

Bellarine Springs Residents Association

AGENDA

COMMITTEE MEETING - 8TH APRIL 2026

Meeting Room

Present: Sue Kuter, Kaz Peach, Rick Goss, Glynis Jones, Delia Jenkins, Jayne Huson, Gayle McNiece, Maree Burn, Sandra Adams. Wendy Down will join us at 11am to preview the new Website.

Apologies:

Meeting Start: 10:00 am

Chair:

1. Apologies & quorum
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
3. Correspondence

Received:

Thank you card from Steve Merriman

Request to send out information on bus routes from Peter Downes - forward to residents.

Sent:

4. Minutes of previous meeting (11th March, 2026)

a. Moved to accept Minutes: Jayne Huson Second: Rick Goss

b. Business Arising from Minutes:

- Christmas caterers - have decided on the same caterers as last year and will be booked.
- St. Anne's Vineyard - has been looked into and will arrange for a wine tasting to be held at the village.
- Non-alcoholic wine for the bar - see bar report.
- Defib machine training - still being looked into.
- Decisions requiring attention between committee meetings - quick meeting instead of emails if needed to make a quick decision but only if an emergency. (One member abstained).
- Anzac Day - all organised.
- Winter Solstice - Potato van on the 20th June. Try to place the fire pit somewhere for the night. Looking into alternate arrangements.

5. Treasurer's Report - Rick Goss

- a. Financial Report, including current balance (*circulated*)

This month's financial report shows a Deficit of **-\$164.55**. A remarkably good result considering if we exclude the payment of \$4,610 to charities, outgoings were still over \$1,500. Bar sales were buoyant this month with over \$3,000 in sales

Outgoings comprised funding of equipment for some of our Activity Groups, and partial or wholly funding a significant number of social events and activities.

The BSRA funded an upgrade to storage in the Pavilion. A bench seat was removed, and a storage unit built in its place. This now provides secure storage for the Whisky Group located adjacent to where their meetings are held, and improved equipment storage for the Croquet Group amongst others.

Alan Nettley's Fire Recovery Raffle and Auction raised \$4,610.00 which was split equally between the Drysdale CFA and CWA. Square commission deductions meant \$4,607.12 was received. The BSRA covered the \$2.88 gap.

From this month onwards, transfers between BSRA's two A/C's and External Fundraising receipts and payments will be excluded from our Income and Expenditure report. These will now be listed as a note at the end of the report.

Non-Bar Stock Expenditure

- Morning Tea Supplies	\$ 207.07
- Hot Dog Night Supplies	\$ 146.48
- Pavilion Storage Materials	\$ 488.76
- Trivia Prizes	\$ 58.00
- Fire Recovery Raffle Night Refreshments	\$ 115.20
- Aqua Aerobics Barbells	\$ 70.36
- Fire Raffle Charity Payment	\$4,610.00
- St Patrick's Day Catering	\$ 312.00
- Rummikub Tile Sets	\$ 118.19
	\$6,126.06

Financial Report as of 31st Mar 2026

Date	Current Month 1st Mar - 31st Mar	Year to Date 1st Jul - 31st Mar
Income		
Bar Sales	\$3,230.09	\$25,232.93
Social Events	\$0.00	\$3,073.18
Interest	\$3.43	\$31.95
Misc. Income	\$0.00	\$1,560.09
	\$3,233.52	\$29,898.15
Expenses		
Bar Purchases	\$1,882.01	\$16,314.08
Social Events	\$631.68	\$8,737.47
Morning Teas/Catering	\$207.07	\$1,833.14
Activity Group Funding	\$188.55	\$388.55
Stationery & Admin.	\$0.00	\$13.60
Equipment Purchased	\$0.00	\$750.00
Misc. Expenses	\$488.76	\$1,816.01
	\$3,398.07	\$29,852.85
Summary	-\$164.55	\$45.30
A/C Balances as of 31st Mar 2026		
Cash - Bar A/C		\$1,092.99
Cash - General A/C		\$6,127.60
Cash - Petty Cash		\$41.90
Cash - Bar Float		\$40.00
		\$7,302.49
Assets - Bar Stock		\$1,459.14
Overall Financial Position		\$8,761.63

Note 1) Up to 31st March, \$9,000 has been transferred from the Bar A/C to the General A/C.

Note 2) \$4,607.12 was deposited for an external fundraising event with \$4,610.00 being paid out. The difference of \$2.88 was a result of Square commissions. This was covered by the BSRA.

Moved to accept Report: Treasurer: Rick Goss Seconder: Kaz Peach

6. Committee Reports:

a) President's Report - Sue Kuter

Wow what a way to start April off. Have you seen what's going on as listed at the activity station?? Congratulations to the Social Activities Committee who have been hard at work arranging a huge array of interesting events both within the village as well as outings. Please make sure you take a look at the notice board or your emails to see what's on offer. Many of these events require signing up for as in some cases numbers are limited and for catering purposes.

Welcome back those resident's who have ventured further afield on various trips within Australia and overseas. And safe travels to those who are about to embark on theirs.

The village continues to welcome new resident's into this great community. Moving can be overwhelming, every one of us has had to do it so we know what you're experiencing. Please reach out to any of us if there is anything you are unsure of or require assistance with. The monthly morning tea on the 2nd Tuesday of each month can be a good way of meeting people and hopefully where new life long friendships are formed.

We bid a sad farewell to some of our resident's during the month of March. Our thoughts are with their families and friends.

A huge thank you to residents who organise and participate in the many and varied activities that take place in our village. We certainly have a vibrant and active community here.

b) Secretary's Report - Glynis Jones

Just a reminder to residents if they are planning on running an event, even if they are not requiring BSRA support in any way, to please let us know so we can check there are no calendar clashes.

c) Bar Report - Mel McNiece

Sales \$3159.99

Purchases \$2088.90

Stock \$1459.14

Sales have been great all month!

Since introducing Carlton Dry 3.5% it has been a success.

I have had a request from one of our new residents about adding a non-alcoholic wine option for customers to buy over the bar.

Purchased a non-alcoholic wine and it was greatly appreciated. The resident said she could bring her own but is more than happy to support the bar.....

Squealing Pig Zero \$12.99 per bottle selling for \$4 per glass over the bar. I will advertise that this product is available.

I really appreciate Russell and Alistair for looking after the bar while we were away.....awesome jobs guys!!!!

Special Note:

I would also like to thank Kaz and Jacqui for running the Happy Hours for 3 Fridays nights in my absenceand from all the feedback they did a great job.

d) Welcome Group - Gayle McNiece

I've been away for a couple of weeks since our last committee meeting, so I haven't had a chance to meet any new residents.

After returning from holidays, I have not been feeling well and thought it might not be the best time to meet residents.

I'm really looking forward to getting to know our new residents in the months ahead.

e) Social Activities Report - (Including Upcoming Events) - Sandra Adams and Maree Burn

Since our last committee meeting, the BSRA has been involved with:

Completed:

- 17th Mar - St Patrick's Day event at the Community Centre
- 20th Mar - Bellarine & Mornington Peninsulars' Retirement Villages Open Day
- 3rd Apr - Good Friday - Hot Cross Buns at Happy Hour
- 5th Apr - Church Outing for Easter Sunday
- 7th April - Jill's Comfort Shoes at the Community Centre

Upcoming:

- 14th Apr - Welcome/Birthday Morning Tea
- 23rd Apr - Village Outing - Wildlife Photography Exhibit at Wool Museum
- 24th Apr - Jenkins Fish Van has been booked (Friday Happy Hour)
- 25th April - Anzac Day - Morning Tea at 10.30am and Ceremony at 11.40am
- 5th May - Chez Chez Fashions (local business) has been booked
- 15th May - Village Outing - MG Museum of the Marque in Belmont
- 21st May - Village Outing - Hastings Ostrich Farm Winchelsea
- 26th May - Fifth Avenue Jewellery has been booked
- 20th June - Winter Solstice - Country Baked Potatoes has been booked

Discussion:

- Two quotes have been obtained for the Village Christmas lunch and dinner on Sun 13 December. Book in Neale's Spit Roast.
- St Anne's Vineyards Wine Tasting (disussed in Business Arising).
- Mothers' Day is on Sun 10th May. Mothers' Day raffle at Happy Hour on Fri 8th May.

- Pickled Onions Band for May or June. Further information to come. 7th June possibility.
- Wardrobe by the Sea Fashions.
- Group Visit to the TLC Homestead in discussions currently.

f) IT/Communicatons Report - Delia Jenkins

Nothing interesting to report this month. Waiting for the new towers to be turned on to see if our Cellular reception improves!!

g) Website Report - Rick Goss

Numbers accessing our website in March dropped lower than in February, even though we had 3 additional days.

Village News and Events continue to be the page's most regularly viewed, with Village Newsletters and BSRA Minutes also featuring prominently. We can see Blue Pages being regularly accessed as residents seek details of Tradies and other local businesses.

With many new residents arriving in the village since the website was initially launched, I plan to run a repeat of the Website workshop to encourage more people to use, and answer any questions residents may have.

Statistics:

Between 1st and 31st March there were 39 Unique Visitors (residents accessing), and 80 Site Sessions (number of times someone has accessed site).

Desktops continued to be the most used device to access the website with 50%, next comes Mobiles with 41% with Tablets taking the remaining 9%.

Wendy joined us at this stage to demonstrate the BSRA website that she is working on. Thanks to Wendy for all her work and the website is coming along very well. This is one that will be live on the internet when completed.

h) Management Report - Kent Hodgson

The village financial report is not finalised.

Village Operations & Maintenance

- Completed repairs to Village bus
- Reline pickleball lines on tennis court
- Monthly fire services completed
- Order new air handling Boiler for pool
- Completed cuts back to stage 1 to 5

Compliments/complaints

- None

Hazards

- None

Insurance claims

- Lodge a claim for damage done to the Village Bus
- Claim with Insurer and completed all repair works.
- One Insurable claim repair carried out by the Village, as cost of repairs was under policy excess.

7. Requests for Funding

a) Wireless microphones - Geoff Turner \$65.98 - Passed

8. Other business

- Funding Policy - to stay the same. Thanks to Judith for her input.
- RRVV changes to the Act. Discussion took place re the changes but it really is wait and see.
- Suggestion for Epsom View Container Park - containers to eventually be removed and what to do to beautify the area. Looking into alternatives. Any ideas are most welcome.
- BSRA Meeting time - Anyone interested in evening meetings instead of cutting into our day? Moving to the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm for a trial.
- Possible differential council rates for retirement villages - will look into setting up a sub-committee to look into this.

9. Meetings with Management

Committee to nominate at least 2 Committee members and suggest a third person to attend the next Management Meeting.

16th April: Sue Kuter and Maree Burn

Monday: 11th May

Meeting Closed: 12.38

I confirm these Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting of 8th April, 2026

Signed: *Date:*

(Mrs Sue Kuter, President, Bellarine Springs Residents Association)

ACTION LIST

Agenda Item	Action	Outcome
Container in caravan park and suggested usage of area. Petanque/Bocce?		
RRVV and changes/ implications for us.		
Village Bus usage		
Resident's Rates		