**Minutes: 8th April 2024: 7.00 pm, Macclesfield Institute**

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| **1**. | **WELCOME:**  Acknowledgement of the traditional owners - the Peramangk people – and their leaders past and present, on whose land we meet tonight. | | | | |
| **2**. | **PRESENT:** | P. Worland (Chair), G Harris (Treasurer), J. Conroy (Secretary) L. Boyd, R. Davidson, T. Slack, K. Scholz, K. Stephenson, D. Maher | | | |
| **3**. | **APOLOGIES:** | C. Gordon (Vice) | | | |
| **4.** | **GUEST:** Kerryn Corr,  Battunga Country Tourism (BCT) | | History of group – formed 20 years ago, covers Maccy, Meadows, Echunga, Flaxley, Prospect Hill, committee has reps from each town (Maccy - A & D Walsh). Achievements:  Town welcome & township history signs, BCT has website, installed x 2 event frames @Meadows (7000 vehicles pass through daily), BCT brochures, past SASSA Symposiums at Crystal Lake.  Aim: increase tourism potential.  Seeking MBDC funding to create iconic & quirky promotional images for each town (eg Echunga Panther tank, Maccy RSL garden)  Proposed ‘Battunga Weekend’ – 2nd weekend in May 2025 increase tourism to region  Like to update flyers as emphasis on Hahndorf.  Any ideas or suggestions for the group send to Kerryn | | |
| **5.** | **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** | | Motion: “That the minutes of the meeting held 12/3/2024 be accepted”. | | |
|  |  | | Moved: P. Worland | Seconded: J. Conroy | **Motion carried** |

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| **Agenda items** | | **Discussion** | **Decision** | **Action** |
| **5.** | **Business Arising from Minutes** | | | |
| 5.1 | Crystal Lake progress | * MBDC had briefing & consultant to Council meeting to discuss priorities – MBDC centre & Hahndorf therefore do not include Maccy. * Some details of Crystal Lake plan commissioned by MCA to be published despite no public consultation | We need to watch for opportunities. |  |
| 5.2 | Hall Manager- SpacetoCo | - Going well |  |  |
| 5.3 | MBDC License to occupy - Night paddock | * To continue with Horse agistment requires MCA to take out PL insurance ($20 0000). | Horse to be moved immediately/Check MBDC insurance | P. Worland  K. Scholz |
| 5.4 | Change to leasing of Lord Robinson Park (raised at AGM) | * Seeking clarity on change to license. Awaiting response |  |  |
| 5.5 | Crystal lake account and other outstanding matters from previous committee | * Some communication has occurred with previous subcommittee members, |  |  |
| 5.6 | Institute foyer repaint | * Defer |  |  |
| 5.7 | Institute laneway –paved path | * Defer | Quotes still being sought | C. Gordon, J. Conroy |
| 5.8 | Youth group movie night | * Saturday 6th April at Davenport Sq. | Too cold now, too light later in year. Consider trial of screen. Amalgamated movies cost $185 |  |
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| 5.9 | Property/Assets & Events/Activities subcommittee/task groups | - Would this provide a better way of structuring our business, supporting individuals who are leading activities and so MCA committee meetings don't have to consider the details? | Look at for future meeting item |  |
| 5.10 | Bike racks | * Design prepared. To be installed by Institute, Maccy Pub power transformer |  |  |
| **6** | **Correspondence** | | | |
| 6.1 | Business Arising from Correspondence | 1. Mount Barker Council - future library services 2. Mount Barker Council - transport plan consultation 3. Mount Barker Council - Working with children in a volunteer setting - info session | Appears to be MBDC central  P. Worland suggested to MBDC alternate models for out of main town. We may be able to work with other towns.  P. Worland, J. Conroy attended MBDC forum to discuss transport issues. Currently no plans to extend Keoride to outlying townships.  YAH group to prepare letters for MP | K. Stephenson |
| **7** | **New Business** | | | |
| 7.1 | Survey Monkey annual subscription- $384 pa, value to MCA | * $384 pa. * Do we still need subscription? | Think about why and how we can use. Review subscription closer to expiry date. | All |
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| **7** | **New Business (Cont)** | | | |
| 7.2 | Funds for Youth Writers workshop | * Feedback from local youth, skills needed. B. Whyatt offered to deliver$150. | Talk to J. Sarre (Inkpot) & S. Hardy (MBDC).  Confirmed B. Whyatt can offer. | L. Boyd |
| 7.3 | Community gardens project | * Is there demand for? Location? How managed? |  |  |
| 7.4 | CDR Group proposed infrastructure updates to the hall | * Halo installation - will require reserve tank install for drinking water * Starlink - $1600 pa. Opportunity for co-use? Could MCA pay ongoing? * Generator 60 KVA $30 000, 370L diesel tank lasting 36 hrs. Option replace with 7 KVA/54 L only $7000. |  |  |
| 7.5 | Repair/change to the water supply system for the hall | * Ongoing discussions with MBDC regard responsibility. Awaiting response |  |  |
| 7.6 | Future events planning for 2024/25 (MCA role in Carols and Australia Day). | * MCA oversee MBDC requirements for Carols in the Square. * YAH do not want to continue with Aus Day Breakfast. Need to find alternate community group | MCA to complete paperwork for event application.  $900 for music equipment  Offer Battunga Country Lions Aus Day | P. Worland |
| 7.7 | Chairperson and Treasurer leave of absence May-July meetings | - P. Worland & G. Harris absent for next 2 meetings | C. Gordon to cover financials  J. Conroy assist with reporting |  |
| **8** | **MCA Planner** | | | | - Penny suggested |  |  |
| 8.1 | Task force Terms of reference review | Market Feb, Arts Task Force | Completed Market & Arts. Progress remaining after CP |  |
| 8.2 | Task group reports – Bi Annual reports | * Resilience: Received * Market: Received * History: Circulated * Biochar: Circulated * YAH: Received * Mens Breakfast: Received * Art Taskforce: |  |  |
| 8.3 | Hall clean working bee | * Cleaner now completes clean | Remove extra chairs from stage area |  |
| 8.4 | Book Strawberry Fete band | * Defer item |  |  |
| 8.5 | Anzac Day Service Wreath | * Wreath to be made and laid | D. Oldenhoven away, L. Boyd speaking | L Boyd |
| **9** | **Finance** | | | |
| 9.1 | Report | * Discussion re financial status of MCA. Has some funds for expenditure | What is the ‘sweet range’ in funds for expenditure? Need a plan for future spend |  |
| 9.2 | Barker Council  - Ward donation for Arts Festival | * Noted received |  |  |
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| **10** | **Events update** | | | |
| 10.1 | 2024 Creative Pursuits Event | * Arrangements progressing |  |  |
| **11** | **Grants update** | | | |
| 11.1 | MBDC Community Grants – seats installation | * Finalised |  |  |
| 11.2 | Social impact grant (DHS) | * Biochar successful |  |  |
| 11.3 | MBDC Community & Environmental Grants (next round closed 11th March) | * Propose $500 seed funding towards Green Platypus to work with community to design garden beds at Crystal Lake Park. Workshops could include water sensitive gardens, biodiversity. |  |  |
| 11.4 | RAA grant $3000 |  |  |  |
| 11.5 | Rotary grant application for youth group | * MBDC |  |  |
| **12** | **Reports** | | | |
| 12.1 | Hall Report | * Header tank/platform needs to be removed. Pipe work to fix $2300 | Needs a better pump  Write to MBDC to request repairs | P. Worland |
| 12.2 | School Report |  |  |  |
| 12.3 | Task Groups | * Market | Paula/Trish agreed to join committee.  Proposal to sell donated clothing in Institute – L. Smith |  |

**Finish: Next Meeting: Monday 13th May, 7:00pm**