

**Minutes of special meeting of Berri Centenary Committee  
to plan publication of a book  
Held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2008 at 7pm  
Berri Library & Information Centre**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	
	Peter welcomed and thanked all attending	
<b>1.1</b>	<b>Present</b>  Peter Ison (Chair), Merridy Rady (Minutes), Jacque Zagotsis, Nancy Powell, Alma Whimpress, Ted Moss, John Doecke  New attendee to be added to mailing list – Alma Whimpress	
<b>1.2</b>	<b>Apologies</b>  Mary Deakin (Acting CEO Berri Barmera Council), Peter Hunt (Mayor, Berri Barmera Council), Councillor Rhonda Centofanti, Andrew Haigh, Dalma Cooper, Cheryl Ingerson	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Additions to the Agenda</b>	
	None	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Minutes of last Meeting</b>	
	Jacque advised that minutes of last general committee meeting had been distributed to all on mailing list	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Business Arising</b>	
<b>4.1</b>	To be carried over to next meeting of full committee.	<b>Action:</b> Next meeting

5.	New Business	
5.1	<p><b>Diploma in Event Management</b> – Peter spoke about this course which is being offered to those involved with the Centenary. It is being run free due to a grant received at the Renmark Paringa Community Centre. If anyone is interested in participating in the course, please see Peter for details.</p>	<p><b>Action :</b> Interested committee members to see Peter Ison.</p>
5.2	<p><b>Appointment of Andrew Haigh</b> – Peter informed those present that Council has appointed Andrew Haigh to the position of Community Liaison Officer and as part of that appointment he will be managing the Centenary Committee and events of the commemorations. We look forward to working with Andrew in planning of Berri's Centenary.</p>	
5.3	<p><b>Brainstorming session for book</b> - This was a session thrown open to committee to suggest ideas for the publications for Centenary. Options 1-5 were written up on a whiteboard as suggested.</p> <p>OPTION 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Republish 'Berri Hub of the Upper Murray' with more photos and an index</li> <li>• Author to write a new book and publish either separately or in a combined form with 'Berri Hub of the Upper Murray'</li> <li>• Publish pictorial history book</li> <li>• Cost?</li> </ul> <p>OPTION 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Author to write a new 'comprehensive' book covering entire Berri history</li> <li>• Publish pictorial history book (committee)</li> <li>• Cost?</li> </ul> <p>OPTION 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Author to write a new 'comprehensive' book covering entire history</li> <li>• Multimedia disc with film footage and photographs instead of a publishing a pictorial history book</li> </ul> <p>OPTION 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Author to write a new 'comprehensive' book covering 1954 to present</li> <li>• Scan and print copies of 'Berri Hub of the Upper Murray'</li> <li>• Publish pictorial history book (committee)</li> </ul> <p>OPTION 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publish one 'comprehensive' book by selected author</li> </ul> <p>Suggestions for title of book – to be added to as suggested</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "A century to celebrate : Berri and surrounds 1911-2011"</li> </ul>	<p><b>Action :</b> Andrew, Peter, Mary, Jacque &amp; Merridy to meet in May with proposed author to discuss the options for book.</p>

	<p><b>Brainstorming for content of book –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cover design – maybe competition for high school students</li> <li>• Social history a big part so that it appeals to many people and cultures</li> <li>• Include Berri &amp; surrounds – Glossop, Monash, Winkie, Gurra, Gerard, Springcart Gully, Craggs Creek</li> <li>• Pre-white settlement</li> <li>• Returned soldiers</li> <li>• Berri War Memorial Community Centre &amp; Berri News</li> <li>• Community Groups</li> <li>• Sporting groups</li> <li>• Buildings – detailed maps of where businesses were</li> <li>• Colour</li> <li>• Link oral histories to community group information, i.e. Girl guides then link someone's recollections in script</li> <li>• Schools, TAFE</li> <li>• Groups no longer here, e.g. Berri Gum Tree, Horticultural Show Society</li> <li>• Family businesses, e.g. Tape's Berri North Store, various wineries</li> <li>• Horticulture, agriculture, packing sheds, wineries</li> <li>• Bridge, ferries, Council, swimming pools, Institute, Mothers &amp; Babies</li> <li>• Famous people – could get difficult with who to include and exclude</li> <li>• Caravan park, Rivoli theatre, recreation areas, Winkie airfield</li> <li>• Hospital, St. Caths., Cottage Homes,</li> <li>• Emergency services, fire, police, SES, ambulance</li> <li>• Radio 5RM, Post Office, Hotel, CWA, Berri Car Club</li> <li>• Carnivals, marches, festivals, shows, celebrations</li> </ul> <p>Suggestions from brainstorming session will be taken to meeting with proposed author, Rob Linn at a meeting to be held in early May.</p>	
6.	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	None	
7.	<b>Closure &amp; Next Meeting</b>	
	<p>Meeting closed 8.15 pm</p> <p><b>Next meeting of full committee for Centenary to be held on <u>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2008</u> in the Berri Library at 7.00pm</b></p>	