

OBERON COUNCIL

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PRESENT: Councillor Bob O’Bernier (in the Chair); Councillor Keith Sullivan (Mayor); Wayne Cooper (arrived 5.35pm); Jill Evans; Pam Dellow; Eric Whalan; David McMurray; and Visitor Information Centre Manager, Jennifer Youman.

OBSERVERS: Janifer Torner, General Manager, Leanne Mash; Community Liaison Officer, Kathy Beesley and Administration Trainee, Hanna Bates.

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received and accepted for the non-attendance of John Brotchie; Dr. Andrew Godden; Director of Corporate Services, John Chapman; Christine Parker and Lincoln Briffa.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 April 2011 were read and accepted. (P Dellow/J Evans)

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

2011/2012 OBERON AND VILLAGES SPRING GARDEN FESTIVAL UPDATE

A meeting is proposed to discuss dates and confirmation of activities and involvement by Anglican Church, Rotary, Mayfield Gardens and OPTA.

KANANGA CLASSIC ENDURANCE BIKE RIDE ON 16 OCTOBER 2011 UPDATE

- Delta electricity has sponsored \$2000 for activities. These activities include a jumping castle, food for BBQ, snow cones, prizes for treasure hunts, water bottles and the like
- Several stalls have been confirmed – National Parks and Wildlife Service, bike shops from Bathurst and Lithgow, Combined Oberon, Lithgow and Bathurst Visitor Information Centre’s stall and Jenolan Caves information stand
- Other activities include guided bike rides on the southern and northern loops
- Hampton P&C approached Council offering to do a sausage sizzle, cake stall and face painting as a fundraiser

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- A letter will be forwarded to all schools, Parents and Citizen groups, sports groups and service clubs in the Oberon LGA asking them to participate in the family day
- The RTA has sent several posters and brochures of bike safety and outdoor safety for display at the event
- The General Manager congratulated Jennifer Youman for obtaining \$2,000 sponsorship from Delta Electricity
- A request has been made to Jenolan Caves for donations of coupons/vouchers
- Highland Vintage Steam Festival has been requested to participate in the activities

COMBINED CHURCHES “CHRISTMAS IN THE STREET” UPDATE

Proposed dates are the 9 or 10 December 2011. Various programs and venues are being considered, including an offer from Mayfield Gardens for the use of their amphitheater. A decision will be made by all interested parties on 7 June 2011 when a meeting will be held to finalise details.

Dr Andrew Godden tabled details of current activities as follows:

- Easter Service was very well attended with much encouragement to pursue this kind of event in future years
- Pentecost Service – A combined Church service will be held on Sunday 12 June, 7.30pm with guest speaker Dr David Parker, head of New Testament Studies at Alpha Crucis College
- Back to Church Sunday to be held on Sunday 12 September across Australia

OTHER BUSINESS

- 2011 Oberon Show was very successful and plans are well underway for 2012 Show
- The dates proposed for the 2011 Carols in the Caves are 9 and 10 December 2011. This event is an annual fund raiser for the Children’s Hospital - OPTA are willing to be involved and will arrange raffles and organize the stall holders from the Monthly Markets to attend the caves for this event
- Wayne Cooper to contact Andrew Godden to confirm dates of the “Christmas in the Street” and Carols at the Caves
- Blue Mountains, Lithgow and Oberon Tourism are holding a marketing workshop at Jenolan Caves on Wednesday 8 June 2011 to release information on the Bufori Campaign and the Tourism Awards

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NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Events Committee is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 2 August 2011 at 5.30pm at the Council Chambers.

Meeting closed at 5.54pm.

Confirmed this _____ day of _____ 2011.

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