

Minutes

7.30pm Thursday 23 April 2015
Crossover School Hall



PREVIOUS MINUTES CONFIRMATION

Confirmed: **David Mapleson**
Seconded: **Jeff Smythe**

REPORTS

Correspondence

- **DELWP Fire management Form: Members can nominate an area of bush for controlled burn**
- **Invitation received for the 2015 rail trail summit**
- **Email sent to David Balfour regarding permits for bridge restoration (required for funding)**
- **Keith has emailed Fonterra to thank them for \$1000 donation**

Confirmed: **Shane Atkins**
Seconded: **David Mapleson**

Financial

Outgoing:

- **\$50 for website**
- **\$517 public liability insurance (not to be paid/renewed)**

Incoming:

- **N/A**

Operating Account: **\$1520.25**

Activities

- **Rokeby Market: No market since last meeting due to rain, next market 9th May. Help required. Last market stall had members from Walhalla, Shane encouraged the group to maintain their connection with Walhalla. May be opportunities for RCFG members to attend market/events at Walhalla to promote our area.**

Working Bee

Good attendance with the following jobs completed:

- **Blackberries sprayed**
- **Rokeby carpark whipper snipped**
- **Sign moved from Crossover carpark to Forest seat, Keith to organise historical info for sign.**
- **Rokeby Flora/Fauna river picnic area fallen trees removed and whipper snipped**
- **Committee members all commented on Carolyn's delicious home-made sausages!**

PROJECTS

Parks Vic Presentation

- **Award to be displayed Rokeby Hall community notice board – Keith to liaise with Geoff Mooney. On going.**

Bridge Restoration Project

- **Tourist signage. Carolyn still working on it, no update.**
- **Bridge Wood Identification - Mathew Bookhouse from ANU wood expert. No update.**
- **Keith to create facebook page for bridge**
- **Bernard to investigate single lane suspension bridge to give access to Westerly side, act as a viewing platform and cheaper alternative to restoring the original bridge.**

Public Reserve Strategy

- **Quarterly meeting planned. Date to be decided. No update.**

OTHER

- Mountain Bike trails in the Crossover Regional Park
 - Actions: signage at entry points onto the rail trail for mountain bikes – Parks to follow up. **Damien has met with Darren Hill (PV) twice since the last meeting, the second meeting included local riders and two committee members from Gippsland MTB club. Signs have been designed for all trails exiting onto the rail trail to warn users to slow down and give way, signs will be erected in the coming weeks. Changes to trail heads ie sharp turns to prevent cyclists from entering rail trail at speed will also be investigated. Some trails to become directional for safety reasons.**
 - Darren also to follow up on any decisions re any trails that should be closed. **One trail to be closed (Snake Gully).**
- Rokeby Flora and Fauna Reserve, picnic area cleanup - Carolyn Ferguson to follow up. **On-going.**
- Face book page – 2015 Keith. **As above.**
- Snow Train – 2015 project to work with Shire/Steam Rail Vic. **Propose a separate bus to bring people who are not interested in going to Mt Baw Baw (rail enthusiasts?) to Crossover area. Could also continue onto Noojee historical museum etc..**
- Funding Strategy – 2015 Keith to visit Fonterra, group members to consider how to spend the money. **On going.**
- Old Crossover 150 years old 1st Feb 2016 - Members to forward suggestions to Keith for a potential way to celebrate this event. **Keith to lead this, aim is to have a similar format to Rokeby hall commemoration. Ideas like historical walks and panning for gold suggested. Bernard to develop Facebook page.**
- Working Bee – Clean up. **Rubbish recovery Victoria will run on the weekend of May 2nd. Areas to be covered include Rokeby/Crossover, Hawthorn Creek, Moondarra. Help requested from RCFG members, meet at Pilgrim Ck Rd at 11am.**
- A big fundraising project – fun run, bush dance, car show, ... **No update.**

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Minutes taken by: Damien McGoldrick