

WESTERN CROSSINGS COMMITTEE

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting takes place from 2.00 PM on Friday 25 November 2011 at Melrose Hall, 169 Great Western Highway, Emu Plains. The meeting needs to finish by 4.00 PM.

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies: Lynn Collins, Peter Dearden, Sharon Lamb, Marilyn Mercer, Roza Sage
3. Minutes of the previous meeting
4. Matters arising from the minutes
 - 4.1 Meetings with the Premier and the Member for Blue Mountains. Although I have contacted the Premier's adviser and written again to him (with a copy to the Member for Blue Mountains), no further advice has been received regarding my proposals for a special competitive grants program and a state coordinating committee.
 - 4.2 Heavy Horses. David Blaxland provided information on the recent Barellan Heavy Horse Show that I forwarded to several committee members who requested it.
 - 4.3 Sponsorship. I had a useful meeting with Mary Travers of Businesses Supporting Bicentenary at which various sponsorship possibilities were discussed.
 - 4.4 Commemorative stamps and coin. Following my letters to Australia Post and the Assistant Treasurer, I was advised that two commemorative stamps and a coin are being issued.
 - 4.5 Blue Mountains Association of Cultural Heritage Associations newsletter. I submitted a short article for this.
 - 4.6 Bill Evans' presentation. Bill provided a fascinating guided tour for committee members of a section of Cox's Road near Woodford on 28 August. It offers excellent possibilities for interpretation and visitation.
5. Commemorative activities and priorities. Attendees are invited to briefly report on any new developments since the last meeting. I have been advised of the following.
 - The State Records of New South Wales will digitise relevant maps identified by Ian Jack.
 - The National Museum of Australia is developing plans to link its new Landmarks Gallery with the bicentenary. George Main from the Museum hopes to attend the meeting.

- The State Library of New South Wales is considering a travelling exhibition/display.
- 6. Formal mechanism for coordination of events and planning. Several individuals and organisations have argued that this is needed. It is becoming increasingly urgent as the bicentenary approaches. There is concern about the possible duplication of effort and activities without greater coordination.
- 7. William Lawson's grave. This is in need of restoration.
- 8. Other business
- 9. Venue and date of next meeting
- 10. Close of meeting

David Carment
Chair