



**GLEN WAVERLEY & DISTRICT  
INTER CHURCH COUNCIL  
LEADERSHIP TEAM**

**President: Jan Clear** (Glen Waverley Uniting Church)  
Crn. Kingsway & Bogong St., Glen Waverley



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**AGM 2019 - Minutes**

Held at Pat & Tony Hodges home, 6 Harptree Close, Rowvile

Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.30 pm

**Present:** Jan Clear, Pat & Tony Hodges, Francisco Disilvestro, Joe & Anthea Persico, John Hurst, Agnes de Roza

**Apologies:** Ray Lamerand

**Welcome:** Jan welcomed those present and opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by The Lord's Prayer

**Minute of previous meeting:** accepted John Hurst, seconded Joe Persico

**President report:** Jan Clear

**President's Report for Glen Waverley Inter Church Council AGM Wednesday 20 November. 2019.**

Four years ago, I took on this position-hard to believe- the time has flown. I am honoured to work and be supported by such a wonderful group of people whose faith is real to them and who want to share the Gospel with others within our local community. This year has been difficult with some health issues of my own and Dad's health issues. I feel that I haven't always been available to do as much as I should but I know that I can call on you to help by taking on extra responsibilities.

During December I drove up Springvale Road frequently and had a quick glance at our Christmas board in Central Reserve, when I was stopped at the lights. What a great position for our board. I felt that the board was an excellent witness to the local community as I'm sure it will be this year.

I think that I need to make a more concerted effort to interest people in joining our committee-maybe some extra coffees !!!!! I haven't managed to visit churches and ministerial teams as I planned to. Hopefully our circumstances will be less chaotic early next year and I can make these visits a first priority. After our AGM may be a good time.

In March, I attended the World Day of Prayer at Glen Waverley Uniting Church. Although the numbers attending were not huge, it was an inspiring service for those who were there and it was interesting to learn more about Slovenia.

Stations of the Cross was again a good experience and the speakers and actors did a great job. I think that it is a good way to witness to others within our community.

Thanks Joe for continuing to remind people about Multifaith gatherings and supporting the

participants. I hope to go back to these gatherings next year. In March, I attended the Harmony Dinner. I enjoyed listening to the speakers and having the opportunity to talk to people from other faiths.

The Ecumenical visits at the end of May were worthwhile, once again. I find it hard to get volunteers but those who visit another church or represent our own church find it a worthwhile experience.

As we approach the Advent season leading up to Christmas, I pray that you and your loved ones may experience peace and blessings during the build up and on Christmas Day as we celebrate Jesus' birth. I also pray that 2020 may be a wonderful year for you with new experiences, adventures and good health and that you may come back in February with renewed energy and enthusiasm. May God bless you all.

### **Treasures report**

- Only 4 churches have responded, John sent today a new letter to the churches to remind about the contribution.
- Payments: sound system, sign
- Account Balance: 270AUD,
- VCC subscriptions, Jan signed Check.
- Churches can transfer to our account, BSB and ACC no.

### **GWICC Positions 2019**

The following were re-elected unopposed:

President	Jan Clear	– Francisco Disilvestro moved, Pat Hodges seconded
Vice Presidents	Agnes De Roza, Joe Persico	– John Hurst moved, Anthea Persico seconded
Treasurer	John Hurst	– Jan Clear moved, Joe Persico seconded
Secretary	Francisco Disilvestro	– Joe Persico moved, John Hurst seconded.
Committee:	Pat & Tony Hodges, Anthea Persico	- Joe Persico moved, Jan Clear seconded.

### **Advertisement:**

- Web site ads have been performing well
- Letter to be sent to invite new participants

### **Christmas Sign:**

- To be installed Monday 16 December 8 am
- Organize with St. Leonards for the keys, try to get the keys on Sunday 15

### **Correspondence:**

- Invoice from VCC

### **Interfaith / Interchurch:**

- The Interfaith council was incorporated, Harry Truman is secretary
- 28 November, speaker about family violence, starts at 6:00 pm, presentation 6:30pm.

## **Church Happenings:**

Jan Clear:

- Church of Christ – Christmas tree, Uniting Church too, starts the weekend of the 29<sup>th</sup> November

Agnes de Roza:

- Sunday: raised \$2600 for Philippines
- Thanksgiving mass
- Carols 7<sup>th</sup> December

Francisco Disilvestro:

- Bereavement Mass
- International Ladies Luncheon, Friar Alessandro

John Hurst:

- 15 Dec, Lessons and Carols
- 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2:00 pm Monash Coral, Holy Saviour, World premiere of Gloria, By Oakleigh leader of brass band

Pat Hodges:

- New Minister starting on January, Fr. Phillip, coming from St. Marks Forest Hill

Tony Hodges:

- Carols in a couple of weeks,
- St Vincent de Paul, Christmas appeal, under 4000 \$,
- Tree will be up on 1<sup>st</sup> December

## **Ecumenical celebrations:**

- No meeting required in February 2020

## **Meeting next year:**

- First Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of February (5 Feb 2020) St. Christopher's

Meeting concluded at 9:10pm