



Lake Eucumbene Chamber of Commerce (INC.)

ABN 34892 647 464 Incorporation number INC9880093

Website: www.eucumbenechamber.org.au

PUBLIC MEETING

1ST June 2009

1. **Present:** Jane Reid, Peter Cochran, Ruth & Mark Skinner, Steve & Fiona Brayshaw, Adrian Menhennitt, Bob & Sue Piper, Lyn & Paul Goucher, Claire & Paul Middleton, Rick Gluyas, Jann Williams, Lyn Heidtmann, Rodney Gilbert, Judy York, Brent Hayley, Pam Gipson, Tim Corkill, Linda Squire, Jan & Ron Rankin, Linnea Hameed, Alister Menhennitt, Bill Sutton, the Russells (Nungar Knots).

2. **Apologies.** Jill Madew, Ken Prendergast, Jo Hearn (Tourism Snowy Mountains), David Hogan (Snowy Hydro), Leigh Stewart, Brian Donnelly, Neville Locker

3. **Guest speaker.** Constable Tanya Eade-Smith.

Tanya spoke of security issues, security awareness and policing in Adaminaby. Notes are attached.

4. **Public Forum.** Facilitated by Jane Reid.

Jane Reid, President Lake Eucumbene Chamber of Commerce welcomed the attendees and opened the forum. Jan tabled,

a. **The code of conduct** for meetings was put forward and accepted by the meeting.

b. **The Vision and objectives** as endorsed at the inaugural LECC meeting in 2002

c. **Results of the survey** Jane conducted amongst the businesses regarding the decline in LECC membership. These results included,

LECC does nothing for the town

Lack of business focus - concerned about community rather than business

Lack of business members

Not a good meeting environment

Lack of relevancy

d. **What the Chamber has achieved to date**

Moved from a Progress Association to a Chamber of Commerce in 2002

Attracted \$260,000 to the town. Details are attached

Developed the visitadaminaby website as a gateway to businesses and attractions in the town

Outcome of public meeting

ACTION PLAN

Comment	Strategy	Action
Improved support for businesses	Revitalise Chamber of Commerce	Improve communication amongst businesses Organise business forums Facilitate public meetings Encourage younger people to be active members of the Chamber Improve meetings by adhering to Code of Conduct Ensure meetings are relevant Represent the business community at forums, workshops and meetings
Lack of industry	Investigate possibilities	Consult with Council to identify potential economic development for the area
Unsatisfactory Management of domestic, commercial and recyclable waste	Identify options for improving the current situation	Hold a public meeting inviting Council's Waste Management Officer, to address the meeting.



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Note: Nungar Knots are happy to receive all cardboard boxes		
The town looks tired	Develop a Beautification plan for the town <u>Note.</u> Mark skinner tabled two concept plans at the meeting.	Identify geographic region to be targeted Identify existing and potential facilities to be upgraded or developed. <u>Note:</u> areas/facilities identified at the meeting included, Showground, road signage, street lighting, skateboard park, clean up the village green, beautify the grounds of the Memorial Hall Chamber to facilitate a public meeting and encourage community consultation Submit a plan to Council for inclusion in the 2010-2014 Management Plan Form a Town Beautification Committee under the auspices of the Chamber Identify grant funding Consult with Council staff to progress the submission Investigate public liability for volunteer workers eg maintaining gardens etc
Financial climate is impacting on businesses, tourism and real estate	Promote the area	Invite Tourism Snowy Mountains to address a meeting Work with TSM, and other Visitor Centres in the region to promote the area and events Use existing facilities to full potential eg. Model boats on swimming pool, yacht races on the Lake
Negativity in town	Carry on momentum of public meeting and turn the feeling around to positive	Pull together Be proud of what has been achieved Local events are very successful and attract people and income into the town. Some of the events identified – quilt show, camp drafting, Easter Fair

Summary

Local events are successful and bring a lot of people and money into the town. This has a positive ripple effect throughout the town.

Local businesses and members of the community should be proud of what has been achieved during the last 50 years. This tradition will be carried on with people getting involved and rising above the negativity. The Chamber is one way of ensuring businesses in the area are supported.

- Consideration be given to holding future Chamber meetings at the Snowgoose with an option for dinner.

Membership to Lake Eucumbene Chamber of Commerce. Business and community members are encouraged to join. Fees are \$80 for business memberships and \$20 for community memberships

5. General Business

Snowy Museum. Site establishment will commence Tuesday 9th June

60th Anniversary – 17th October 2009

A re-enactment of the beginning of the Snowy is being considered. It was agreed to approach the school to see if they would be interested in taking this on.

6. Next meeting

Date and venue to be advised.