



GVG ORGANISING COMMITTEE 2016

Minutes

Held in Greenwich Preschool Hall, 46 Greenwich Road, Greenwich

On Tuesday – 16 February, 2016. at 7.10pm

In attendance: Sandy Calder, Michael Armarti, Lynne Spencer, Anna-Lise Sewell, Anne-Marie Sirca, Jon Stormont, Kirsty Oliver, Ben Wilson, Mark Merrick, Stephen Shepherd, Jane Marquard, Richard Hawkins, Peter Walton, Jon Tindall, Maddison Bates-Willis, Fiona Ell, Dennis Karp (Anarchists); Chris Rossiter & Midi Stormont (Engineers); Chris Scougall (Governators); Briony Black (Heroes); Michael Ryland & Leanne Keene (Natives); Bede Thompson (Tribe); David Brookes-Horn & David Karpin (east ward councillors); Karen Chisholm, David Pumphrey.

Item	Discussion/Resolution
1.	<p>Confirm and welcome new committee members & team captains. See attached listing. Apologies Craig Stafford, Ray Karlake, Regan Bull, Pam Palmer, Glenda Cameron Strange. Chris Scougall (Governators) still looking for a replacement captain (coordinator) Action: could all of the committee keep this in mind and where possible try to find someone suitable to take over the roll. The success of the games depends on 8 strong teams.</p>
2.	<p>Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting of the GVGOC 2016 on 28/1/16 Proposed Michael Ryland seconded Jon Tindall- Thank you</p>
3.	<p>Presentation of Logo A selection of 4 suggested logos were shown to those present, discussion of the pros and cons of each took place. A vote of hands was taken with the result being the 2nd option being favored with the option of the first font for the written portion. Thank you so much once again to Mandy Harrison for her inspired designs for this the 8th village games.</p>
4.	<p>Confirmation of Date for Games the Games to be held over the weekend of Friday 2nd December – Sunday 4th December 2016</p>
5.	<p>Acknowledge and suggest amendments to Games objectives & GVGOC Charter The GVGOC charter, Games Attributes and Participant eligibility rules were reviewed and discussed and agreed to be the way forward for the GVG2016.</p> <p>attributes The Greenwich Village Games is a unique community experience, the success of which depends on the spirit in which the teams and events come together. The events themselves should express this spirit and the most successful events have been those which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are events predominantly of skill rather than of chance 2. Are played between teams which include a cross-section of ages and both genders 3. Are conducted as a relay, with each team member's achievement contributing to the team's final result 4. Accordingly, do not directly pit single competitors against other single competitors 5. Require teams to interact with all or most other teams in the course of the event, either simultaneously or in heats. A team should not do well simply because the one team they played against was weak. 6. Are safe for competitors and spectators alike 7. Are accessible to spectators forming a significant proportion of Games' attendees 8. Are unlikely (as a result of criteria 1 to 4) to comprise mainstream sports playable under usual rules on any other weekend of the quadrennial. <p>Participant Eligibility Rules <i>Captains are to ensure that the spirit of the Games is protected. Teams are strongly discouraged from targeting an elite sports person with no connection to the area.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any person who works, resides, attends school, church or a social/sporting activity (sailing, soccer, etc.) in Greenwich or Northwood. 2. The immediate family (siblings, parents and grandparents of any person in 1.). 3. Any member of LCC Social Club and the member's immediate family 4. Boyfriends, girlfriends and partners of any person in 1-3, but not the families of boyfriends, etc., 5. Any previous participant in the Games, regardless of their present residence or workplace. 6. Any resident of Lane Cove who has a special affinity with Greenwich. <p>The Charter is to be changed to increase the membership of the OC from 10 to 15 this is to reflect the OC taking greater responsibility for registration and marketing of the games than in prior years. It shall now read:</p> <p>5 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE</p> <p>Whilst the Committee is a permanent Committee of Lane Cove Council, the membership is appointed for the duration of a specific staging of the Greenwich Village Games. The members are appointed in the following manner:</p> <p>General Committee Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to fifteen [15] Greenwich residents with an interest in volunteering their time drawn from expressions of interest to Council. <p>Team Captains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to three [3] individuals to represent each of the eight [8] Greenwich Village Games teams, as nominated by the membership of each team.

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	<p>Council Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All three East Ward Councillors.
6.	<p>Decide on Games format Specifically, 3 events were discussed, the running, the cycling, and the canoes. It was acknowledged that participants really enjoyed these events and they were seen as “blue Ribbon Events” David Pumphrey the OC organizer of the Running and Cycling at the last games, presented his feedback of the events, that they were by far the most expensive events to run, despite the effort that went into alerting residents to the road closures some were still not aware, this resulted in some of the SES volunteers being abused with did not reflect well on the community. From a health and safety point of view, the cycling in particular was an accident waiting to happen and the injuries that did occur were predominately the result of those unused to the skills involved and unfamiliarity with the bikes. David also mentioned that these events being away from the oval do not have many spectators and in many cases the competitors are not representative of the community as some competitors do more than one leg.</p> <p>The meeting resolved to abandon the road racing but felt that the events should remain but be configured to take place on the oval, perhaps using only the smallest size bike (novelty) or include riding to the top of St Vincent’s Rd, but walking the bike back to the oval. Action: Mark Merrick (OC events) to report back with alternatives for cycling and running events. Canoes: this was the next most expensive event; it was resolved to keep this event but reconfigure the course as per the recommendations from 2012. Builders (Jon Tindall and Fiona Ell) have a team member who may be interested in championing this event Action: Mark Merrick in consultation to reconfigure the event to make it more visible from BCO and safer. A Champion for the event to be found and work to commence acquiring the maritime license etc....</p>
7.	<p>Finance 15 min Setting of Budget Modeling of Cash flow Setting of participation fees It was noted that once again participation costs can be a burden for young families attending their first games GST Treatment Bank signatories Apologies from Craig Stafford held over to the next meeting</p>
9.	<p>Consents & Permissions (LCC Liaison) Action: Sandy Calder and Lynne Spencer to schedule a meeting with Craig Wrightson General Manager of Lane Cove Council. Submitting the charter for the GVG 2016 and detailing how the council can assist us with the event.</p>
10.	<p>Sponsors The idea of sponsorship was discussed however many felt it would change the games. Mention was made of Telstra may put up a free WIFI cell as promotion. A policy for sponsorship of acceptance and acknowledgement but not active promotion, should continue.</p>
8.	<p>Marketing/Recruitment/Team sizes Marketing strategy Social media Design of participation form Web registration Online/EFT payment</p> <p>The new committee has a number of people devoted to recruitment, marketing, data bases websites and social media. The discrepancy in team sizes was acknowledged, and marketing will be pitched at “join the games” not team recruitment. Team placement liaisons will place new recruits into their optimal team. Action: Team captains to supply a first draft demographic map of their expected participants in 2016 for the recruitment team to place people optimally.</p> <p>Teams of 180 to 200 active participants are thought desirable as Governorators even with 115 participants struggled to find sufficient participants over the weekend.</p>
12.	<p>Work through recommendations in 2012 GVGOC Final Report</p> <p>The rest of the meeting was spent discussing and acknowledging the recommendations of the OC’s 2012 final report to LCC. These recommendations will be addressed by the committee as we progress through the administration tasks. Action: a Table will be presented to OC members detailing their responsibilities to these recommendations by no later than the next meeting (Lynne & Sandy)</p> <p>Suggested New events</p>

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	<p>Children's Tug of war – no</p> <p>Wheelie bin race- no (unsafe)</p> <p>Race walking- no (too hard to marshal and police)</p> <p>Boules rather than Bowls, 6 a side Football, Tennis, Friday night catering away from BCO & a GVG Car boot sale as a way to raise money for the teams (garage sale Trail day is 22nd October 2016) all considered good ideas</p> <p>Action: champions for these events needed</p> <p>Action: Team Captain to review what events their team managed last year if they would like to continue managing those events they should contact Mark Merrick before the next meeting, otherwise Mark will allocate from a hat new team managers.</p>
13.	<p>Other Business</p> <p>It was thought desirable that a document sharing site be set up</p> <p>Action: can anyone do this?</p>
14.	<p>Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 22nd March</p>
Close	9.30pm