



(Incorporating Cascades Progress Association)

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President: Rosemary Sandford

Hon. Secretary: David Halse Rogers

**Minutes of a General Meeting held at The D'Arcy Street Community Hall
on Wednesday 10th June , 2015 at 7:30 pm.**

Chair: Dr. Rosemary Sandford.

Members Present: Alison Alexander, Helen Altman, Pru Bonham, Lindsay Brinsdon, Phil Brown, Elizabeth Green, David Halse Rogers, Stan Mather, Liz Rees, Rosemary Sandford, Malcolm & Ros Saltmarsh, Kevin Wilson.

Apologies: Nine (9) members as per Attendance Register.

Minutes of the General Meeting of June 2015: The Minutes were distributed previously by email. The Minutes were taken as read and were duly approved. [Moved: Margaret Wilmot; Seconded: Malcolm Saltmarsh; Accepted.]

Treasurer's Report:

Membership currently stands at: 137. (Thirty-seven (37) will be "lost" in July with the beginning of the new financial year.)

Motion: "That this meeting gives approval for the Hon. Treasurer to roll-over the Association's term deposit as from 14th June 2015 for the interest rate of 3.05%". [Proposed: Pru Bonham; Seconded: David Halse Rogers; Passed.]

Correspondence:

The Meeting determined to require only major emails, together with any posted communications, be listed in the Minutes in future.

Business arising from the Minutes:

1. A History of South Hobart Project: The Convenor of the History Book Subcommittee, Malcolm Saltmarsh, reported to the Meeting that the book was now at the printers in China. Two points of sale (apart from Wentworth Street) will be the *Hobart City Council Centre*, Elizabeth Street and *Hobart Bookshop* (Ian Pearce) in Salamanca Square. They will both retail the book for \$70 rrp. Greta MacDonald, Marketing Manager, *Female Factory Historic Site* has also agreed to allow the book to be displayed in the bookshop there. Additionally,

the Association will hold two Saturday morning stalls outside *South Hobart Capital Chemist*. [The book will cost around \$16 extra to cover postage.] Advertising has been obtained in *The Hobart Observer*, *Capital City News* (Aug issue) *RACT* magazine, *Tasmaniantimes.com*, Jane Franklin Hall's *Libertas* magazine, *42 degrees South*, *St. Michael's Collegiate School* (AA) and *South Hobart Primary School* magazine (LR). Nick King will provide an on-line page for website purchasers.

2. Honorary Life Membership – Dr. Alison Alexander:

Dr. Alexander's nomination to Life Membership of the SHPA (Inc.) will be formerly ratified at the 2015 AGM.

3. Back to South Hobart Event: KW indicated the aim was to get members of the community/public at large to bring along photos and other memorabilia, and discuss life in South Hobart. Possible invitees include Michael Kent, whose family has strong connections with South Hobart, and Dennis Rogers to talk on life in the suburb.

4. Hobart Rivulet Park Cycleway Proposal: The HCC has, not surprisingly, come out in favour of sealing the Rivulet track between Molle and Gore Streets. The Meeting discussed how likely it was that this was just "the thin edge of the wedge" for what residents expect to be a rustic walk for young and old. The suggestion was made that letters to "The Mercury" with questions for Council might be a good idea. (Copy to HCC Parks Committee.)

There is a need for an **Action Group** for pedestrians. KW will collate the history of the *Hobart Rivulet Park*.

5. South Hobart Residents' Traffic Management Committee Report: LB expressed the concern of all that no meetings had been held since February 2015. (Only two meetings were held last year.) The Committee is ineffective. KW will contact Jason McCleod re the July meeting of the Committee. (KW will ring on 11/6 and LB will ring again on 15/6) Anna Reynolds will be invited to the next meeting to be held at 6:00 pm Wednesday 8th July, 2015.

6. South Hobart Community Hall Committee Report: Leave on Agenda.

7. Council of Hobart Community Associations (CHCA): Leave on Agenda.

8. Lady Gowrie (Tasmania): A meeting of residents and members of the Association met Mr. Nigel Reeves from *Lady Gowrie Tasmania* on Wednesday 20th May, 2015 at 2:00 pm to discuss the major concerns relating to contamination, parking and traffic safety. The Meeting was unsatisfactory in that these issues were still unresolved. Mr. Reeves promised to forward details relating to the development to the President. This has not happened.

9. Wellington Park Management Trust 'Pinnacle Zone': Leave on the Agenda.

10. McRobie's Tip Update: PB reported that the Wellington Ranges are listed on the National Estate down to the 200 metre level. The issue of the Tip was not even mentioned at the recent Community Forum in April. PB will monitor this. Unfortunately, the EPA is thoroughly under-resourced. The issues of traffic,

pollution (ground/water/air), environmental concerns with feral cats, etc are in urgent need of discussion and remedy. The HCC' s Waste Management Strategy calls for public consultation, but where is that consultation process now? RAS will formulate a letter to the Editor of "The Mercury" with input from PB and DHR.

11. Cuthbertson's Weld Street Tannery: Leave on Agenda.

Other Business:

1. Hobart City Council Community Engagement Event: KW and DHR to draft letter to the HCC strongly supporting this process.

2. Mt. Wellington Brewery Land: Leave on Agenda.

3. Subdivision on Stoney Steps Road: Leave on Agenda.

4. Mt. Wellington Cableway Company: Leave on Agenda.

5. New HCC Interim Planning Scheme & State-wide Planning Scheme: The new HCC Interim Planning Scheme, 2015 is to be proclaimed on 20th May 2015. There will be a month's opportunity for comments closing on **Monday 13th July, 2015.**

6. HCC Local Retail Precinct Plan – South Hobart: A consultant's brief for this project has been released by Council to businesses in Macquarie Street from the *Broadley's Corner* to *St. John's Hospital*. The primary focus is to develop and upgrade Council's physical infrastructure. The community engagement will concentrate on customers of the businesses in this precinct. Traffic, parking and pedestrian issues are a major part of the study and plan development. Further landscape studies (in addition to the comprehensive *Macquarie Street Townscape Study* in the early 2000s, and others!) will be assessed. Given that there are four or five other suburbs in line for similar studies, it will be of interest to see where South Hobart sits in the scheme of things. Further, Council reports suggest that there may be no actual action taken for up to five years. It was suggested that the SHPA (Inc.) write to the consultants expressing its concerns and suggestions.

7. Generational Change/Succession Planning: R & M Saltmarsh tabled a thought-provoking document listing the challenges facing the Association as the membership ages. There is a need to be seen as relevant to a younger generation whose values and priorities may vary from those of previous generations. There was discussion about the lack of an upcoming "volunteer" group. Busy lives and a more 'selfish' outlook were suggested as possible reasons for this lack. The Association will need to encourage and foster younger members "to step up to the plate" and become involved in their community.

Meeting closed: 9:35 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 8th July, 2015 at 7:30 pm.