**ICOM AGM 2023**

**Attendance register**

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| **Individual members** | **Membership No.** |
| Justine van Mourik | 59838 |
| Toner Stevenson |  |
| Wendy Lugg |  |
| Peter Mascini | 134356 |
| Louise Douglas |  |
| Andrew Utley |  |
| Judith Hickson |  |
| Margie Eberle |  |
| Sharon Williams |  |
| Elissa Blair |  |
| Sharon Babbage |  |
| Maxine Holden |  |
| Youji Shih |  |
| Carol Cartwright |  |
| Julian Bickersteth |  |
| Lynda Kelly |  |
| Alex Marsden |  |
| Elizabeth Marsden |  |
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| **Institutional Members** |  |
| South Australian Museum |  |
| Australian National Maritime Museum |  |
| AMaGA |  |
| Australian Museum |  |

**ICOM AGM**

17 May 2023 12.45pm Mulinbinba Room, Newcastle City Hall

**Present**

Alex Marsden (chair)

Justine van Mourik (minutes)

Toner Stevenson

Wendy Lugg

Peter Mascini

Louise Douglas

Andrew Utley

Judith Hickson

Margie Eberle

Sharon Williams

Elissa Blair

Sharon Babbage

Maxine Holden

Youji Shih

Julian Bickersteth

Lynda Kelly

Elizabeth Marsden

Carol Cartwright (returning officer)

**Apologies**

Mat Trinca

Vicki Northey

Charlotte Galloway

Roger Garland

**Minutes – Annual General Meeting of ICOM Australia**

Alex Marsden opened the meeting at 1.00pm.

With only 22 individual and institutional members present, a quorum was not reached.

Alex Marsden formally adjourned the meeting at 1.02pm

The AGM will now be held in one week’s time at the National Museum of Australia on Wednesday 24 May at 2.00pm. While this meeting will be held in person and online, online attendance will not count towards a quorum.

If no quorum is present at the meeting, it will be closed, and another AGM will be held in 30 minutes time (i.e. 2.30pm) provided three members are present.

The meeting agenda proceeded without a quorum present.

**Minutes of the AGM held on 3 June 2022 at 4.30pm**

No changes were recorded.

**Outgoing Chair’s report**

Alex read the outgoing Chair’s report from Mat Trinca. Highlights included the new ICOM definition of Museums, the new ICOM Strategic Plan (both global and for Australia) and the successful collaboration with ICOM in Singapore.

**Financial Statements**

Alex reported that the financial position was very sound and as a result the Board would be looking toward areas where we could pay for additional administrative support including managing memberships. Expenditure items of note included the support for the keynote speaker at the AMaGA conference and the travelling fellowships.

The Financial statements were tabled without comment and no additional resolutions or actions were received.

**Strategic Plan**

Alex presented the draft Strategic Plan for the ICOM Australia Board to Members present and encouraged them to submit feedback on the plan, calling on Members to help develop the priorities for the future. No comments were received from the floor.

**Board membership**

Alex called for nominations for new Board Members to be submitted prior to the AGM in one week’s time. She noted that Mat Trinca will be co-opted to the Board as an observer as he assumes the Chair of Blue Shield Australia in June.

**International Museum Day**

Alex reminded Members that it is International Museum Day tomorrow on Thursday 18 May and encouraged them and their institutions to promote it on social media and within their networks. The ICOM website has an interactive map for members to add their museum and activities on to and Australasia is not currently well represented. Alex also spoke briefly about the program of activities with ICOM Singapore which has been very successful and is expected to continue into the future.

**Other Business**

Julian Bickersteth reminded Members about the upcoming meeting of the ICOMCC in September in Valencia, Spain. Australia will be well represented with scholarly articles on the Lismore floods and conservation of Rock Art.

Toner Stevenson reminded Members about the UMAC conference to be held at Chau Chak Wing Museum in August. In addition to the AV/Interactive conference to be held at St Andrews, there is currently a call for papers until 31 May.

Toner also indicated there would be a series of Zoom webinars for members on how to use the ICOM website effectively. Also, Members were reminded that ICOM had decided not to raise fees this year.

Carol Cartwright commended ICOM and highlighted the benefits of membership when travelling overseas particularly in Europe.

Justine van Mourik informed the Members that ICOM intends to survey all its current Australian institutional members to find out what benefits they offer for ICOM members in order to better promote this to Members and within Member institutions. She asked that Members contact ICOM with both their good and bad stories and feedback when using their ICOM membership so we can promote the good news stories and investigate any issues.

**Meeting closed at 1.42pm**

**Next Meeting:**

2.00 pm AEST Wednesday 24 May, National Museum of Australia, Canberra/online link to be provided.