

**JERRABOMBERRA RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION INC  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
17 NOVEMBER 2010**

**MINUTES**

**1. WELCOME**

JRA President, Kim Howatson, welcomed everyone to the meeting

**2. PRESENT**

L. Edwards, K. Howatson, D. Lawson, B. Coady, M. Guthrie, M. Sachse, G. Schmidt, A. Howatson, R. Curtis, M. Ziebell, B. Brown, T. Rynne, C. Putt (Queanbeyan Police)

**3. APOLOGIES**

D. Gordon, J. Hawkins, P. Henry, V. Treverrow, P. Whalan, M. Croxford, H. Marchant, G. Marchant, Cr A. Rocca, Cr T. Mavec, D. Keefe, D. Hope.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES**

Motion: That the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting be confirmed

Moved: Brian Brown Seconded: Tania Rynne Carried

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES**

a) Fee-free Banking – It is hoped that the Community Bank will soon be a reality enabling the JRA to move their account across.

b) Fire Safety Issues

i) There is now a link from the JRA website to the Rural Fire Service website

ii) Fire Safety Unit for Jerrabomberra – The JRA have liaised with the NSW Fire Brigade and this has resulted in 4 Community Fire Units (CFU's) in Jerrabomberra. These are located in Tully Place, Redwood/Wentworth, Myrtle Close and the most recent in Macadamia/Frangipani.

**6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Starting the year as Vice President, Kim Howatson noted the change of Presidency from Mark Croxford to herself due to a potential conflict of interests for Mark's new employment.

Kim noted some of the activities, achievements and issues dealt with by the JRA during the past year including the Holcim Quarry Tour, the four new Community Fire Units and continued consultation with Council.

Kim mentioned her dealings with the media over the past months and her presentation to Council tonight in support of the rezoning of land in the Jerrabomberra Valley.

Council voted unanimously to support the Local Environment Plan (South Tralee) 2010, so it now goes to NSW Planning for consideration and hopefully approval. We'll need to continue to watch this space...

Kim Howatson thanked everyone on the committee and for those members who have helped out over the year. The input from members has been valuable in gaining an understanding on the issues, which helps us remain as the voice of the people across all issues.

## 7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Outgoing Treasurer, Tania Rynne, advised that earlier in the year, our Auditor moved from the area however, the JRA's books don't need to be formally audited, just checked to confirm that the accounts are in order.

Major Receipts for the year included –

Carols by Candlelight	\$1,000
Easter Raffle	\$1200
General Donations Scheme	\$155
Memberships	\$2290
Total Receipts for the year were	\$5,485.15

Major Payments included –

Bank Fees	\$83
Newsletter delivery	\$396
Public Liability	\$987
Total Payments for the year were	\$2,843.27

Total Funds available as at 31 October 2010 were \$5,611.62

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted

Moved: Lyn Edwards Seconded: Bob Curtis Carried

## 8. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Kim Howatson thanked the outgoing committee members –

Lyn Edwards (Secretary) – the cog that has kept the JRA ticking over for the past 17 years, 10 years as Secretary and performing many tasks. Lyn was presented with flowers, a poem, wine and a dinner voucher.

Brian Brown – Man of many hats! Brian held the position of Vice President for a number of years and committee member since 2004. Brian was presented with 2 bottles of wine.

Tania Rynne – Tania has held the position of Treasurer for the past 4 years. Tania was presented with 2 bottles of wine.

Doug Gordon – Doug has been our Public Officer for 3 years and has been instrumental in implementing the Community Fire Units.

Jon Hawkins – Jon moved into the position of Vice President early in the year. Jon was always a willing and useful committee member.

Phill Henry – Phill has been very active in establishing a Community Fire Unit in his street and helping with the other CFU's and was a solid committee member.

Chris Pearson – Chris joined after Mark Croxford's departure and the committee appreciates his effort. Chris was also involved in setting up a Community Fire Unit in his street.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW OFFICE BEARERS

President	Kim Howatson
Vice President	Margot Sachse
Secretary	VACANT
Treasurer	Anthony Howatson
*Public Officer	Kim Howatson
Committee Member	David Hope
Committee Member	Mary Guthrie
Committee Member	Michael Ziebell
Committee Member	Tania Rynne
Committee Member	Greg Schmidt

\*(The position of Public Officer was filled after the meeting by Bob Curtis.)

**9. GUEST SPEAKER – ACTING INSPECTOR CHRIS PUTT FROM QUEANBEYAN POLICE**

Kim Howatson welcomed Acting Inspector Chris Putt. Chris Putt covered 4 issues – Property Theft, Anti-Social Behaviour, Traffic Offences and Crime Prevention over the period November 2009 to October 2010.

Property Theft – There had been an increase in reported incidents of property theft from homes with the worst months being March and April, with cash, jewellery and entertainment equipment being the most targeted items. There has also been an increase in property theft from motor vehicles with the majority being from unsecured (unlocked) vehicles. Items mostly targeted were cash, wallets, satellite navigation devices and mobile phones.

Anti-Social Behaviour – There had been very few alcohol related assaults in Jerrabomberra and the local tavern is patrolled frequently by police. There had been a decrease in malicious damage offences however the months of April, June and November were the months where an increase was seen. Incidents included indiscriminate damage to motor vehicles, damage to garbage bins, eggs thrown at vehicles as well as smashed bottles and under age drinking at David Madew Oval. A number of suspects had been identified and legal processes undertaken.

Traffic Offences – There had been 27 offences of D.U.I. in Jerrabomberra over the past 12 months. 204 speeding offences had also been detected with the majority over 10kph but under 20kph of the posted speed limit. November 2009 was the worst month with 85 offences detected.

The most common complaint was speeding on Bicentennial Drive at night-time.

Queanbeyan Police have trail bikes to patrol bushland and the JRA played a large part in Queanbeyan Police obtaining these bikes.

Crime Prevention – The local Crime Prevention Officer is Naomi Nemeč. If a property has been broken into more than once, Naomi will conduct a Risk Assessment and provide the property owner with suggestions as to how better to secure their property.

Naomi Nemec has worked with the JRA over the last 12 months and also had an information stall at the Village Shops during the year.

Kim Howatson thanked Acting Inspector Chris Putt for attending our meeting.

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

i) Wine Tasting – This will be held at the Jerrabomberra Community Centre on Friday 26 November from 7pm – 9pm.

ii) School Fete – Will be held in the school grounds on Saturday 20 November from 2pm - 7pm.

iii) Edwin Land Parkway – Bob Curtis advised that he had received an email response from Queanbeyan City Council (QCC) regarding the Edwin Land Parkway extension. Bob mentioned that nothing has happened since the trees were felled a couple of months ago. The construction engineers GHD have stated that they are currently understaffed however, tenders for the construction will go out over December/January with a proposed construction starting date of February 2011 and there will be an 8-month construction period.

Kim Howatson has previously raised this matter with QCC but, as yet, no reply has been received.

iv) Development in the Jerrabomberra Valley – The South Tralee development was approved by QCC earlier this evening (17 November) and will now go to NSW Planning for their approval.

v) Community Bank – The Prospectus closing date has been extended to mid February 2011. If \$460,000 can be raised by Christmas 2010 then the bank can open in March 2011.

vi) Notice Boards – Rotary have expressed an interest in using the JRA community notice boards on Tomsitt Drive. It was agreed that they could use them to advertise their special events.

vii) Woolworths Supermarket – It was suggested that the JRA contact Anthony Dalglish, Woolworths Regional Manager, to obtain a Woolworths update.

viii) Media Update – It was suggested that Kim Howatson contact the local media advising them of the changes to the JRA committee.

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.50pm. The next meeting of the JRA will be held on Wednesday February 16, 2011 in the Banksia Room at the Jerrabomberra Community Centre. The JRA Committee will meet in January to discuss a work plan for 2011.

THE JRA COMMITTEE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

