



# AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

(N.S.W. State Unit)

MINUTES of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at 222 Pitt Street, Sydney on Monday 19th April, 1999 at 10.30 a.m.

OPENING: The President, Rev. Elizabeth Walker welcomed members and especially Mrs. Padma Ebenezer from Sri Lanka (ACWC Executive Member) and Mrs. Filipaino, new Congregational member of Council (attending for the first time) and led devotions based on Luke 24-13 - "Jesus and the Walk to Emmaus". She opened the meeting with prayer that God would guide and direct us.

PRESENT: 42 as recorded in Attendance Sheets.

APOLOGIES: Major Joan Tong, Major Glenys Holley, Helen Stutchbury, Bev Elliott, Gwen Jones (YWCA) and others as recorded.

The MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of 20th April, 1998 having been read at the Council Meeting on June 15th, 1998 and initialled were confirmed on motion of Ruth Moore and Judith Baker. Carried.

## REPORTS:

PRESIDENT Rev. Elizabeth Walker read from her report and especially thanked Peg Blake (Past President) for her leadership when standing in for her on several occasions. She thanked Jan Harrison for her efficiency and helpfulness as Secretary and thanked all members of Executive for their co-operation and support.

Lucelle King had resigned during the year to retire with her husband to Forster and we miss her very much.

Two of our oldest members, Leah Pickering and Brigadier Mabel Ward had died and we give thanks for their service and dedication.

SECRETARY Jan Harrison spoke to her report and mentioned our 60th Anniversary celebration, a very successful and happy occasion. Lucelle King will always be remembered as we sing our Theme Song composed by her - "We being many are one in the Lord" and we wish her a happy retirement. We were pleased to send Kayleen Manton to Bangkok to the ACWC Conference. Jan thanked Rev. Elizabeth Walker and Peg Blake for their encouragement and Joan Tong and Mina Whybourne for their assistance.

TREASURER Marie Majoor presented her Report which will be printed. The year went very well - members have been very generous in their contributions.

Reports were received on the motion of Peg Blake and Dss. Thora Thomas. Carried. All reports will be printed in Annual Report, including Fellowship of Least Coin, Winifred Kiek Scholarship and Branch Reports.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1999/2000:

Members endorsed the appointment of the following:

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| PRESIDENT:                   | Rev. Elizabeth Walker | Uniting        |
| PAST PRESIDENT:              | Mrs. Peg Blake        | Presbyterian   |
| SECRETARY & PRESIDENT ELECT: | Mrs. Jan Harrison     | Anglican       |
| ASSISTANT SECRETARY:         | Major Joan Tong       | Salvation Army |
| MINUTE SECRETARY:            | Mrs. Mina Whybourne   | Anglican       |
| TREASURER:                   | Mrs. Marie Majoor     | Catholic       |
| FELLOWSHIP OF LEAST COIN     | Mrs. Shirley Wells    | Baptist        |
| WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP    | Mrs. Edith Ridge      | Uniting        |
| SPECIAL DAYS                 | Dss. Irene Carder     | Uniting        |
| FUNCTIONS:                   | Major Eileen Holley   | Salvation Army |
| MEMBERSHIP/PASTORAL CARE     | Dss. Heather Badgery  | Anglican       |
| PUBLICITY:                   | Major Glenys Holley   | Salvation Army |
| SOCIAL ISSUES:               | Miss Heather Reid     | Girls Brigade  |
| NEWSETTE:                    | Mrs. Beryl McLaughlin | Anglican       |
|                              | Miss Elsie Cox        | Congregational |
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| CONFERENCE:                  | Major Joan Tong       | Salvation Army |

AUDITOR: Members approved the re-appointment of Mr. Frank Fryirs AASA as auditor and it was moved Marie Majoor seconded Ruth Moore that a gift of \$50 (voucher or cheque) be made to Mr. Fryirs in appreciation. Carried.

NEWSETTE MANAGER: Mrs. Carmel Emmett has resigned from this position - gratitude was expressed to Carmel for her long involvement in this position - letter to be written. The position is to be filled at some future date.

STOCK SECRETARY: Vacant for time being.

COMMITTEES:

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP: Edith Ridge (Convener), Rev. Alison Todd, Mina Whybourne

FELLOWSHIP OF LEAST COIN: Shirley Wells (Convener), Joan Tong, Ruth Moore.

SPECIAL DAYS: Irene Carder (Convener), Margaret Jessup, Doris Haberfield, Elsie Cox, Avis Stretton, Heather Badgery, Thora Thomas, Vi Minty.

PUBLICITY: Glenys Holley (Convener), Irene Carder.

FUNCTIONS: Eileen Holley (Convener) Marie Majoor, Cela Cooper, Joyce Liddell

SOCIAL ISSUES: Heather Reid (Convener) Judith Cayzer, Cela Cooper, Marie Craddock

MEMBERSHIP/PASTORAL CARE: Heather Badgery (Convener) Judith Baker.

NEWSETTE: Beryl McLaughlin (Editor) Marie Majoor, Heather Badgery, Heather Reid, Olive Beverley.

A.C.W.C.: Joan Tong, Shirley Wells, Heather Reid, Marie McCann

DELEGATES TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS:

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN: Shirley Wells, Helen Richardson.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Ruth Smith, Judith Baker, Margaret Jessup, Marie McCann.

NSW ECUMENICAL COUNCIL: Marie McCann (Observer)

NSW COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN'S FILMS & TELEVISION: Alison Todd, Lily Hanlon (if meetings held in Sydney)

PAN PACIFIC & SOUTH EAST ASIA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION: Marie Craddock, Marie Majoor.

The President expressed thanks to those members representing Australian Church Women at the various organisations and closed the Meeting at 11.30 a.m., the business of the monthly Council meeting following.

INITIALED .....

21 June 1999

CONFIRMED .....

17 April 2000