



Monaro Rail Trail Inc
1149 Steeple Flat Road
Nimmitabel NSW 2631

Mini Newsletter September 2016

MRT Annual General Meeting

The first AGM and elections were held on 30 August at the Alpine Hotel Cooma.

President; Mary Walters (Cooma locality and rail corridor neighbor) Back right in photo.

Vice President ; Cate Spencer (Michelago resident and looks after Michelago and Bredbo areas) Front right in photo.

Secretary; Michael Daniel (Nimmitabel resident) Left in photo.

Treasurer; Andrew Carter (Canberra resident). Other committee members are Will Jardine (Nimmitabel resident) and Richard Horobin (Canberra resident)



The past 12 months

This has been a busy time for the committee as we inform the Monaro communities about the meaning and benefits of a recreational cycle way along the rail corridor. Brochures were distributed via village businesses, informative presentations were given to many groups including Lions and Rotary, to Chambers of Commerce and we had a stall at the Michelago Mayfair and Nimmitabel Open Garden Day. Our Facebook page fielded some wonderful videos and photos. Also interviews with local ABC radio in Canberra and Bega helped spread the word about the MRT.

This has also been a time for us to assess how much support there is for the MRT at the grass roots level and it is really pleasing to report that there is strong support for the proposal. However the need to engage with key stakeholders such as neighbouring landholders remains an important task.

Looking ahead we will be working to broaden the focus of our activity. Informing the communities will continue but we will also be seeking to engage with an agency that can take our discussions to planners at a regional level.

Friends of Monaro Rail Trail membership renewal

To those many people who contributed financially to our association we say thanks. Your support funded printing of brochures and purchase of our fold up banner. This year to expand our information flow we will be setting up a web site and your continued membership will help fund the hosting of the site. A \$5 payment by 31 October will renew your membership.

Bank details for EFT payment

Account name Monaro Rail Trail

BSB : 801009 Account number: 64521244

Cheques can be mailed to

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