

**BUNYA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
ORDINARY BI-MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING**

Date: 25 May 2022

Time: 7:30pm

Place: SES Building, James Drysdale Reserve, corner Jinker Track and Bunya Road, Bunya

AGENDA

1. Apologies

Cath Johnsen

Matt Constance, MBRC Councillor

2. Acceptance of minutes of previous general meeting

Moved: Jodie, Seconded: Carolyn

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous general meeting

- Previous issue is rehabilitation of damage to Mills property from draining of farm dam. Mark Mills is dealing directly with developer. No further action for BRA.
- Request lodged with MBRC to improve the traffic signage and road management in forthcoming fire hazard reduction burnouts so as to avoid collision with wildlife and increase safety. No response yet. Less pressing issue given heavy rainfall.
- BRA to ask MBRC for name signs where Wongan and Bergin Creeks meet Bunya Road. Much of both sides of Bunya Road is bushland, few houses, few side roads, and significant distances apart where these exist. These signs naming the creeks would be useful location indicators for motorists, walkers, emergency services.

Post meeting action: BRA President wrote to MBRC on this matter on 25 May 2022.

- BRA to contact Matt Constance to express BRA's support to have him approach the present owner of Old Bunya School residence (located now on Bunya Road opposite the Bunya tip) to ask whether they would consider making arrangements to have the house returned to the Old Bunya School site in the future given its heritage significance for this area. Options could be that the council purchases the property, restores it and leases it back to the current owners for the term of their life, or to ask the owner to consider including the return of the house to MBRC in their last will and testament.

Post meeting action: BRA President wrote to MBRC on this matter on 25 May 2022.

Response received but is not supportive for a number of reasons.

- Further reports of wild dogs in Bunya have been sited including on the border of Yallambi and Allan Rd, at the back of Frigo Court, on the boundary of houses.
- Discussion at March BRA meeting regarding infrequent receipt of new newspaper Moreton Bay News. BRA has been advised that the newspaper is no longer being published because of unforeseen cost issues.

4. Outcome on Yallambi Development

- BRA President wrote to Yallambi Developer on 15 February asking about their previous offer to build, at their cost, the replica lunch shed on the Old Bunya School reserve, at the same time as the Yallambi development works. Awaiting a final response.
- Stage 1 of Yallambi (Wongan Creek) is now fully sold. Deposits have been received but land will not be registered until early next year. Stage 2 (Bergin Creek) is at enquiry stage.

5. Correspondence in and out

President's Correspondence on 29 April 2022 to MBRC with a New Road name approval application for the names of the roads of the new Yallambi development. Proposed names for the extension of Farm Rd were Yallambi Drive, Wongun Drive or Bulawaril Drive, and for the residential street, Postmistress Court or Emily Court.

- Developer has proposed the continuation of the name Farm Road for the extension, and Emily Kate Court. MBRC decision not yet made.

6. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer spoke to circulated Reports reflecting position as at 17 May 2022.

NHW: \$1,166.41

BRA: \$6,400.63

With each have increased by token interest amounts since the last report in March.

Treasurer's report accepted.

- Membership fees are due by 30 June. A reminder will be posted on FB page.

7. Coordinator Reports

Bushcare and Bunya Old School Reserve

Bushcare cancelled due to rain. Next event scheduled for Saturday 9 July.

8. Neighbourhood Watch

No incidents since the last meeting except an offence against a person on 31 April (details unknown).

9. Website and Facebook

Discussion on wild dogs has been civilised and robust.

10. General Business

- **Sale of Mills property** - 9.3 hectares next to Yallambi is for sale for \$2 million. Majority vote at BRA meeting to ask MBRC to acquire the property, so as to protect, a significant area of core koala habitat in Bunya. It is believed that there is a dedicated fund for this purpose and other acquisitions have been made recently.

Post meeting action: BRA President wrote to MBRC on this matter on 25 May 2022.

- **Bunya Residents Xmas in July Celebration** – Traditionally a Christmas breakfast (with food, games and Santa) has been held later in the year. This has previously been held outdoors but given expectations for more rain through winter other options are being explored. Volunteer for resident to coordinate the event will be sought on FB page. Suggestion for an indoors venue such as the Kakowan Community Centre (managed by Golden Valley Keperra Lions Club, charge \$20 per hour).
- **Monster Garage Sale** – possible fund raiser to raise funds for the Old Bunya School project. Looking to September.
- **Edible Food Exchange** - BRA to get more information on how to establish an Edible Food Exchange (where surplus home grown produce or homemade goods can be swapped). As a starting point, Secretary to hold discussions with coordinator of Hills Organic Gardens on Bunya Rd, as well as seek further information from coordinators of other Edible Food Exchanges in the area.
- **Native planting and weeds** – need to better inform new residents about the benefits of native planting including to encourage fauna and reduce water consumption compared to some exotic plantings, and the need to eradicate weeds continuously. Such information was provided by local council (ex Pine Rivers Council, prior to amalgamation into MBRC) to all new residents but has not been for many years. Native plants are getting suffocated by weeds and some are being planted unknowingly by new residents.

Post meeting action: BRA President wrote to MBRC on this matter on 26 May 2022.

- **Educating Seniors on Using Technology** – information to seniors in Bunya that they can access instruction on using technology. The low fee service is provided by Brisbane Seniors Online.

Post meeting action: BRA VP provided information to be loaded on BRA FB page on services offered by BSO.

- **Probus Club** - a social club for retirees, is looking to establish a new branch in the Hills District.

11. Next Ordinary General Meeting: 27 July 2022.