

**Nunawading and District Historical Society Inc.**

**Minutes of Committee Meeting on Friday 28 July 2000**

**At Local History Room**

**Schwerkolt Cottage and Museum Complex**

**Present:** Valda Arrowsmith (Chair), Judith Fry, Barbara Gardiner, Bill Gray, Anne Jones, Barbara Keene, Joy Kenny, Barbara Rogalski, Peter Simmenauer (Minutes), Frances Warren.

**Apology:** Jess Barnes.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Amendments: B Rogalski to be included in Apologies; P Simmenauer offered to take Minutes if required. Approved Jones/Warren.

**Business arising:**

- Lighting c/f
- PO Box – arrived and temporarily located in Implement Shed
- Trolley – purchased
- Wheelie Bin – waiting on possible purchase by Council – T. Binney
- Foot pedal control for transcriber purchased – to be trialled by B Keene and P Simmenauer
- Recommendation for fee rise to \$12.00 (Individual), \$18.00 (Family) to be put to AGM (Keene/Gardiner) (along with recommendation to review every 2 years)
- MCG Tour – reduced to one!
- Questionnaire on operating hours included in current Newsletter - (Hopefully returns at AGM and otherwise.
- Community Arts on Parade - \$57.30 receipts and good exposure.
- Street Names Project - General agreement with outline as presented by P Simmenauer; No need for Ward information; Council will not have relevant information summarised; Subdivision Engineer will be source of more recent information; further written comments received from B Keene.
- Photography of Intersections - no action - c/f
- Leach Collection - F Warren will enquire.

**Correspondence Inward:**

- Museums Australia (Vic) - Archivists Conference.
- Invoice from Jardine Lloyd Thompson for Volunteer Personal Accident Insurance \$124.49
- Heritage Victoria - Registration of Old Shire Offices
- L Binney re Complimentary Pass to Cottage for Society Members: - OK but exact conditions need clarification - V Arrowsmith will check. Tickets will be issued from both Museum and Cottage in future.
- L. Binney re relocation of collection in case of disaster: - assurance that a facility will be provided.
- Mark Donovan - Planning permit 360 Whitehorse Road - two letters
- Rochelle Cakebread - Mayor has accepted invitation to speak at February 2001 General Meeting

- Wodonga Family History Conference, April 2001 – Albury
- Simon's Mobile Menagerie
- Two requests for research (off-site) received (Ronda Whitten, Benalla; Laraine Ramselaar. A Jones will handle.
- Minutes of Eastern Freeway Community Liaison Group 11 July
- Newsletters Surrey Hills Historical Society, Eltham Historical Society and RHSV.
- Victoria 2001 Centenary of Federation

#### **Correspondence Outgoing:**

- APA Publishing - NDHS local directory (Living in Whitehorse) entry
- Sue Barnett for Ration Book (Mitcham, Eng.)
- Ronda Whitten
- Rohyn Miller, RJISV

Correspondence accepted (Keene/Try)

#### **President's Report:**

- Objection to new offices at 360 Whitehorse Road placed by NDHS there will be a Forum on Tuesday 31 July, Committee Room B – please attend if possible. V Arrowsmith will speak. Cr K Way is chair. Issues: lessees' refurbishment of front, underground carpark and storage; drive replacing former path at west side of building; dispensation for car parking; setback of offices. Heritage Victoria have been telephoned and notified in writing. Objection to granting a permit to vary from recommendations to be delivered to Council Monday 30 July am. Approved (Keene/Gardiner)
- Museum extension plans. Quantity surveyor's estimates very high for Option 1 (\$248K), Option 2 seems to interfere with cellar; Option 3 is unacceptably close to large tree on north side. We may have to explore an option which separates the Implement Shed from the main building. We will meet to discuss suggestions at 10 am on Wednesday 3 August.
- Deep Creek Road bridge. Visit from four Council officers seems to indicate that the loop road from lower car park exit has been dropped from Council and VicRoads consideration. They are now examining possibilities of upgrading the upper entry/exit, with a turning loop at the lower (northern) end. However traffic management devices would seem necessary to make this solution practicable, such as a Roundabout, triggered traffic lights, closure of Deep Creek road as well as a Traffic Management Study by Whitehorse. A letter to this effect to go to VicRoads, with copies to Council, Manningham, Ringwood, Minister and Richard Casey.
- Proposal to acquire horse paddock – deferred.
- Heritage Trail – Council are proceeding, new sites still wanted.
- Accreditation Working Party still attending to outstanding matters.
- Dolls and Textiles repair. \$65 approved for Princess Elizabeth doll (Rare!). Appropriate dress being investigated. Restoration of Lacquer Box, with abalone inlay, estimate \$110-120 – approved.
- Agreed to continue identifying gaps in collection, but not to allocate specific funds for acquisitions

#### **Secretary's Report**

- Next Working Bee 16 September 9.30 am – pre- Wisteria Party

- Friends' Meeting – Wisteria Party set for 8 October. Program: to include Jason (storyteller), Pony rides, Playdough etc. No Brumbies this year.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Balance as at 28 July: \$2464.31

Paid in: \$347.50

Paid out:	Origin (Gas)	36.45
	B Gardiner Stationery, toner	133.66
	Jardine Insurance	124.49
	Arrowsmiths - misc. expenses	82.59
	Ted Goole – photos.	16.00
	B Keene – dry cleaning	40.00

Report accepted (Keene/Warren)

#### **Association of Eastern Historical Societies**

- Funding Seminar Saturday 28 July at Schwerkolt. Three NCHS members attending (VA, BK, PS)

#### **General Business**

- Structural Engineer has assessed building for VicRoads
- AGM – all Committee members present indicated willingness to stand again. B Keene will nominate for Secretary, P Simmenauer will assist by taking Committee Minutes, and lending electric typewriter.
- A Jones has volunteered to handle research queries requiring off-site attention
- Donation of Mitcham Red Cross records and memorabilia received per J Fry.

Meeting closed 4.10 pm.

**Next Meeting:** Friday 25 August, 1.30 pm