

Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce & Tourism

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President: Sergio Redegalli

Secretary: .

Treasurer: Stephen Naughton



TOCUMWAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM

**Minutes of the Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce & Tourism meeting held at the
Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club on Tuesday 11 October 2016.**

MINUTES

1. Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 7.06pm

2. Attendances

S. Naughton, L. Lang, K. Philpot, K. Davies, R. Bodey, C. Jones & K. Giddens.

3. Apologies

S. Redegalli, L. Thorburn, D. Sutton & G. Chrystie,

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Minutes of the Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Meeting 09.08.16

K Davies moved "Minutes of the Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Meeting held 9th
August 2016 as presented be accepted". Seconded L. Lang Carried

5. Matters arising

5.1 Nil

6. Correspondence

6.1 Inwards

6.1.1 Tocumwal Historic Aerodrome Museum Newsletter and Membership
subscription for year ending 30.06.17

6.1.2 Letter and Nomination form from the Berrigan Shire for Australia Day
Awards 2017

6.2 Outwards

6.2.1 Nil

It was moved by K. Davies that all correspondence be accepted as read. Seconded K. Philpot
Carried

7. President's Report

7.1 No Report

8. Finance Report

8.1 Finance Report

Treasurer S. Naughton advised the opening balance as at 1st August 2016 was
\$15,832.20

Public liability insurance has been paid to AON for the amount of \$1269.00. This
insurance is the company recommended by the NSW Business Chamber and covers
directors, fundraising, etc.

An amount of \$1896.00 was paid to the Southern Riverina News for Winter Festival
advertising.

The Memorial Hall hire expenses came to \$220.00
For the month of September, \$3440.00 came in from membership.
Mild to Wild Rod & Custom Club gave \$500.00 to the Chamber of Commerce being for the Winter Festival gate.
Stamps were purchased for \$130.00 for posting membership forms.
Advertising for the very fast train night in the Southern Riverina News was \$616.00
Closing balance \$15399.78

There has been an amount of \$110.00 transferred into the bank account, with the details Yan Fang and no paperwork. L. Lang suggested this may be the Chinese restaurant.

There are still outstanding accounts due to be paid.
The Tocumwal Football & Netball Club has charged the Chamber of Commerce for room hires of \$300.00 and catering of \$600.00, this is still to be paid.

It was moved by S. Naughton that the Finance Report be accepted as read. Seconded by R. Bodey Carried.

9. Membership

There are currently 36 Paid Members. Many memberships are still outstanding.

10. General Business

10.1 Tocumwal Flyer – What's on Advertising

K. Davies asked if the Chamber of Commerce would be going ahead with a 'What's on' advertisement in the Tocumwal Flyer for Christmas. The advertisement would be a coloured insert and advertise all events happening during the Christmas holiday period.

It was also suggested to do an Easter 'What's on'.

After some discussion, it was decided that the Chamber of Commerce will donate \$200.00 to the Toc Flyer for 'What's on' section and Printing.

It was moved by L. Lang that \$200.00 be donated to the Tocumwal Flyer for the inclusion of the 'What's on' insert and printing expenses. Seconded by R. Bodey Carried.

K. Davies will locate a copy from last year and send it around for suggestions prior to printing.

10.2 Locals affected by the floods

K. Philpot asked if there was anything the Chamber could do to help locals affected by the floods, such as Woperana and Bushlands. A fundraiser or even manual labour to help with the clean up once the water has receded might be appropriate.

C. Jones suggested a donation of hay to Woperana, however the matter of getting the feed is an issue.

C. Jones to contact Woperana and find out if there is anything the Chamber of Commerce can do.

10.3 Big Breakfast – 30 October

L. Lang recommended we arrange a backup plan in the case of poor weather on the day of the Big Breakfast. The old Bowls Club facility could be an option.

K. Davies suggested the memorial hall or the public school.

It was also suggested that the event be moved to the following weekend if in the week leading up, the weather forecast is bad. L. Lang to contact the school about using the quadrangle area as a potential site for the event.

TSS Party Hire has kindly donated chairs and tables for the event which will substantially reduce cost.

K. Davies will be running a new residents table this year for new people in the town.

At this stage unsure if the school will be doing any singing.

There has been two fairies and two superheroes organized to hand out balloons from 9.00am/9.30am for around one hour.

Local Anne Beveridge will be doing story time for the kids at 10.00am.

Helen Barker will be the photographer on the day.

Anthony Hore will be bringing his cherry picker for photos of the event

The breakfast will finish at 11.00am.

The breakfast will be advertised on sublime radio. L. Lang will get in contact with Anne Jones about a notice in the Toc Tells section of the Southern Riverina News. It will also be advertised in the Toc Flyer.

Last year the Raffle prize was an Ipad which cost \$500.00 and made a \$270.00 profit.

This year the raffle will be a goodies 'Race Day basket' to the value of \$300.00

Raffle tickets will be on sale 2 weeks prior to the event, at the front of Haynes butchery at a cost of \$2.00 per ticket.

The flyer for this event has the Big Breakfast advertised on one side and the Hostel Fete on the other. The Hostel provides colour paper and the chamber provides the printing. Greg Harmes' Office has offered to print these at \$0.50 per sheet.

350 sheets are required .

K. Giddens advised the Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club will provide the printing free of charge.

L. Lang sent letters out to the community groups and has had a response from the Hospital Auxiliary declining.

10.4 Carols – 18th December

The Chamber of Commerce will need to order around 100 glow sticks for this event. These cost around \$0.72 each and are sold for \$1.00

Kate Gowty and the Mulberry Tree will be the entertainers on the night.

There will be a fun competition for businesses and families to get them more involved in this event.

K. Giddens to investigate if the Bowls Club is available as a backup for the Carols event in the case of poor weather.

10.5 Christmas Stocking

L. Lang asked if the Chamber should organize this or if it should be left up to the retailers.

The Stocking will be displayed at IGA.

10.6 Christmas Lights/Decorations

Last year the Chamber of Commerce purchase fairy lights to brighten up the town.

The fire brigade put the lights up and took them down, however it was a long time before they were taken down.

It was suggested that the Chamber of Commerce ask the SES and provide a \$200.00 donation to their Christmas festivities.

It was also suggested to advertise this duty in the Tocumwal Flyer.

The Fire & Rescue are happy to hang up & take down the Christmas banners again.

It was suggested that the Chamber of Commerce purchase more Banner flags such as an Australian flag design and/or a Tocumwal design, to use over the holiday period.

The Christmas flags have also faded and we would require around another 20 flags.

R. Bodey suggested that the Chamber of Commerce approach David Baldwin from Sew n Sew upholstery as he may be able to do these.

L. Lang to investigate prices.

There is still \$2000.00 of community money to use which would be suitable to put the flags to.

It was moved R. Bodey that L. Lang investigate purchasing further banner flags for display during the holiday period and that the Chamber of Commerce authorize L. Lang & S. Naughton to make the decision on the purchase. Seconded K. Philpot Carried

10.7 Pony Club

C. Jones suggested campers looking to stay in Tocumwal camp at the Pony Club Grounds.

The Toilets at the Pony Club grounds have been cut off by the Shire. C. Jones will speak with the Berrigan Shire about this matter.

10.8 Christmas Lights Competition

Local Win Brunner has offered to judge this competition.

L. Lang advised this competition needs someone to volunteer to oversee everything.

C. Jones will approach the council and ask if they would like to take control of this event.

Judging normally occurs in the week leading up to the Christmas Carols night and is announced on the Carols night.

An advertisement will be placed in the Toc Flyer.

There are two categories; Shop/Business Christmas display and Residential Christmas Lights.

For the business display the prize will be a free membership in the Chamber of Commerce and \$200.00 worth of advertising in the Toc Flyer.

The Residential Christmas Lights prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place will be to the total value of \$250.00

It was moved by R. Bodey that \$250.00 in total prize value for residential and the Membership and advertising prize for business is allocated to the Christmas light prizes.

Seconded by C. Jones Carried

10.9 Australia Day Nominations

The Australia Day Nominations were discussed.

The categories are; Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the year (21 and under), Sportsperson of the year, Junior Sports person of the year (21 and Under) and Team or Community Organisation of the year.

Some suggestions provided were; The Tocumwal Netball Team, Bill Fuller, Sophi Bury and Sasha Jones.

Any suggestions for these awards are more than welcome

C. Jones to contact Denis Glanville to recommend a Junior person who competed in the International Children's Games in Taipei.

Nominations must be received by the 23rd November.

10.10 Australia Day Eve – 25th January 6pm

The entertainment for this event is yet to be booked. R. Bodey to arrange the bucking bull, the mini train, Ice Cream Van, Musician's & jumping castle.

The School is still offering the Chamber of Commerce the Jumping castle & Fairy Floss Machines to purchase for \$1500.00

10.11 28th December – Movie & Fun Night

Last year the Chamber provided \$800.00 being for the Numurkah Mini Train hire and Callum Gleeson, the entertainment. R. Bodey asked if the Chamber would like to provide anything again.

The Chamber of Commerce decided that \$800.00 would go towards the Train and entertainment for the evening.

It was moved by C. Jones that \$800.00 be provided for entertainment and the mini train for the Movie & Fun Night. Seconded by L. Lang Carried

10.12 Santa Photos

The Pre-school will be doing Santa Photos again this year.

10.13 Skate Park Opening

The opening of the skate park was very successful, with approximately 20 children attending.

The YMCA held skateboard lessons on the day.

It was mentioned that the skate park has no signage directing people from the main street. R. Bodey will suggest better signage at the next council meeting

K .Davies asked that if there are any Council events to please notify the Toc Flyer so it can be advertised to locals.

10.14 Splash Park

The Berrigan Shire Council has applied for a grant to put in a splash park, which will involve concrete coring the levy bank.

The total expected cost of the project is 1.2million, and the grant will cover 50% of building the splash park. The Foreshore and shire will also provide funds to support this development.

The Splash Park will be located on the corner of Anzac Avenue.

10.15 Very Fast Train Seminar

It was reported that this event was excellent.

11. Next Meeting: Annual General Meeting - 8th November 2016 at the Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club

Meeting closed 8.54pm