



Bruny Island Community Association Inc.

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Minutes of General Meeting held at Bruny Bowls Club, Adventure Bay Sunday 10th December 2017

Opened 11.10am Fran Davis, Chair.

Present 27 J Kobylec, R & F Davis, M Weston, , G & S Kingston, L Graham, L Haigh, J Mahjouri, R Gobbey, T Thomas, D Welch, J Chester, R Sandford, J Self, M Graham, C McDougall, C Beckitt, R & D Andrews, L & J Kumpulainen, D & J Grace, A Matysek, R Woodruff, J Weld

Apologies 8 D & J Boyer, M & K Duncombe, N Weetman, J Marsh, L & T Story

Previous Minutes Moved J Kobylec 2nd J Boyer that previous minutes be accepted – Passed

Business Arising

1. Proposal by IC4 Developments re Glensyn Independent Living Units – Fran Davis advised she has received a response from Michelle Allen from Kingborough Council re our concerns about the proposed development at the Glensyn units in School Road, Alonnah. Michelle stated that Council requires IC4 Developments to consult with the community if their proposal is to progress any further.
2. Community Bushfire Protection Plan, Adventure Bay – Fran Davis advised she had spoken to Dan Hoare from TFS about the unsuitability of Pennicott’s overflow parking area as a “safe place” in case of bushfire. Dan agreed that the grassed area in front of this block is an appropriate area and the information needs to be changed on the website. He also advised the “safe area” at Quiet Corner was meant to be in the car park. Megan Weston suggested that TFS should advise the community of the revised and updated safe locations. Marg Graham suggested there should be signs erected indicating where the safe areas are located.

Correspondence

- Letters again to Minister Rene Hidding, and others re Adventure Bay Road, and response from Rene Hidding’s office and Cassy O’Connor, MP, Leader, Tasmanian Greens.
- Letter to Premier, Min. Rene Hidding, Rebecca White, Rosalie Woodruff and Lara Giddings re new Ferry contract.
- Responses re ferry contract from Premier, Rosalie Woodruff and Rebecca White.
- Congratulatory letter to Editor, Bruny News from long time subscriber Tania Matthews on publishing “such a strong product... Well done to you all.”
- Letter of thanks from Bob Jager on behalf of B.I. S.E.S. for BICA’s recent financial support
- Letter to State Growth re speed limits at Roberts Point.

Moved M Weston 2nd R Sandford that corro in be accepted and corro out be ratified – Passed

Financial Statement

Tabled Moved R Davis 2nd R Sandford that it be accepted – Passed

Reports

Bruny Life – Fran Davis advised that Mathew Fagan has been appointed by Kingborough Council as the consultant that will conduct the Bruny Island Liveability Study. Mathew met with representatives of the BICA committee recently to conduct a workshop on the project. Further consultants will be engaged to conduct interviews with members of the Bruny community. Further information can be obtained from their website at <https://www.brunylife.com>.

Kingborough Council Consultative Forum (KCCF) – Rosemary Sandford reported on some of the matters that were discussed at the meeting she attended recently as a BICA representative. Rosemary advised that Council had successfully applied for \$200,000 in Blackspot funding through the Australian Government to perform works on Lighthouse Road. Commencing in January Council will be undertaking safety improvements including widening of localized narrow spots at storm water crossings, site benching and installation of an additional 900 odd guideposts. A number of large trees which were located in close proximity to the road edge have already been removed. New Chevron Alignment Marker signage and Curve Warning/Speed Advisory signage has also been installed. New signage has been installed on Bruny Island Main Road to remind motorists to “Keep Left” and with travel times to the main townships and ferry terminal to allow motorists to better plan their trip to reduce the desire for motorists to speed in fear of missing the ferry.

SES Report – Jeff Self reported there have been five accidents recently on the gravel road south of Alonnah. Excessive speed did not appear to be a cause for these accidents.

BICAL – Rosemary Sandford advised the report is in the final stages of preparation and hopefully will be released in January next year.

Library – Darry Welch advised some new books have been acquired recently. Darry also requested that outstanding books be returned.

BICHSAC – Jeff Self advised their last meeting had community observers attending for the first time. They are currently trying to resolve several issues.

BIEN – Marg Graham advised that issues around the damage caused by wild fallow deer are not a high priority for the State Government. Landowners can apply for a permit to eradicate deer that are causing damage on their properties.

General Business

1. KCCF – It was moved by M Weston and 2nd by J Kumpulainen that BICA representatives attending KCCF meetings be authorised to vote on issues affecting Bruny Island – Passed.
2. Grant Applications – Fran Davis spoke about a couple of new grant applications that had been received by BICA recently. After discussion it was moved by J Kobylec and 2nd by R Sandford that \$2,000 be granted to the Bruny Island Boat Club towards the cost of purchasing a defibrillator - Passed. It was further moved by M Weston and 2nd by T Thomas that \$1,000 be granted to Tas Fire Service – South Bruny Volunteers towards the cost of building a deck off the existing building including sliding doors from the training room – Passed.
3. Proposed Moratorium on Fish Farming in Storm Bay and D’Entrecasteaux Channel from Friends of North Bruny - Alex Matysek, representing Friends of North Bruny, spoke to the meeting and expressed their concerns about the increasing volumes of fish farming proposed off Bruny Island. Alex said the science had not been done to support this level of expansion. Alex mentioned the proposed fish farms off Cape Connella, South Bruny will impact the nutrient levels in waters around Adventure Bay. Alex suggested looking at the FONB website at <http://friendsofnorthbruny.org.au/> for further information on this topic. After much discussion it was moved by M Weston and 2nd by R Sandford that the Bruny Island Community Association join Friends of North Bruny and others in supporting their submission expressing our concerns about the level of expansion of fish farms around Bruny Island and call for a moratorium on the expansion of fish farming around Bruny Island – Passed.
4. Health Centre Issues – Megan Weston mentioned that there were many unresolved issues surrounding the inefficient management of the Bruny Island Community Health Centre. After extensive discussion it was moved by M Weston and 2nd by F Davis that BICA write to Huon Regional Care, BICHSAC, all political representatives and relevant heads of State Departments requesting their attendance at a community meeting to address our concerns about the running of the Bruny Island Community Health Centre – Passed.

Other Business

1. David Grace announced he would be retiring at the end of his current term as Councillor and thanked BICA for their support over many years. Fran Davis thanked David for all the work he has done in helping BICA resolve many issues over the years.

2. Huon Aquaculture Drop In Session – Fran Davis mentioned that Huon Aquaculture is holding an information session at the South Bruny Fire Station on Saturday the 16th of December between 10.00am and 2.00pm. They will be discussing their proposed expansion of fish farms in Storm Bay off Bruny Island.
3. Free Green Waste Weekend – Fran Davis advised there will be a free green waste weekend on 27-28 January 2018 at the Bruny Island Waste Transfer Station. Megan Weston suggested there should also be sites available at Alannah and Adventure Bay. It was resolved to write to Council and request that sites for the free green waste weekend be expanded as was provided in previous years. Lyndon Haig also suggested that yellow recycling bins should be installed around Bruny Island.
4. TasWater Information Sessions – Fran Davis mentioned that TasWater were holding information sessions on Wednesday the 13th of December at the Jetty Café, Dennes Point, Bruny Hotel, Alannah and the Bruny Bowls Club at Adventure Bay about water supply issues on Bruny Island.

Guest Speaker

Rosalie Woodruff, Greens member for Franklin, addressed the meeting and discussed issues affecting Bruny. Rosalie then offered to field questions after the meeting.

Meeting Closed 1.20pm

Next meeting Sunday the 14th of January at Lunawanna Hall at 11.00am