



Maylands Historical and Peninsula Association
The Old Police Station
196, Guildford Road
Maylands 6051

Minutes of the MHPA Committee meeting

Wednesday 10 May 2023 – the Old Police Station

The meeting was opened by Keith Cundale at 10.55am

1: The President welcomed attendees and gave the acknowledgement of country

2: Attendance

Keith and Sue Cundale, John McLennan, Angela Loucaides, Terry Devereux

3: Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the meeting were approved

4: President's Report

Each year, the month of April is dominated, naturally enough, by activities and events connected with ANZAC Day: and this year was no exception.

ANZAC Day and associated activity

A tremendous amount of administrative, planning and organisational work was done by Sue Cundale to prepare and deliver the ANZAC Day ceremony of remembrance on Tuesday April 25th. The hard work paid off as the event went smoothly and the organisational arrangements all went well. A big thank you to Sue for making this year's ceremony happen so efficiently and effectively!

Many other Members and Friends of MHPA also contributed to the day's activities and I am grateful to all those who collected rosemary sprigs, distributed the flyers to shops and residential premises, who helped to set up chairs and equipment - and put it all away again at the end! There were also those who gave a reading, raised the flag and generally made visitors welcome. I was also pleased that John's display boards - the newly named "Wall of Remembrance" - attracted attention and having the OPS open afterwards was also a good idea as we had around 20 visitors - most of whom had never been inside before. We had a couple of absentees / apologies this year (primarily MPs Patrick Gorman and Lisa Baker) but, on the other hand, there was a very good representation from the City of Bayswater Officers, our Mayor, quite a few Councillors and some of our sponsors. We will review the event in more detail at the Committee meeting and identify any aspects that can be made even better next time.

During the week around ANZAC Day we also developed a brand new set of display boards on the theme of Maylands at War that was set up temporarily outside the Library. It attracted a great deal of attention from visitors to The RISE and generated some very positive comments.. The boards will go into storage in the basement and will be available for next year: if we are invited to put on a display once again.

In response to a request from Tina Ackerman, Maylands' Librarian, we developed a short talk, also on "Maylands at War", that was delivered on Thursday 27th in the Library.

Public meetings

April's Monthly Public Meeting was a talk given by John McLennan on the history of Women's Football - based around the display boards that he had set up in the Old Police Station. A somewhat

smaller-than-recent audience braved the sudden cold snap and there was a lively discussion afterwards (primarily featuring Elizabeth Re!!) around women's sport in general.

This President's Report was prepared before the Open Day on Saturday 6th May and so I am unable to comment here.

Outreach

I went along with Sue to Midland Hospital on Monday 24th to give a talk in response to an approach made to me by the coordinator of the Stroke Recovery Support Group. We put together a 30 minute "Maylands Meander" with lots of illustrations of the many and varied sites and sights around our suburb. I was able to draw on the work we had done to prepare the Walking Tours presented during the History and Heritage Month in November 2022 to add a suitable commentary to the illustrations.

John had been invited to present at one of the Guest speaker series of meetings at the Mount Lawley Society and he was able to present his talk again on Monday 24th. I went along as well and his talk went over very well, with a fair number of questions and comments afterwards. I am pleased that we are continuing our relationship with a neighbouring Historical Society and I have invited Phil Matson to give a talk to our Association in September.

Finance and sponsorship

Disappointingly we were not successful in our bid for a Community Grant award through Patrick Gorman's office but, in better news, we have been given \$1,000 as a grant from Perth Airport. This will be used to procure new office equipment: the selection of which will be made in line with the IT Development strategy.

At the April Talk, MHPA Member Elizabeth Re announced that she had been talking to the new owners of the liquor outlet on 8th Avenue and the owner had given her some wine to bring along for a tasting and as a possible raffle prize. The audience enjoyed trying some of the organic wines and subsequently, Angela met with the manager who has kindly offered to provide us with a selection of Masstengo Wines each month for our raffle. Thanks to Elizabeth for the lead and to Angelea for following up to gain this new sponsor.

On the subject of sponsorship I was delighted that we were able to get a supply of ANZAC biscuits from Maylands IGA for our ceremony and that our friends with the coffee van also agreed to come along and set up shop for the morning.

We are in the process of preparing a short presentation for the Community Grant application scheduled for the middle of May.

Other news

Planning continues for the Heritage Festival that will be put on in association with the Maylands Street Festival in November.

I am still trying to pursue a means of getting to know local First Nations elders and was encouraged by a conversation with Cr Sally Palmer who, despite many delays, is still committed to helping us get in contact with this important constituency.

Sue has been working hard to maintain and expand our social media presence - as she will explain in her report - and I am grateful to her and our daughter Katie for helping to improve the functionality of the website.

5: Secretary's Report

Correspondence

Emails consisted predominantly of issues surrounding the ANZAC Day service – in addition to this; Website fixes

Enquiries regarding Edgar Steitz

Invite from Lisa Baker to Tips and Tools event – to be attended by John and Terry

Emails with Nick Drew from the Royals to sort out Speakers

Enquiries about the Perth Rowing Club

Confirmation of grant from Perth Airport

Booking of History Conference for Keith and Sue

Volunteer Hours

April 213.25

Membership Renewals and new Members

Franco Smargiassi

Total members 55

Facebook

Posts

Posts on John's talk and a picture after the talk

Post on the ANZAC day events was well received

Forwarded posts from Nauti Picnics and Landgate

Followers – increase of 14 – now at 996

Likes 853 increase of 12

Sat opening 1 April

Quite a few visitors

6. Treasurer's Report

Opening balance as at 1 December	\$7987.46
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Income

Membership fees	\$15
Donations	\$38
Raffle	\$62
Bank interest	\$0.06

Total income	\$115.06
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Expenses

Stationery	\$129.51
Talk refreshments	\$16.95
Bridgetown Conference	\$232
History books	\$40

Total expenses	\$418.46
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Total at Bank	\$7584.06
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Cash \$100

Total \$7684.06

Difference of \$303.40 - deficit

Upcoming expenses

More coreflute

Double sided tape

7: Review of MHPA activities

John: Preparing recordings for YouTube, including a plug for our Sponsors; creating more ANZACs; Church room will become brickworks and claypits room

Angela: Delivering flyers and newsletters; talked to Tim at Bold Park School promoting OPS

Peter: Tidying garden, hoovering OPS; tidying OPS; emptying storeroom

Terry: Working on Peninsula Talk; contacted Pam Gunn and through him he spoke to David Blair – early President of Peninsula Association; Terry's neighbours very happy to capture their recorded history

Keith: See President's report

Sue: See Secretary and Treasurer's report

8: Review of April

John talked twice – to MHPA and Mount Lawley Society who want to use the boards for their Quiz night
ANZAC Day – went v well with plenty of praise
KDC talk at the Library
Boards erected at the library
Talk to Stroke patients at Midland St John of God

9. Planning for 2023

Terry talk on Monday
KDC 19 June
BC for July
Phil Matson in September
Trying Chris Holyday and Richard Offen for August or September
Member events – look to organise one in August
Maylands Street market – 11 Nov – do a display on soldiers – gazebo – what to go in
KDC been in touch with John Gilbey – asked him if he would prepare a quiz for Maylands for Nov.
12 noon – 2 people from CoB coming to OPS to discuss joining them for events
Looking at presentation today for the Community Grant application this evening

10. Publicity, Advertising and Sponsorship

Flyers for June – for Keith's talk
New sponsors in Massengo - provided 6 bottles of wine

11. General Business

11.1 First Nations engagement

KDC talked to Mayor and Sally Palmer about this and have made contact with new reconciliation person and have contact for elder

11.2 Website Migration

Sue and Katie worked on the problem regarding links and Katie fixed it. Katie also added an event page and Sue has added specific events; we are climbing in Google search

11.3 Any other general business

IT upgrades – community pitch for around \$3500 for new recording equipment
KDC to finalise LotteryWest grant
Revised leases have been received
Use 219 Railway Parade on any info for talks

Date and Time of next meetings: Committee Meeting: Wednesday 7 June; next historical talk is Monday 15 May given by Terry Devereux; next OPS open day is Sat 3 June – Sue and Keith to open

Meeting closed 11.52