

General Meeting of the Lake Eucumbene Chamber of Commerce

Held at Snowgoose Hotel Adaminaby

On Monday November 15th 2010

7.00pm Guest Presentation by Snowy Hydro 7:10pm

Heath Redstone and Shane Bilish updated us on the cloud seeding project that shows that it is successful and produces no environmental damage. Research continues and more information will be available in March and they would like to bring the latest results to a Chamber meeting next year. Heath will arrange for the best forecast of when the lake will be at its lowest to go to Jane for distribution. He will work with Adaminaby to create a Snowy Hydro display. The museum may not be suitable as it covers a specific time frame however Jill Maddew will arrange to explore this further. Handouts were supplied and will be placed in the post office. Meeting Commenced 8:18pm

1. Attendance

John Bray, Rick Martin, Kerry Parrot, Bill Leane, Peter Cochran(chair), Jane Reid(minutes), Adrian Menhennitt, Jan Leckstrom, Lars Leckstrom, Jan Rankin, Jill Madew, Barbara Schaeppman

2. Apologies

Steve Redden, David Hogan, Linda Squire, Matthew Jacobs

3. Acceptance of Last Minutes

Minutes were not formally recorded for last meeting held on 23/08 but it consisted mostly of reports. Minutes for meeting held on 23rd August 2010 were accepted at the last meeting.

4. Correspondence

Jane presented a lengthy list, about half of which had their mail sent onto the membership however all of it is available electronically on request. It is sad that a lot of news from other areas is not sent on because it shows what others are up to, but the volume is unmanageable. Some people have requested to be removed from the mailing list for this reason.

Mail In

- a) Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) re LECC application for Small Grants for Small Rural Communities SGR18 Refurbishment of the Big Trout
- b) Mike Kelly thanking LECC for congratulations on his re-election
- c) Queanbeyan City Council acknowledgement of LECC submission on draft local Queanbeyan Environmental Plan (South Tralee) 2010

Mail Out

- a) Media release re offering a solution to Jindabyne traffic problem
- b) SnowMuchMore website application for temporary entry of LECC
- c) Lorraine Thomas re priorities for Adaminaby beautification
- d) Media release re opening the National Park for the October long weekend
- e) General Manager, Queanbeyan City Council re Tralee rezoning proposal
- f) NSW Maritime re link to our websites near Lake Eucumbene webcam and addition of theirs to ours

5. Chairman's Report

Attention drawn to media releases and some background given. We need to capitalise more on events and promote the area especially to create a comfortable location for travellers in RVs. This is currently a problem in some shires due to lack of facilities. Consider the showgrounds.

6. Treasurer's Report

Current balance \$2,447 with 13 financial members to 1/7/11 Acceptance moved by John, seconded by Bill, carried unanimously

7. Business arising from the Treasurer's Report

Allocate \$200 to contribute to advertising of the Adaminaby races on Canberra community radio 2CC for four ads per day

8. Current Projects

a) Museum - Jill Madew

Interim certificate of occupancy is granted, needs shelving etc for display, landscaping and maintenance being done by Cooma correctional centre, weather is preventing moving of machinery, concrete drainage is needed, next step is 'national significance assessment' re ongoing funding. Jill has found Peter Taylor to take her place as chairman.

b) Old Adaminaby Boat Ramp – John Bray

\$11,000 left to spend and should come in at budget. Lake level drops in May and if dry enough then the next stage can commence.

c) Webcam – John Bray

Up and running with a very high level of 'hits' on Maritime's website, mutual links to sites are set up

d) Adaminaby Beautification – Jan Leckstrom

Going slowly but building materials are expected. Meeting asked Jane to request a progress report with landscaping plans for both sides of the shopping area from council.

- e) Big Trout – Jane Reid
'Friends of the Fish' has been created and includes chamber, community and council workers. Currently seeking funding for up to \$60,000 as per quote, installing steel box for on-the-spot donations to be managed by the Rankins, needs a separate bank account within chamber, website to be brought on line for donations. Meeting asked Jane to research whether the fish should be removed and stored to prevent more damage until we can arrange work on it.
- f) OA and AR Cemetery Guide – Bill Leane
The project will be a window into the social history of the district with a lot of information and stories to be collected. Bill wishes to run a stall during the Easter Fair with recording facilities.
- g) Signs to Adaminaby – Peter Cochran
On going
- h) Speed Limit through Adaminaby – Peter Cochran
On going
- i) Selwyn – Peter Cochran
Staff were successfully accommodated at Brumby Haven and the Snowgoose Hotel last winter which worked better for the rest of the town even though there were a few tricky incidents
- j) Water and sewage at Old Adaminaby and Anglers Reach
On going
- k) Steam Tractor located at Alpine Creek – Peter Cochran
Steve Horsly - a registered historic site and it can't be moved. Peter suggested erecting explanatory signage on site.
- l) Adaminaby Directory Sign
On going
- m) SRA Hangar Dance
Was a great party but not well patronised

9. New Business

- a) Trout Numbers – John Bray
Average size of caught trout is now very small - need to release more babies. John will list the needs for Jane to draft a supportive letter from the chamber.
- b) Adaminaby Craft Group – Barbara Schaeppman
A tourist package has been provided to buses for many years to encourage tours to the town to view the stage curtain which is currently removed and under repair. The bus tours have stopped since the recent trouble between the craft group and the council.
- c) Caravan Shows – Rick Martin
No promotion of our region seen at several shows that have been attended by Rainbow Pines. TSM is being restructured due to cuts in funding. Suggestion was made that we advertise ourselves at these events.
- d) Broadband – Adrian Menhennitt
'Countrytell' is the not-for-profit government company rolling out high speed wireless service early next year. It will cover Adaminaby and surrounds up to approximately 25kms except where shielded by mountains. This will need positive town encouragement.
- e) Police
Matthew Jacobs requests a dinner meeting with the town – tba
- f) Meet the politicians
Meeting requested that we try to get State candidates separately. The Snowgoose will offer cheap meals for one meeting and the Brumby Haven will do the same for the other.

10. Next Meetings

- a) February 21st 2011
- b) May 16th 2011 – Snowy Hydro

11. Meeting closure at 9:40pm