

NEWS BULLETIN

OCTOBER 2022

Dear Otfordians

It seems like another year has almost slipped by. Hopefully the OCI calendar dropped into your letterbox last Christmas made watching the months pass more colourful. (More on a 2023 OCI calendar later!)

So, time to catch up on the Otford Community Inc news!

As you may or may not be aware, Wollongong City council has committed to refurbish our hall. As with most renovations, things don't always move at the pace you were expecting. Massive rain doesn't help either. We were asked to move all small items out of the hall by the end of 2021 and construction was to commence in February. Bit of a saga with tenders and budgets and we are still waiting on a date for commencement. We'll keep you posted.

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All memberships have been automatically renewed until June 30 2023 with **no fees payable**. If you receive this newsletter by email that means you are a member. If you have any changes to your contact details or family details (new little ones or some flown the coop) or want to join please fill in the membership form on the website. Our membership currently stands at 30 Family and 17 Single memberships (90 adults and 39 children – 129 in total)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Our AGM will be held on Friday 25 November at 4.30pm at the hall – all members are welcome.

We encourage any local residents to attend our meetings. Agenda for 2022 AGM and minutes of 2021 AGM are attached to this newsletter for newsletters sent by email.

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Pre-Christmas get together after the AGM

NANI'S FOOD TRUCK IN GEORGES ROAD from 6pm

Friday 25 November.

Check out their website for menu and prices.

<https://www.nanisfoodtruck.com.au/>

BYO something to drink and perhaps chairs, not much parking so walk if you can.

2023 OCI CALENDAR

We're hoping to produce another slightly larger desktop calendar this year with submissions from Otford residents - the theme being **Pets of Otford**. If you don't have a pet feel free to submit your fave Otford view, plant, tree or local fauna.

Upload your photo to the Otford Local FB page or email to the booking email above.

THANK YOU

As always nothing happens without some behind-the-scenes machinations, thanks to the committee: Jackie, Claudia, Mark, Vicki, Sue and Natasha.

Thanks also to Michelle for stepping up to organize and run the playgroup.

Agenda
Oxford Community Inc AGM
4.30pm 25 November 2022
Oxford Community Hall

Attendees:
Apologies:

Commenced:

Item	Decision	Action	Due
Minutes	Minutes of 14 September 2021 AGM Moved - , Seconded -		
President's Report	As tabled. Moved - ; Seconded -		
Financial Report	As tabled and approved by the Board on 13 October 2022 . Auditor, Megan Simon approved financials Moved - , Seconded -		
Election of Office Bearers and New Members	was appointed as Returning Officer and declared all positions vacant before calling for nominations. The following people were elected unopposed: President - Moved - ; Seconded - Vice President - Moved - ; Seconded - Treasurer - Moved - ; Seconded - Secretary - Moved - ; Seconded - Ordinary member - Moved - ; Seconded - Ordinary member - Moved - ; Seconded -		

Business arising	Membership - __ Families; __ Singles - __ people; __ adults; __ children; __		

Presidents Report 2021 - 14 September 2021

Well, that was a year that really never was! But we did manage to sneak a few things in before all got shut down again.

Thanks to Wendy Gergios, we were able to start an Art Therapy Group in February, and was very much a success – and most attendees were very keen to keep this going, this much that we applied for a grant to The Wollongong Council and were successful – this money we had decided we would be able to pay Wendy for her time, and the council wanted us to produce some type of Art that we could show at the VIVA la Gong Festival. Which is now on hold.

Also Michelle Craven Rook began the Picasso Playgroup – however, was struggling with a little one and wanted to put the Playgroup on hold – we were getting close to starting again.

We had one community Dinner before all went south – The Tex Mex Fiesta – and that was a lovely afternoon/evening.

We have been in communication with the council, and all would seem that an upgrade to the community hall is going to go ahead next winter.

At this point I wish to thank everyone on the Committee, for their contribution – in keeping this little project going.

Let's hope that in the near future there will be fun and laughter heard in the Otford Community Hall again soon.

I have decided to step down as President, due to challenging personal reasons – I will however, like to keep involved with the Community Hall.

Jackie Boyce

Minutes

Oxford Community Inc AGM

14 September 2021

Zoom

Attendees: Jackie Boyce, Mark Bray, Natasha Watson, Claudia Walters, Susan McIntyre, Vicki Wilmott

Apologies:

Commenced: 7.44 pm

Minutes of 13 November 2020 AGM

Moved - Mark , Seconded - Jackie

President's

Report

As tabled.

Moved - Claudia; Seconded - Natasha

Financial

Report

As tabled and approved in July.

Auditor, Megan Simon approved financials

Moved - Mark, Seconded - Sue

Election of Office Bearers and New Members

Natasha was appointed as Returning Officer and declared all positions vacant before calling for nominations. The following people were elected unopposed:

President - Vacant

Vice President - Natasha

Moved - Claudia; Seconded - Jackie

Treasurer - Mark

Moved - Jackie; Seconded - Sue

Secretary - Claudia

Moved - Jackie; Seconded - Mark

Ordinary member - Sue

Moved - Claudia; Seconded - Jackie

Ordinary member - Vicki

Moved - Mark; Seconded - Natasha

Business

arising

Membership - 21 Families; 13 Singles - 95 people; 63 adults; 32

children; 20 unpaid 2020-2021: 26 Families; 20 singles - 120 people;

87 Adults; 33 Children

Closed: 8.01pm

**OTFORD COMMUNITY INC
FINANCIAL REPORT
For Year End 30/06/2021**

Balance Brought Forward From 1 July 2020 \$4,261.92 Year to Date

PLUS HALL INCOME

Hall Hire \$50.00 Hall Donation from Association \$2,041.71

Total Hall Income \$2,091.71

MINUS HALL EXPENDITURE

Booking Expenditure \$1,312.14 Equipment/Supplies/Electricity \$779.57

Total Hall Expenditure \$2,091.71 SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OPERATING HALL \$0.00 PLUS ASSOCIATION

INCOME

Joining/Membership Fees \$92.54 Event Income \$997.58 Grant \$5,000.00

Total Association Income \$6,090.12 MINUS ASSOCIATION EXPENDITURE

Hall Donation from Association \$2,041.71 Event Expenditure \$423.63

Total Association Expenditure \$2,465.34 SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OPERATING ASSOCIATION \$3,624.78

Closing Balance 30 June 2020 \$7,886.70

(Cash at Bank as per Bank Statement) \$7,886.70