



BRUNY ISLAND CEMETERY AND CHAPEL ASSOCIATION (BARNES BAY) INC trading as:

BARNES BAY CHAPEL AND CEMETERY ASSN.

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MINUTES of Meeting held Sunday 3 November 2024

Meeting opened: 11:40am

Present: Di Jodlowska (in the Chair), Yvonne Bottomley, Perri Bottomley, Ralph Bottomley, Alan Bottomley, Carolyn Martyn, Tanzi Lewis, Ella Martyn, Jillian Allie (by phone connection).

Apologies: David Goodrick, Zanna Jodlowska, Garth Denne and Justin Jones.

Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Moved: Di, Seconded: Perri, that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.

Business Arising: -

Aurora account is still in credit, presumably because of a government "cost-of-living" hand-out.

General Business:

1. Jillian has produced a **Running Sheet** for our Open Day. Committee members to arrive at the chapel by 9:00am or earlier.
2. Church Bell: it has been fixed! (Bruce Wall may disable it again after our open day). Adam and Arthur will ring the bell on the day.
3. **Motion:** Moved: Alan, Seconded: Ralph, that we request, through Kathy Duncombe, that the ownership of the bell be returned to our association. (In 2014 The **Bruny Island Historical Society** took ownership of the bell, the bell tower and the foundation stone prior to the sale of St Peter's Church in case it was sold into private hands).
4. **On Open Day:** Di and Alan to give a welcome talk and outline how the day will work. We should mention **Coleen Frost** who is a celebrant. Say something about the QR codes that have been applied to some of the gravestones. Forty or more people are expected to attend on the day.
5. Various people will bring **items of food** (Maree McNamara, David Grace, Tanzi, Yvonne, Ella, etc),
6. At around 10:30am Alan can perhaps provide **tours of the cemetery**. Thereafter people can mingle and partake of refreshments.
7. **Chairs.** How many do we need? Following a bit of a stocktake we decided that we have enough.
8. **Oak trees?** Do we want 2 to plant? Not really.
9. **Signs?** Do we need "where to park" signs? No, a few of our cars can act as examples. Alan will do an "**OPEN DAY TODAY**" sign for the gate.
10. **Plot Reservation Form.** Alan will have some paper forms available for people to fill in.
11. **Mission Statement display on A3 paper** – Ella will do.
12. Extra displays. Alan will do a **montage of photos** in addition to the large display of the gravesite **Inscriptions**.
13. Rubbish bins? Water for drinking? Coffee and Tea? - all in hand.

14. Painting of the gate and the rusty mark on the front of the building? Ralph organised Craig Luke to do that painting.
15. Gravel to fill the wash-out at the gate? Ralph has a Ute load to put in there. Justin Jones will fill-in Walter Cooley's sunken gravesite (with shells?).
16. **Original Church Pew:** BIHS has a very nice pew which is currently in the History Room at Alannah. However, there is not really enough room for it there. Alan to ask Kathy Duncombe about its provenance and whether it may be appropriate for us to have the pew.
17. **Yoga Classes, and other uses of our chapel.**
Carolyn and Di reported that the Yoga classes stop during Winter because our building is just too cold.
It was suggested that perhaps we should install a heat pump. It was agreed that we should look into this. Apparently, the CWA are financially strong and maybe they could help us with such a purchase? Or we could seek a grant?
18. **Special Guests: Nick Street, MP** was instrumental in getting us a special grant of \$5,000 to help with the building of our new toilet. Jillian invited him, and also **David Stewart**, (from the Kingborough Council) to attend our Open Day but they responded as shown below: -

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response from Nick Street's office:

Hello Jill,
Thank you for your kind invitation.

Unfortunately, Mr Street is unable to attend and would like to extend his sincere apologies.
We wish you every success with your event.

Anna Vincent
Electorate Officer, Office of Nic Street, MP, Liberal Member for Franklin.

Response from David Stewart

Dear Perri and Jill,
Thank you so much for the invitation to celebrate the Barnes Bay Chapel and Cemetery Open Day on November 9th. I truly appreciate the hard work and dedication the committee has poured into the ongoing development and maintenance of this property.

Unfortunately, I won't be able to attend the Open Day on this occasion. However, I'm impressed to see learn about the work that you have done, and I have been looking at your website to learn more about your work.

Congratulations, and I hope you have a wonderful celebration event in November. I will stop by to have a look at the site next time I'm on Bruny and travelling past.

Sincerely,
Dave Stewart
Chief Executive Office, Kingborough Council

Next Meeting: To be confirmed.

Meeting Closed: 12:50pm