

Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce & Tourism

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TOCUMWAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & TOURISM

Minutes of the Tocumwal Chamber of Commerce & Tourism meeting held at the
Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club on Tuesday 14 February 2017 at 7:00pm

MINUTES

1. Opening of Meeting

The Meeting opened at 7.06pm

2. Attendances

S. Redegalli, K. Giddens, A. Henderson, L. Lang, K. Davies, C. Jones, C. March, S. Naughton & R. Bodey.

3. Apologies

K. Philpot & A & G Wiles.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Minutes of the Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Meeting 13.12.16

C. March moved the Minutes of the Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Meeting held 13 December 2016 as presented be accepted, seconded by S. Naughton Carried

5. Matters arising

5.1 Pony Club Toilets – Result from Shire

The toilets near the netball courts are open for use and there is nothing further from council regarding the pony club toilets

5.2 Guest Speaker – Karen Lane and Steven Zeller 14 March 2017

The guest speaker event has been organised by S. Redegalli, with both speakers attending.

At this stage we will be doing a one course meal at the Terminus Hotel.

S. Redegalli to confirm details.

5.3 Skate park signage

There is no directional signage for the skate park.

C. Jones and R. Bodey will bring this up at the next council meeting

6. Correspondence

6.1 Inwards

6.1.1 Email from SRN re advertising 130217

6.2 Outwards

6.2.1 Nil

7. President's Report

At the last presidents meeting the topic was surrounding businesses advertising on footpaths. Hopefully the council will remove the red tape from the streets and give business owners the ability to advertise their own business on their own footpath with signage and sandwich boards. This would also eliminate other businesses charging for this type of advertising.

Timeout Holiday Park has expressed their interest in having the Chamber of put an advertising TV in their reception area to advertise the town and local business.

8. Finance Report

S. Naughton presented the Finance report for December and January.

December 01.12.16-31.12.16

Opening Balance as at 01.12.16 - \$14,887.88

Income

\$50.00 – Xmas Stocking Reimburse

\$1700.00 - Winter Festival Grant

\$530.40 – Glow stick sales, Stocking

Expenses

\$250.00 – Xmas Lights competition prize money

\$60.00 – Flowers for B. Whitten Family

\$1054.45 – Winter Festival Costs

\$327.34 – Big Breakfast, Xmas Stocking

\$227.58 – Big Breakfast, carols

\$174.00 – NSW Fair Trading

\$3140.50 – Australian Flags

\$32.80 – AGM notice

\$220.00 – Catering Barnett function

Closing balance as at 31.12.16 - \$11,681.61

January 01.01.17-31.01.17

Opening Balance as at 01.01.17 - \$11,681.61

Income

\$110.00 – Membership

Expenses

\$120.00 – Membership refund

\$750.00 – Bucking Bull Hire, Aus day

\$450.00 – Miniature Train, Aus Day

\$500.00 – Callum Gleeson, Aus Day Entertainment

Balance as at 31.01.17 - \$10,921.61

S. Naughton to send an invoice to the Rotary Club for half of the expenses for the Barnett Farewell.

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

S. Naughton left the meeting at 7.30pm

9. Membership Approval

9.1 Tocumwal Self Storage

It was moved by C. March to accept Tocumwal Self storage as a new member of the Chamber of Commerce & Tourism, seconded by L. Lang carried

It was suggested that for anyone who becomes a member between now and the financial year, the membership runs for the entire following year.

It was moved by S. Redegalli that anyone who joins between now and the financial year their membership will extend to the following year, seconded by K. Davies. Carried

10. General Business

10.1 Australia Day

Income received for the Australia day event was \$608.95 income.

Previously other community organizations have put in money for this event but this has not occurred the last two times the event was run. Next year community groups will be contacted prior to assist with running this event and the expenses associated.

Rotary did supply 150 sausages for the BBQ.

It was suggested that in future the event be held on Australia day, as there are less attendees when it isn't held on a public holiday.

It was also suggested we run a fishing competition or duck races or floating races, so there is something different compared to other years and other events.

This will be looked at closer to the event.

10.2 Easter

This Easter there will be the races, rodeo and the market.

S. Redegalli advised that he had a discussion with the people who own the big Strawberry about a potential Blues festival next Easter.

10.3 Mothers Day Classic

Tocumwal has a Mother's Day Classic Fun Run where all community organizations get together to help run. However there may not be anyone to run this event this year.

A. Henderson will start putting the event together and approach others who may wish to help out. K. Davies will advertise in the Toc. Flyer.

10.4 Fish Stock

K. Davies advised that the fish stocks are low and asked if the Chamber could do anything to put fingerlings into the river. This item is for the local Fishing Club to discuss and arrange.

10.5 Flyers

A local accommodation business suggested that the Chamber produce special town business flyers to promote local business and specials. This comes down to the resources that we have. At this stage it wouldn't be possible but it is something that could be investigated in the future.

10.6 Job – Events & Advertising Coordinator

K. Davies suggested we investigate employing a person for 8 hours per week to do Advertising and event coordination to assist the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber could approach the Shire about offsetting some of the associated costs of employment. R. Bodey advised that council would want a proposal.

Costs could also be offset with other community groups.

K. Giddens recommended a job position description be developed first to see if there is a need for someone and if there is enough work to justify someone being employed.

This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

10.7 Town Flags

The Chamber needs to invest in more straps and bolts for the poles for the township flags. This work can be done by Vanderhoek Engineering.

L. Lang will speak with the Race Club and Football Club about purchasing Easter Flags. L. Lang will also contact Vanderhoek Engineering about the brackets.

10.8 Gift for Local

The local who designed the Town map is leaving the Shire at the end of February. It was suggested to get this person a farewell gift such as a Football Membership. C. Jones will look into this.

10.9 Foreshore Splash Park

The council is applying for a grant for this development. The development will cost around \$3.2million.

The council will be concrete coring the levy bank and around 20 trees will be removed to safeguard to levy.

The Tocumwal Community Development Committee has made a commitment to work out how to raise \$100K towards the development. The Shire will be contributing \$1million, the Foreshore Committee will commit to \$400K

A. Henderson suggested that the community be informed about this.

K. Davies will put an article in the Flyer with assistance from R. Bodey.

Meeting closed 9.30am

11. Next Meeting

Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 7.00pm, at the Terminus Hotel