

WHITEHORSE HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC
MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING 6TH FEBRUARY 2006

1. Present: J Fry (Chair), J Ventouras (Treasurer), P Simmenauer (Secretary), V Jones-Evans (Minutes), W Standfield, V Arrowsmith, I Nethercote, Barbara Gardiner, W Gray, Fred Smith, Joan Henwood, George Henwood

2. Apologies: none

3. Minutes of last Meeting: Moved WG, Seconded IN

4. Business Arising:

M. Sandilands – VA to put on oral history interview list

Bulleen Costume Collection Visit – suggestion for visits to Villa Alba and Dandenong Heritage Hill as well. BG & VA on Wednesday to assess suitable dates and enquire

Fundraising Event 2006 – discussed costume event/ Bunnings sausage sizzle - unresolved

Photos of Suburbs – FS to take photos of Mitcham for this year. List needs to be drawn up of following years.

Whitehorse Gives – VA moved that we apply for membership and then go on their website posting for volunteers to assist with the work of the WHS.

Moved VA Sec PS

5. Reports:

a) Treasurer: Balance of \$4,056.66 (incl \$2,500 Oral History Grant) Donation account balance - \$351.00. Paid In \$1167.50 Paid out \$1,354.09. JV circulated bank statements. Incoming items are being itemised correctly for JV. Oral History Grant balance \$1,554.27. Additional expenses sort - \$50 petty cash float – PS, \$20.35 dry cleaning bills – VA

Moved JV Seconded WS

b) 40th Anniversary Celebration - JF reported a successful and happy day. Thanks from JF for all contributors to the success and thanks to JF for her contribution to the day.

c) Extension: We had 2 meetings in January with the Museum consultants. Robyn, Senior Consultant of Lovell Chen, Architects & Heritage Consultants, presented schematic drawings last week. The Committee viewed the drawings. Robyn is to return this week for further discussions.

d) Environmental Monitoring – Yvonne's Nov & Jan figures showed less variation in temperature and humidity in the LHR compared to the museum which is probably due to the more recent building techniques. FS has reviewed the figures for the end of the last year and has suggested that a more modern unit (Rinnai suggested) with thermostat and humidity control which would be better for the collection. Alternatively a split system would probably require 3 units @ \$2,000 approx each + installation and higher running costs. FS suggested this needs clarifying with the consultants.

e) Pest Management – IN & WS doing pest traps and spraying with pyrethrum monthly.

e) Acquisitions Committee - The committee met last week and reported that they are nearly up to date at present. It was suggested that the acquisitions should be noted in the newsletter.

f) Artifact cataloging – Almost up to date before acquisition meeting. Verinda (currently on holiday) has been doing a stocktake of artifact boxes.

g) Document cataloging - At present up to date

h) photograph cataloging - Pat Ricardson has been working on the backlog.

i) Oral History – 20 subjects have been allocated to the 7 new interviewers plus Barbara Gardiner. Some interviewers have suggested additional subjects. PS has contacted the New Holland Social Club for Dutch immigrants and Cr John Koutsis for Greek immigrants. Yvonne is researching ABS and Council statistics at 5 year intervals since 1950 for percentages breakdown of immigrant groups in order to get a representative sample. At present half the grant funds have

been spent on equipment (mics, batteries, tapes) and postage. BG has interviewed Keith Hancock (building family of the area).

i) Displays – Bob & BG removed the sporting display before Christmas and returned the loaned articles along with letters of thanks. They have put in a Commonwealth Games display until the end of March when Ted will install in that cabinet the new camera display.

j) Membership – BG reported that there were the 7 new Oral History interviewers (not paying) members, 49 single memberships and 28 families (14 couples), 4 newsletter memberships. Not paid: 11 singles, 2 families, 3 newsletters. Some have paid in the last few days after the newsletter reminder was sent last Wednesday. BG has written a Procedure for Reminders for the future: A note for 1 month late, a sterner note for the next month and no newsletter after that.

k) Speakers – JF reported that Lindsey McGurdy will speak on the Deaf & Dumb Society (Blackburn) at Saturday's meeting – gift to be a copy of Ted's book and a set of cards. David Best - unavailable for April but booked for 3 June.

m) Speaking engagements – VA to speak to Jolimont Rd Probus Ladies Group on Friday and she has another engagement in May.

n) Newsletter - A very good edition. JF thanked BG and IN for folding and sorting. Jay Miller and Fred Smith are to co-ordinate directly for photocopying in future. Thanks to Jay for the newsletter.

o) Working Bee – 11 March 2006 – which is the long week-end. VA suggested that the 4 month break over summer was too long, especially with it being the most active time for insects. Suggestion – one in January.

AEHS – meeting 25th Feb at 1pm at Ambleside, Ferntree Gully. June V to rep the WHS Reports Moved IN Sec JH

6. Correspondence:

1. Cof W Open Space Strategy 7/2/06 – BG will attend

2. Yvonne F suggested a list of the first 50 or 100 residents and asked the Committee for guidelines. Moved that We will thank YF for her offer to research a list of the first 100 residents and with her guidance to spread this over Mitcham, Tunstall, Blackburn and Vermont. M VA Sec BG

3. WG suggested research on Boyle (who traveled with von Mueller).

4. Quote for a new photocopier as ours is out of service contract. - \$2,500 we have done 64,040 copies in 5 years. Use our present copier for now.

5. Dept of Vic Communities meeting Thurs 23 Feb – PS & VA to attend.

6. Outwards Correspondence: PS to invite Councillors Helen Harris and Pauline Richards to visit us on Wed 15 Feb or 22 Feb or organize an alternative if this unsuitable.

Additional correspondence presented at WHS meeting 6 Feb 2006

Inwards

Ted Arrowsmith – Honour Board nomination – B Gardiner •

Anne Jones

Thiess John Holland – vibration testing

Outwards

Cr John Koutsas – oral history

Inge van Hoek – oral history

Also note that letters of congratulation were sent to all Councillors recently elected or re-elected, and that letters of thanks for donation (sic) loan of sporting equipment for display

Were sent to Ken West, Christopher West, Brain Maslin, Denis O'Brien, Harry Richards, Graham Black, Gwen Holms, Anne Munro, Garry Barclay as well as to Margaret Oakman

Newsletters, notices

Dept for Victorian Communities – Gathering 23 Feb 9.30-3.00 Whitehorse Centre
Eltham District HS Newsletter Jan 2006

Now and Then Jan 2006

Proactive summer 2005/06

Yarra Glen HS Newsletter Feb 2006

Correspondence Moved BG Sec WS

7. General Business:

1. Honor Board –The Committee suggests that the recommendations of Barbara Gardiner, nominated by Ted Arrowsmith, and Judith Fry, nominated by Barbara Gardiner, to added to the Honor Board be put to the general meeting. MFS Sec WG

2. Computer Purchase – not urgent

3. William Orange has asked if we require a horse stall from Pound House – demolition tomorrow -BG moved we acquire a horse stall Sec JV

For 8, 1 against, 2 abstain

4. Letters of thanks: VA suggested letters of thanks to Mick and Margaret Worwood – Municipal Citizens of the Year; Barbara Keene – in hospital; George Cox for cleaning the 30th anniversary plaque.

5. Something to commemorate the 40th Anniversary?

6. Calendar of Events for Members?

Next Meeting: Monday 6th March at 7.30pm

Meeting Closed at 10.07pm

ORIGINAL COPY INVOICE/STATEMENT No. 80

DATE: 6-2-06

TO: Committee meeting

FROM: June Venbouas

ORDER No:

Bal. 11,056.66		
Paid In		
Subs	58	-
obuseum sales	109	50
	167	50
Paid Out.		
Panasonic	60.	38
P. Ammenauer O/H	263	45
N. Standfield H/Key	50	-
J. Arrowsmith Cards	7	-
D.B. Training	74	-
J. Fry Anniversary book	55	-
Kestie Alves O/H. Wok	580	-
Origin (Gas)	37	11
P. Ammenauer P. book	60	-
J. Arrowsmith Day tin	14	57
P. Ammenauer O/H	132	28
J. Fry. Stamps	50	-
		1354.09

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AGENDA

1. Present

2. Apologies:

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

4. Business Arising

M Sandilands
Bulleen Costume Collection Visit
Fundraising Event 2006
Whitehorse Gives

5. Reports

Treasurer

President

40th Anniversary

Extension

Environmental Monitoring

Pest Management

Acquisition Committee

Artifact cataloguing

Document cataloguing

Oral History

Displays

Membership

Speakers

Speaking Engagements

Newsletter

Working Bee

6. Correspondence:

Inwards

C of W Bicycle Strategy
C of W – Open Space Strategy – submission & workshop
Yvonne Fitzmaurice – early residents
Panasonic photocopier quote
Linda Young (Deakin) – student visit

Outwards

Inge van Hoek Nieuw Halland social Club – interviewees
Mrs Gallagher
Margaret Oakman
Hayley Weller – congratulations
Keith Handcock - interview

Newsletters, notices

Box Hill HS Newsletter Dec 2005
Bundoora Homestead Art Centre
Doncaster-Templestowe HS Newsletter Dec 2005
FAHS Newsletter Dec 2005

Inherit Dec 2005

Insite Nov 2005/Jan 2006

Library News Dec 2005/Feb 2006

MA logo & stickers

MA Workshop Thematic Interpretation (Ballarat?)

MA RETI Information Sessions

MAP Newsletter Nov/Dec 2005

Museum Industry Recognition Awards

6. General Business:

Computer purchase

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