**COONABARABRAN ROTARY**

**DROUGHT COMMITTEE**

Thurs 1 July 2021

**MINUTES**

**Started 4.30pm**

**Present:** Ian Bell, Marie Knight, Julie Shinton, Jo Wilkin, John Sawyer, Lindsay Wilkin

**Apologies**: Laurie Dawson, (Bob Guichelaar)

**Assessment of current financials**: $4,000 from District Disaster Fund + $4094.21 from previous sources = Total of $8,094.21

**Guidelines of District Disaster Grant**: ‘*Drought projects should support and strengthen the local community (eg community gatherings, workshops, BBQ’s for affected groups and community support groups) rather than the provision of goods.’*

**Discussion of ideas:**

1. Further similar dinners at venues already serviced - Purlewaugh, Bugaldie, Yaminbah, Warton/Belah Creek. These could be worthwhile holding again., beginning in Spring.

Other possible venues include:

 Timor Road - Ian to investigate (try Mal, Bob, Hugh, Rob D, Procter)

 Dandry - Marie to investigate (try Sue Brookhouse)

 Ulamambri - Jo to investigate (try Jo Enks, Rebecca Pickette)

 Mowrock - John to investigate (try Rebecca Moxham)

2. Community breakfasts - see proposal put at Club Assembly - investigate this possibility further (Laura Hartley, Kellie Nash, Jen Hunt could help)

3. Offer outside groups financial support to undertake their drought recovery community activities - advertise, ask for one page submissions with budgets, would need receipts of money spent, brief report - this idea put on hold for the time being.

4. A community walk / BBQ in Coonabarabran to:

- celebrate the centenary of Rotary in Australia

- connect with the community

 - engage a younger audience with Rotary

Jo to investigate further.

5. Community dance with Macca - Marie to investigate.

6. Recovery breakfast on the weekend of the Dark Sky Awakens festival long weekend in October - Julie to investigate.

**Other Ideas may emerge as we continue.**

**Finished 6.15pm**

**Next Meeting:** Thursday 29 July at Wilkins