

Draft Minutes Monaro Folk Society Annual General Meeting 2018

Date: 27 September 2018,

Time: 7:05 pm

Location: Beyond Q Cafe, 11 Brierly St Weston

Chairperson: Geoff Kell – President

1. Welcome

President and Chair, Geoff Kell welcomed the attendees and provided housekeeping notification and a summary of the order of events for the meeting.

2. Confirmation of quorum.

Matthew Gibbins recorded membership attendance at the door. Following the confirmation of quorum being reached at greater than 18 members the meeting started.

Attending: The following are in order of arrival (please advise if you have been omitted).

Geoff Kell; Antonella Salpietro; Ian Bull; John Hewat; Tina Lynam; Linda Aunela; Rodney Peters; Lance Court; Barbara Court; Bob Hodgson; Dave Wardle; Colin Towns; Chris Ward; Christine Briton; Julie Szabo; Robert Hayes; Maryrose Clarke; Connor Clarke; Bruce McKenzie; David Thompson; Mandy Scott; Tim McKerrow; Lawrie Brown; Moir Holmes; Peter Stringfellow; Rebecca Tarrant; Patricia Roche; Bruce White; Rita Woolhouse; Rita Turnbull; Alice Bauer; Carmela Meli; Pierre Sibilant.

Apologies:

Adrian Giacobetti, Alan Hutchinson, Ann Lehmann, Anne Mathas, Annette Colonna, Barbara Burns, Bob Anderson, Cathy Phillips, Christine Gifford, Darri Adamson, Daryl Powell, Denise Burton, Diana Powell, Donna Vaughan, Eileen Newmarch, Ellen Davies, Fran Verheul, Franklin Mills, Gavin Holmes, Graham Chalker, Jacqui Rosier, Janine Forster, Judy Gorman, Juliette Robin, June Staunton, Kirsty O'Connell, Laurie McDonald, Lesley Brink, Lorraine Downey, Madeleine Johnson, Margaret Anderson, Marianne Pietersen, Mark Simmons, Maurie Layne, Michael Phillips, Paul Carr, Paula Percival, Peter Percival, Ray Mulligan, Richard Williams, Robert Illingworth, Roger Gifford, Roni Giacobetti, Sally Williams

3. Previous Minutes – 21 September 2017 AGM

That the 2017 Minutes be accepted. Moved: Matthew Gibbins Seconded: John Hewat
Motion Carried without dissent.

4. Matters arising from 2017 AGM.

Dancing in the Park updated as agenda item 9 below.

5.1 Acceptance of Committee Reports

- 5.1.1 President's Report
- 5.1.2 Treasurer's Report
- 5.1.3 Income and Expenditure Financial Report for 2017-18
- 5.1.4 Assets and Liabilities 2018
- 5.1.5 Auditor's Report.
- 5.1.6 Public Officer's Report and Section 73 Report
- 5.1.7 Membership Report

Reports to be accepted as tabled. Moved: David Wardle, Seconded: Antonella Salpietro
Motion Carried.

It was reported to the meeting that Christine Gifford has now volunteered to be the Membership Secretary following the resignation of long standing membership secretary Declan O'Connell .

5.2 Acceptance of Sub Group Reports.

- 5.2.1 English Country Dance Report
- 5.2.2 Bush Dance Group Report (BDG)
- 5.2.3 Canberra Contra Club - no report received
- 5.2.4 End of Month Dance Team (EOMDOT) Report
- 5.2.5 ISD Annual Report
- 5.2.6 Merry Muse Report
- 5.2.7 Monaro Musings Report
- 5.2.8 Settlers Annual Report - no report received
- 5.2.9 Set In Their Ways (SITW)
- 5.2.10 Tuesday Night Music Group
- 5.2.11 Other Reports

Reports to be accepted as tabled. Moved: John Hewat, Seconded: Chris Briton
Motion Carried.

6. Election of New Officers for Committee

6.1 Appointment of Returning Officer

Colin Towns appointed as Returning Officer.

6.2 Voting on following positions

Nominations received for 10 positions. All elected unopposed.

President Geoff Kell

Vice President David Ball

Treasurer Alice Bauer

Secretary Ian Bull

Public Officer Antonella Salpietro

General Committee Members

Anne Mathas, John Hewat, Matthew Gibbins, Nelly Rogers, Chris Ward.

Geoff Kell formally thanked previous committee and welcomed newly elected committee.

Tina Lynam was also acknowledged as non-continuing committee member and her role MFS Musings Acting Editor.

7. Membership Fees No change for 2018-2019.

It was agreed that membership fees would be unchanged for 2018-2019. Tina reported that the increased electronic delivery of the MFS Musings newsletter had lowered cost by around \$50 per month.

Motion: To leave membership fees unchanged. Moved: Linda Aunela Seconded: Colin Towns Motion carried.

8. Other Business

8.1 Dancing in the Park (DitP) 2018

Geoff Kell advised the meeting that new charges now applied to Stage 88 and that the rate for community organisations was to be \$500 for a full day. There is no hourly rate. Options: Moving DitP to another location; make representations to have the decision reversed; do not hold DitP. The discussion included the observation that community venues were increasingly becoming unavailable to community groups. Colin Towns suggested that those interested in taking action should volunteer to work with organisations such as the Friends of the Albert Hall and possibly involve the media to pressure the NCA to reconsider its position regarding Stage 88.

Action: Geoff to send out an email seeking volunteers to support the continuation of Dancing in the Park and suggestions on possible course of action.

8.2 Other business without notice.

Colin Towns has arranged for a dance display performance at Cooleman Court on Sunday 28 October at 1:00 pm. This would follow on from the end of month dance on 27 October 2018 with music by the Canberra Mandolin Orchestra.

9. Meeting closed: 8:10 pm