26-11-99

TO: MUMMADAY + DIST ART SOC  
ENV. COMMITTEE MEETING

FROM: P. Rajalakshmi - TREAS.

ORDER No.

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	\$	c
	Bill as at 26-11-99			
		4977	25	-
	B. GARDNER H/Kapry etc		150	-
	Copy of ART. Hist Soc		15	-
	ENERGY 21		31	45
	Tool Price Assoc. - Su 10		30	-
	Museum's Trust.		65	-
	V. Aravamudan		43	65
	<i>P. Rajalakshmi</i>			
		SALES TAX		
		TOTAL \$		