



MILLINERY AUSTRALIA

## Members Meeting Minutes

**HELD: Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**7.30pm AEDT**

(Melb/Syd - Daylight Savings)

Time	Item
19:32	<b>1. Welcome</b>
	<b>2. Guest Speaker – Katie Vale (British Millinery Association)</b> Katie provided a great summary of the establishment of the BMA during Covid; its structure; membership numbers; and what it offers to its members in-person and online.
	<b>3. Apologies</b> Chris Mullane, Kim Johnson, Liza Georgia, Wendy Scully, Kathleen Watson, Elizabeth Hemsley, Lauren Richie, Jo Ramsay, Rebecca Share, Catherine Storm, Fiona Cooper, Sue Walsh, Rose Hudson, John Westwood-Hill, Georgia Skelton
	<b>4. Passing of February 2024 Meeting Minutes</b> Minutes Passed: First – Michele Cameron, Second – Mary Mohr
	<b>5. Treasurer Reports</b> 5.1 Balance 5.2 P&L Reports Passed & Payments Ratified: First – Louise Macdonald, Second – Michele Cameron
	<b>6. President's Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Confirmed the Sponsors for this year's Design and Student Awards;</li><li>• Confirmed the prizes for both the Design and Student Awards;</li><li>• Confirmed that Michele Cameron is again generously donating the prize for the Mary Lock Encouragement Award;</li><li>• Confirmed that the link for entry will go live on the 27<sup>th</sup> a summary of the sponsored prizes.</li></ul>
	<b>7. Vice President's Report</b> None presented
	<b>8. Secretary's Report</b> 8.1 New Members – Welcome to Kathryn Lee (NSW); JD Mannington (VIC); James King (NSW); Kim Johnson (NSW)  8.2 New Membership Application Forms Confirmation that the new Application Forms are now up on the Website. Thank you to all who took the time to contribute to the new forms, especially Rose H, Serena L and Penelope G for providing their invaluable input of skills requirements from a TAFE/ teaching perspective.

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	<p><b>9. Awards &amp; Gala Sub-Committee</b>            9.1 Design Award – Penelope Gervaise            9.2 Gala – Penelope &amp; Nicholette Pottier            9.3 Student Award – Georgia Skelton – no update provided</p> <p>Penelope confirmed that the location will in Ultimo; closing date for entry is the 21<sup>st</sup> May; pieces to be in Sydney by the 21<sup>st</sup> June.</p>
	<p><b>10. Hat Walk</b>            10.1 Update by State            10.1.1 Adelaide – Jo Honan (Bonnetry Hats)            10.1.2 Melbourne – Kelly Dart-Fagan (mybeauxbandeau) &amp; Sarah Mensforth (Mensforth Millinery)            10.1.3 Sydney – Neil Grigg &amp; Kathryn Lee (Kathryn Lee Millinery)            10.1.4 Queensland – Wendy Diggles (Belle Folie)</p> <p>Updates were provided by state reps. Confirmation that the advertising postcards are being distributed. Encouragement for members to post pictures of themselves wearing hats and spruiking the Hat Walk.</p>
	<p><b>11. General Business – Open to All Members</b>            11.1.1 Michele Cameron asked about the opening of Hall of Fame nominations – Possum confirmed this is to be discussed at the upcoming Committee Meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> April;            11.1.2 Jo Ramsay has been working on some Aprons for purchase by members to recognize and celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – more to come;            11.1.3 Joanne Cook confirmed that the Hawkesbury Show is coming up, for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, with entries closing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Categories of Bridal, Racewear, Recycled Materials; Theme – Steampunk. Details to go out in the Members Monthly email;            11.1.4 Sandy Forrester has again put the call out for MAA archival materials. Urgent that this be sent through to Sandy ASAP.            11.1.5 Congratulations to all place getters of the Sydney Show.</p>
	<p><b>12. Next Meeting</b>            Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30PM AEDT</p>
20:47	<p><b>13. Meeting Close</b></p>