

MORNINGTON PENINSULA BRANCH NATIONAL TRUST
MINUTES for 37th Annual General Meeting
held on THURSDAY 17 November 2022 at McCrae Homestead
from 11.00am.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners – the Boon Wurrung People

President Victor Sullivan welcomed guests – NTAV CEO Simon Ambrose, VIP's, Trust members & friends.

Present:

Simon Ambrose, Carol Anderson, Penny Carnaby, Ken Falconer, Peter Greer, Adrienne Herring, Di Horscroft, Elizabeth & George Wood, Elizabeth Saunders, Bruce Steele, Pamela Marners, Vicky Sapkin, Mandy Milledge, Rosemary Richards, Adie Smith, Shirley & Keith Murley, Victor Sullivan, Sam & Susan Steele, Judy Walsh, Trudy Henderson, Verity Moore & Kay Barrow.

Apologies:

Mr John Baker, Mr David Morris MP, Anne Grogan, George-Ann Sullivan, Andrew Logies-Smith, Kristen Stegley OAM, Chris Brayne MP, Cr Steve Holland & councillors.

1 Acceptance of Minutes from 2020 AGM – 9.12.2021

Moved Peter Greer seconded Elizabeth Saunders **Carried**

2 Business Arising

Nil

3 President's Report - Attached

President Victor Sullivan to present his annual report for the year 2021-20222
Moved - Adrienne Smith seconded – Adrienne Herring **Carried**

4 Treasurer's Report - Attached

Treasurer Peter Greer to present the financial statements for the year 2021-2022. Moved - Peter Greer Seconded - Adrienne Herring **Carried**

5 Membership Report

Penny Carnaby reported on our Branch membership for the year – 470 members

6 Election of Office Bearers & Committee

Call for a non-committee person to chair the Meeting and conduct the election of Office-Bearers & Committee Members according to nominations received. Simon Ambrose officiated.

All Office Bearers & Committee Members stood down at this point and all positions were declared vacant:

President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary and four ordinary Committee Members.

Current 2022 Members, J Walsh, V Sullivan, P Greer, A Herring, A Smith, P Carnaby & V Sapkin indicated willingness to stand for the 2023 committee and were re-elected. Di Horscroft was nominated as new committee member and duly elected. Welcome to Di

Co-opted appointments will be made by incoming committee. (A co-opted position allows a member to attend meetings and functions in a volunteer capacity at Branch meetings and events and in specific committee related projects but are ineligible to vote on committee business.

7 Other business

Mandy Milledge commented on the presentation of Georgiana's silver tea pot to the McCrae Homestead and National Trust collection but outlined problems in transporting the item. Simon Ambrose offered a possible solution.

Dr Rosemary Richards spoke about her new book, Memories of Musical Lives, which includes Georgiana McCrae.

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To be conducted at a time and place to be determined by the 2023 Committee

9 Guest Speaker - NTAV CEO Simon Ambrose

Simon gave an overview of the activities of NTAV over the last twelve months and future plans including Mooramong, Pentridge and Gulf Station. He also highlighted the economic challenges faced by the NT with Covid lockdowns which severely impacted tourism combined with lack of overseas visitors. He highlighted significant projects that have resulted from state and federal support and projected a bright future ahead. He congratulated the Branch on its operation and achievements.

10 Mr Bruce Steele AM launched his publication of Andrew McCrae's Diaries

Bruce gave the background to his research and read from Andrew's diary written while he was living at McCrae homestead. His publication was warmly received and the President offered congratulations.

13. Close of Meeting

Guests are invited to partake of refreshments served in the McCrae Homestead grounds.

Meeting closed at 12.50