

**SCOTTISH AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE COUNCIL Inc. (SAHC)  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016**

**Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts  
280 Pitt Street, Sydney  
8 February 2016**

The meeting was opened by the President at 6:25 pm.

**1. Attendance and apologies**

Members present: Barbara Gurney, Sybil Jack, Geoff Davidson, Judy Buchanan, Elizabeth Munro, Susan Wanless, Malcolm Buchanan, Nea MacCulloch, Jan Magrath, Susan Cooke

Apologies: The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Dunmore, Frank & Susanne Davidson, Lorna Barrow, Ross Coleman, Elizabeth Campbell-McKenzie, Bruce Thomas, Rosemary Samios, Ron Campbell-Phillips, Eric Richardson, Grant Platt, Chris Lindsay, Joe Johnson, Charles Cooke.

**2. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting**

Minutes of the previous AGM (9 February 2015) were read by the President.

**Motion:** That the minutes of the previous meeting were a true record of the meeting.

Moved: Sybil Jack, Seconded: Nea MacCulloch, Carried.

**3. Matters arising**

No matters arising.

**4. President's Report**

The President reported on the events from 2015. Refer Attachment 1.

**Motion:** That the President's report be adopted.

Moved: Susan Cooke, Seconded: Barbara Gurney, Carried.

**5. Life Membership**

There were no new Life Memberships for consideration.

**6. Presentation of accounts**

6(a) Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer tabled the financial report for 2015, as at 31 December. Refer Attachment 2.

A surplus of \$4,759.95 was recorded for the year.

Cash at bank is \$23,879.42.

Membership fees received \$2,200. (In 2015, 86 financial members cf 118 in 2014).

The total raffle amount raised was \$6080.30 (cf \$7,021 in 2014).

It was noted that \$886.35 was transferred to SSSH from SAHC for profit received from Scottish Week lectures. Malcolm Buchanan congratulated SAHC for its 2015 efforts and asked Sybil Jack to convey the Committee's thanks to SSSH for their efforts too.

**Motion:** That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Sybil Jack, Seconded: Susan Cooke, Carried.

6(b) SAHC Membership Fees 2016

**Motion:** That the fees for 2016 remain the same as in 2015:

New Member one off Joining fee (\$10) \$10.00

New members also add one of the following:

• Annual Individual Membership fee \$20.00

• Annual Clan/Association/Family membership # \$25.00

(# members of the one family occupying the same household)

Moved: Nea MacCulloch, Seconded: Geoff Davidson, Carried.

Consideration of the removal of the \$10.00 joining fee was put for discussion at the next meeting as an inducement to encourage membership.

**Motion:** That the form A12 be completed and provided to NSW Fair Trading with \$51 fees to be paid.  
 Moved: Lorna Barrow, Seconded: Liz Munro, Carried.

## 7. Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members

The President declared all positions vacant. Malcolm Buchanan stepped down from the chair. Susan Cooke conducted the election of the President's position. There was one applicant for the position of President being that of Malcolm Buchanan.

**Motion:** That Malcolm Buchanan is elected to the position of President.

Moved: Susan Cooke, Seconded: Geoff Davidson, Carried.

Malcolm Buchanan took the chair and conducted the remainder of the election.

The following officers were then declared elected:

Position	Nominations	Moved	Seconded	Carried
Deputy President	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Sybil Jack	Yes
Hon. Treasurer	Nea MacCulloch	Barbara Gurney	Geoff Davidson	Yes
Public Officer	That the Treasurer be appointed as Public Officer	Susan Cooke	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Hon. Secretary, incl: - Minute secretary - Asst Secretary	Susan Cooke	Barbara Gurney	Sybil Jack	Yes
Membership (mechanical processes)	Judy Buchanan	Liz Munro	Susan Cooke	Yes
(Senior) Vice President	Barbara Gurney	Liz Munro	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Vice President	Geoff Davidson	Judy Buchanan	Susan Cooke	Yes
Vice President	Sybil Jack	Nea MacCulloch	Barbara Gurney	Yes
Vice President	Liz Munro	Judy Buchanan	Susan Wanless	Yes
Vice President	Ron Campbell-Phillips	Nea MacCulloch	Malcolm Buchanan	Yes
Membership (strategies/campaigns)	Vacant			
Clans Liaison	Geoff Davidson	Judy Buchanan	Susan Cooke	Yes
Sponsorship/Marketing	Ron Campbell-Phillips	Malcolm Buchanan	Nea MacCulloch	
Publicity	Vacant			Yes
Asst. Secretary (now in the Secretary role)				
Newsletter Editor	Frank Davidson	Geoff Davidson	Barbara Gurney	
SAHC Webmaster	Vacant			
Annual Souvenir Program Editor	Barbara Gurney	Malcolm Buchanan	Susan Wanless	
Highland Dancing Coordinator	Liz Munro	Judy Buchanan	Susan Wanless	Yes
Convenor History Conferences/Seminars & Sydney Society for Scottish History Liaison	Sybil Jack	Nea MacCulloch	Barbara Gurney	Yes
Australian Tartan Promotion	Jan Magrath	Sybil Jack	Liz Munro	Yes
Ceilidh/Concerts Convenor	Vacant			Yes
SAHC Genealogist	Barbara Gurney	Liz Munro	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
Heraldry Officer	Peter Stuart	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
Macquarie Birthday Dinner Convenor	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Burns Dinner Convenor	Nea MacCulloch	Barbara Gurney	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Asst Convenor History Conferences/ Seminars	Lorna Barrow	Susan Cooke	Susan Wanless	Yes

The following positions were declared appointed by the meeting:

Australia Day/Celtic Council Event Liaison (included in Secretary role)	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Barbara Gurney	Yes
Asst Webmaster	Chris Lindesay	Susan Cooke	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Pipe Bands Associations Liaison	Vacant			
Royal Country Dancing Liaison	Nea MacCulloch	Malcolm Buchanan	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Events Lighting & Sound Coordinator	Bruce Thomas	Barbara Gurney	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
SAHC Aboriginal Liaison	Shirley Lomas	By agreement	By agreement	Yes
SAHC Victorian Liaison	Vacant			
SAHC South Australia Liaison	John MacNeil	Susan Cooke	Geoff Davidson	Yes
SAHC Tasmania Liaison	Frank McGregor	Malcolm Buchanan	Nea MacCulloch	
SAHC Brisbane Liaison	Graeme Jardine-Vidgen	Susan Cooke	Judy Buchanan	Yes
SAHC Perth Liaison	Vacant			
SAHC Upper Hunter Valley (Aberdeen) Liaison	Charles Cooke	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
SAHC New England Liaison	Liz Munro	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Yes
SAHC Manning Valley Liaison	Eric Richardson	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
SAHC Central Coast Liaison	Geoff Davidson	Nea MacCulloch	Susan Cooke	Yes
SAHC Southern Highlands Liaison	Vacant			Yes
SAHC Northern Rivers (Maclean) Liaison	Liz Munro	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Yes
ACT Events Convenor	Malcolm Buchanan	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Cars Park & Kogarah Historical Society Liaison	Jan Magrath	Nea MacCulloch	Susan Cooke	Yes
Scottish Cairn, Mosman Liaison	Malcolm Buchanan	Nea MacCulloch	Judy Buchanan	Yes
Commun Gaishlig Astrailia Liaison	Susan Cooke	Nea MacCulloch	Malcolm Buchanan	Yes
Australian Gaelic Singers Liaison	Robin McKenzie-Hunter	Malcolm Buchanan	Nea MacCulloch	Yes
SAHC Celtic Council of Australia Representatives	Malcolm Buchanan Nea MacCulloch Susan Cooke (alt)			

## 8. Declaration of Election

The Chair declared all positions filled as agreed and recorded.

**Motion:** That the filling of remaining vacancies be considered by the Committee.

Moved: Geoff Davidson, Seconded: Susan Cooke, Carried

## 9. General Business in accordance with the Articles

There was no general business received by the due date.

The AGM closed at 7:25pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_