

TUGGERAH LAKES U3A INC.  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD AT THE ENTRANCE LEAGUES CLUB, BATEAU BAY  
5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2019

The meeting opened at 10.17 am. The President, Helen Rawlings, welcomed everyone, especially our regional representative, Fiona Abbey, who had driven down from Maitland to attend our AGM.

**Present 31 members.** Mary Baggott, Margaret Barnett, Margaret Blundell, Ross Carlton, Stephanie Christin, Lesley Gosling, Karl Hogg, Dorothy King, Valda Lambert, Rhonda MacDiarmid, Tom Marish, Pam McGlinn, Ted McGlinn, Marjorie Nilsson, Sonya Oakes, Helen Rawlings, Dorothy Rhodes, Gwen Richards, John Richards, Kath Sewell, Gail Shore, Betty Siegman, Katherine Smithson, Shirley Sutherland, Joan Tanfield-Brockhoff, Gwynn Wakeham, Ruth Wallis, John Wallis, Gloria Watson, Fay Wynd.

**Visitors:** Fiona Abbey.

**Apologies were received from** Margareta Tauni and Irene Smith.

**Minutes** of the previous AGM held at The Entrance Leagues Club, Bateau Bay, on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 (copies of which were provided at each table) were adopted on motion by Dorothy Rhodes and seconded by Gail Shore.

**Matters arising from the Minutes** None.

**Our President, Helen Rawlings, presented her Report (as follows)**

'I think we have had a successful year. I have enjoyed it and hope you have too.

I would like to thank our committee members for all their hard work and especially our outgoing secretary, Margaret Blundell, for her contribution over the last four years. Margaret has kindly volunteered to continue to be our Audio Visual officer for our talks. Thank you Margaret.

We can't survive without our course leaders- Pam McGlinn, Creative Writing & Talks; Rhonda MacDiarmid, Marbles & Mah Jong; Christine Kilner, Play Reading; Betty Siegman, Cryptic Crosswords, Music Appreciation & editing the newsletter; Margareta Tauni, Readers Group; Rita & John Richards, Movie Appreciation; John Hayden, Memoirs. Their hard work is much appreciated.

**Treasurer's Annual Financial Statement**

Rhonda MacDiarmid presented the Treasurer's Report for period 1st October 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. Our total income for this period was \$6,016.11 and total expenses \$6,818.96. The final balance for 2019, including the value of equipment was \$6,875.43. Moved by Treasurer, Rhonda MacDiarmid and seconded by Gwen Richards that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Approved.

**Election of Committee Members**

The President vacated the chair and Fiona Abbey, the U3A Central Coast/Hunter Regional Representative, acted as Returning Officer.

Nominations had been received and seconded for seven (7) positions and, there being only one nomination for each position, Fiona Abbey declared the following members elected for 2020:

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| <b>President</b>         | Helen Rawlings   | <b>Vice President</b> | Pam McGlinn       |
| <b>Secretary</b>         | Sonya Oakes  | <b>Treasurer</b>      | Rhonda MacDiarmid |
| <b>Committee Members</b> | Betty Siegman (Newsletter) Gail Shore (Welfare)<br>Margaret Blundell (Audio Visual & Assistant to the Secretary) |                       |                   |

Fiona asked current members for a round of applause for the new committee.

Before handing over to the Incoming President, Fiona encouraged interested members to attend the 2020 U3A Network New South Wales Annual Conference which will be held in Shellharbour on 29<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2020.

Helen Rawlings then presented Fiona with a 'thank you' gift of a bottle of wine for attending the AGM and officiating during the election of the Committee.

### **Address of Incoming President**

We are pleased to have a new secretary – Thank you Sonya.

Did you all enjoy our end of term lunches? *They were a great success and will continue.*

Were you happy with the venue? Any suggestions for future events?

I would like to ensure that the play readers and creative writers have the opportunity to present their works.

Betty Siegman will present an interactive discussion on current topics of interest *possibly a couple of times next year.*

The Rambles (Walks) will continue next year but not in first term owing to the heat.

If you have any good ideas for new walks let me know. We are always looking for new ideas.

If you have a special talent or interest let us know so we can share it.

*[At this point Gloria Watson proposed restarting a Discussion Group which would meet on a regular basis and focus on 'the news of the week' rather than a predetermined topic. After some discussion amongst the members present, it was decided that the discussion group might be held every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday (when there are no Talks scheduled). A suitable venue for at least a dozen participants would need to be arranged. Gloria was asked if she would agree to be the initial convenor.]*

I would like to finish by wishing you all a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

**Announcements** – Dorothy King won the door prize of an annual subscription for 2020.

Betty Siegman showed three short videos.

The meeting closed at 10.55am and everyone chatted until a light buffet lunch of finger food was served.