

**Minutes MVA General Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> February  
Montville Village Hall 7.30pm**

1. **Meeting opened** at 7.32 The president welcomed all present. **Present:** as per attendance register

**Apologies:** Janet Helmrich, Heather and Allan Lewis, Barry Brady, Ian & Judy Rolle, Kathy Laver, Gillie Warren, Jude Lang, Stephanie McLennan

2. **Minutes of the January General Meeting** were emailed to members, displayed on the Village Square notice board, and put on the MVA website. They are taken as being read  
Moved: Syd Kirkby      Seconded: Tony Warren      that the minutes of the November General Meeting be accepted      Carried

3. **Business arising from minutes:** None

4. **New Members:** None

5. **Correspondence:**

**Inwards:**

MSC – require dates for Santa Night & Carols Night 2007

Sarah Yip – Ergon Tidy Towns – Montville entry?

Sharyn Peacocke – Domain name registration – shifted to Net Registry

Email to John – Francey Nelson re toilets and fill at sportsground

Email from George Blowers re toilets at sportsground

Email from Sarah Yip re Tidy Towns (2) & (3)

Gillie Warren – invitation to morning tea at Flaxton Barn Wed 15<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30 am

OFT – liquor licence for trivia night

Michael and Kyleigh Simpson re ideas for planting in Russell Family Park

Email – Michele Felmingham re inspection of morning glory invasion

Email – Michele Felmingham re address to MVA meeting by Jeanette Nobes re morning glory

Greg Rogerson – response to letter of concern re state of public toilets

Email – Judy & Dave Bull re RFP suggestions

Email – Joan Dillon re RFP suggestions

Range Care Crier

Montville Times

**Outwards:**

Email to Sarah Yip re Tidy Towns

Email from John to Francey Nelson re toilets and fill at sportsground

Email from John to George Blowers re toilets at sportsground

Greg Rogerson requesting a public meeting re possible amalgamation of councils

Greg Rogerson re state of public toilets

CoC – re location of defibrillator

TRN articles –Raffle results; Trivia Night; RFP barbecue

Article for *Montville Times*

Moved: Colleen Brady      Seconded: Rick Rexa      that the inwards correspondence be accepted and the outwards endorsed      Carried

6. **Business arising from correspondence:** Request made that the Montville Inn be suggested as a place to store the defibrillator.

7. **Treasurer's report:**

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Balance as at

29/01/07

\$

\$

6,723.12

		545.00	
Income			
Expenditure			514.10
<b>Balance as at</b>			
<b>26/02/07</b>			<b>6,754.02</b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>			
Hire of Hall	Paid	<b>540.00</b>	
Donation		5.00	
<b>Total Income</b>			
<b>Received</b>		<b>545.00</b>	
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>			
Hall Care taking			
January		240.00	
Janatorial			
supplies		16.60	
Rates: Domestic wheelie bin			
(01/01-30/06/07)		64.00	
Application for liquor license			
(trivia night)		32.50	
Website			
updating Nov			11.00
Web Domain name renewal			
(2yrs)		110.00	
Stamps			25.00
PO Box Renewal			
01/04/07-31/03/08)		15.00	
<b>Total</b>			
<b>Expenditure</b>			<b>514.10</b>
<b><u>Expenditure to</u></b>			
<b><u>approve</u></b>	nil		
<b>Reconciliation</b>			
Bank Statement #220 31 Jan 07 Closing			
Balance			7,779.27
Plus Income to be			
banked			180.00
Less Unpresented			
Cheques			1,205.25
<b>Balance as at</b>			
<b>26/02/07</b>			<b>6,754.02</b>

L Loftus, Treasurer  
26-Feb-07

Moved: Lynn Loftus    Seconded: Syd Kirkby that the financial report be accepted, and the expenditure be approved for payment Carried

8. **Business arising from Treasurer's report:** None

9. **Reports:**  
**Councillor Rogerson** Not present

**Russell Family Park** (Syd Kirkby): Council's Master Plan displayed and commended as a good place to start – compatible with original submissions made by MVA. Recent ideas received mostly in favour of a botanical garden. Need to encourage Council to start implementing plan. Syd will discuss with Councillor Rogerson and Council staff, and report back to next meeting

**Montville School** (Mary Hynes): **Enrolment** continues to grow with current enrolment of 146 students and another commencing next week. **Recent Highlights:**

Our most **recent building** is fully being utilised with prep and Year 1 students with 2 classrooms, huge veranda, drinking troughs underneath and a covered walkway soon to be completed

Education Queensland has just informed me that we will be receiving another **new classroom block**.

Project Services will be visiting the school soon to determine its best location – we're not sure where is most suitable but it won't be on the oval

The new **tanks** are already full and we're hoping to replace the pipes throughout the school.

Montville has been successful in acquiring substantial funding from a variety of grants to improve outdoor activities for the students. Now our task is to spend the money wisely. Recently a group of parents and I met to discuss the general improvements planned for the school site. The deck to be built outside the 2/3/4 room may require some changes to meet building act compliance however the end result should be fantastic. An extensive sand and water play area and extra playground items for the older students are to be included and we want students, parents, staff and community members to draw up their plans of what it will look like. Now's the time to dream, sketch and perhaps photograph other interesting playgrounds – we look forward to hearing your ideas.

Also recently, a group of parents and I met with the arborist and discussed the trees surrounding the **tennis court** which will soon be resurfaced. Root damage to the court has begun to occur in several places. The large fig to the south has still a lot of growing to do and would soon be putting down aerial roots from the branches which have already reached over the court. The dropping of figs also will cause ongoing problems. Roots of the smaller trees to the east of the court have also begun to push up through the surface of the court. Sadly, the arborist recommends that these trees be removed and more suitable bushes be planted. This would occur before the court was upgraded.

This Thursday some clear **plastic roll-up blinds** will be installed under the main building. This area which is used a lot by the students for games, skipping, parade etc. will be more suitable on cold or wet days.

**Covered walkway to Razorback House** should be underway soon

Soon we will organise a **Parent Curriculum Consultative Meeting** where the staff and parents meet and set some collaborative goals that we, as a school, wish to focus on during the year. More details soon but start thinking about a few priorities that you would like Montville to concentrate on this year.

Montville had 4 students in the **Small Schools Swimming Meet** in Nambour last week

**Clean Up Australian Schools Day** Friday – 2 March

Congratulations to our **new student leaders** Captains – Meshelle Clark and Jackson Keith, Student Council Secretary – Amber Faulkner and Treasurer – Joshua Frampton. We wish them all the best for their leadership roles.

Montville has an expanded Instrumental Music program this year and more students are keen to get involved and learn a new instrument. During a recent P&C meeting, it was discussed that perhaps some families or community members have a **musical instrument** (wind) that is no longer being used and that might be loaned or donated to the school. Please contact the office if you can help in this way.

#### **Coming Events:**

**Camp Quality Puppets** visiting Wednesday 28 February at request of parent of previously ill child.

Between 130-160 **Harley Davidson Riders** are arriving at the school on Sunday 4 March for morning tea. The P&C have a goal to buy a much needed PA system for the school (you have probably heard the quality of the old one).

Monday 12 March is the day set aside for the **Montville Bunya Feast**.

**Woodies** (Ken Urquhart): 135 financial members. **Tuition** – New beginners turning class has commenced. Will run for 6 weeks, and if there is on-going interest another will begin soon after. **Site maintenance** – Appropriate plantings undertaken in front of shed and along fence-line adjacent to tennis club area. **Help for tennis club** – Repair to door of tennis club rooms undertaken. **Community work** – 16 chairs & 8 tables almost finished for Anglican pre-school centre in Maleny. **Toilets** – Plan for a new toilet block estimated to cost around \$35,000 – grant application to be lodged in March. Expect to make up around \$10,000 of this. Assistance to repair of existing damaged toilet block given to MVA. **Open Day** Saturday 10 March 9.00 Am to 3.00 pm Woodcraft display & sales; sale & auction; demonstrations of woodcraft equipment; timber slabs available; chocolate wheel; eats, drinks & tours. Official opening 12 noon.

**Roads** – no report

**Blackall Range Care Cottage** (report not given as secretary left it at home. Please see end of minutes for this report.)

**Fire Brigade** – no report

**Fund raising Trivia Night Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets \$10 – available at Montville Pharmacy. Come along and enjoy the evening. Next event **Friday April 20<sup>th</sup> – Mauritian dinner.**

**History –** Historical Group hosting a morning tea at Flaxton Barn 10.30 am Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate the completed restoration of the Dixon gravesite

#### 10 **General Business:**

**Morning glory** (This item preceded the reports). Michele Felmingham welcomed Jeanette Nobes who is a founding member of the Blackall Range Invasive Weed Task Force. morning glory is destroying the landscape of the Range there are over 300 sites of major concern on the Range some sites are almost unrecoverable (e.g. Palmwoods – Montville Road) MSC councillors & staff officers, as well as DMR representatives amongst those shown the extent of the problem

morning glory can grow up to a metre a day – never stops growing

scrambles through tall trees

morning glory will keep coming back unless every trace of tissue is destroyed

an urgent need for funding so that work can begin on eradicating this noxious pest

important that every landowner cleans up his/her land

never move infected soil from an infested area to a clean area

never mow / slash from infected to clean

Montville – Mapleton now has morning glory in every piece of road verge

whole eastern escarpment is under threat of being destroyed in the next 5 years – a significant threat to businesses – catastrophic unless morning glory checked

views from the Range could become views of nothing but morning glory

remedial action should be taken in the next 6 months

landslip is a serious possibility if morning glory is not checked

everyone encouraged to look over the edge of the escarpment opposite the engineering works

beautiful native trees at the entrance to Montville about to be lost to morning glory

trying to get morning glory declared locally

**Memorial Gates** (Ken Lyons) Three options for Memorial Gates have been on display at the Post Office. Motion – Moved Jim Cox seconded Michelle Biggs that Option 2 – reversal of railings - be accepted Carried. Ken will discuss with ex-servicemen.

**Masonic Lodge** (Bevan Christensen): hot water service installed in kitchen; 2006 charitable donation made to Teralba.

#### 11. **Other Business:**

Chamber of Commerce Charity Auction – Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Edge Restaurant from 7.00 pm

#### 12. **Date of next General Meeting: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2007**

**Meeting closed at 8.50 pm**

#### **Addendum:: Blackall Range Care Group Inc** February 2007

We held a Community Forum on Tuesday 20th and whilst the turn-out was good we were hoping for some new faces so that we could spread the word of the work that the Care Group does. We want to ensure that all members of our Community are aware of the Care that we give so that nobody can fall through that gap and not know that there is help available when it is needed. So, I turn to you all to spread the word. Brochures are available at the Cottage, so why not come in and collect a few, then, whenever you meet a new resident, or identify that one of your neighbours or friends need assistance, you can give them a brochure and ask them to ring the Care Cottage. We have identified that there may be an area of need in the Hunchy /Palmwoods area and we will be doing some work to inform Doctors, Church and Community Groups of the work that is done at the Blackall Range Care Group and how it may be able to assist members of the Hunchy/Palmwoods Community. If any of you have any knowledge that may be of assistance to us in spreading our work to this area, please let us know by calling the

Cottage. Our Care Group is unique, and the work we do is excellent. We want to care for all those people in our Community who need help to remain in their own homes. We need your help to do this.

This is a very exciting time for us at the Care Group . In the next week or so we will find out if our application to the Federal Government for 50% of the money to build our new extension has been successful. When the work begins there may be some disruption to our Cottage activities but our care will continue as normal. Sadly we will have to lose three of the camphor laurel trees to make room for the new building but when the building is completed we will plant three new trees to replace them.

Some of you may know that Andrew Melville our President has had to undergo heart surgery very recently. We are pleased to report that he is now at home and his recovery is going well. Andrew has done so much for the Care Group and we have all been very concerned about him.

Remember spread the word of the work we do. If you are unsure of exactly what it is that we do, call into the Cottage and we will be happy to give you details. Our main aim is to assist members of our Community who may be at risk to live safely, securely and happily in their own homes for as long as possible.