



Committee and General meeting, 9th November 2009. Minutes.

1. Welcome and apologies:

Present: Lynton Bond, Maryke Booth, Tom Baker, Jim Arnold, Sandy Lloyd, Margaret Piper, and Andy Westcott (Coordinator), Stephen Skinner (Waterwatch Coordinator).

Apologies: John Bruggeman, Bruce Taloni.

2. **Minutes of general meeting on 12th October:** Tom Baker requested that in the review of Floriade mention be added of the proposal to have the Catchment Film and the Catchment 3D Model at the next Floriade, as well as emphasis on more and visible signage, and that we need to be in the magazine. Motion that the minutes be accepted proposed Booth, seconded Baker, passed.

3. **Business arising:** PayPal has been organised for acceptance of donations, although not perfect, as donor cannot specify a regular amount to be deducted as contribution [there was also a discussion on various forms of spruiking for donations]; the card packs have arrived, RRP \$15.00; Justin Murphy has been difficult to locate in the last month.

4. **Correspondence:** [see Andy] It was discussed as to whether it would be in our interest to do as other organisations do and send out invitations to the AGM, in the light of this evening's quiet attendance.

5. Reports:

President (see Appendix 1) mentioned involving CRC for Invasive Animals in a Workshop to launch the Pest Animals Pack.

Vice President: discussed memberships, and funding by NCA, GA...QCC for ½ position (= \$600 +GST a month paid to QCC) as well as radio opportunities.

Treasurer: \$162808.00 in bank, and see balance sheets (Appendix 2) still having occasional trouble with MYOB and changeable entries.

Coordinator: (see Appendix 3) It was noted that it may be to our advantage to send out invitations to the Annual General Meeting. Frogwatch appeared to generate interest, the Coordinator and the Waterwatch Coordinator went to the first creek down from the Tannery in Beard, and heard four or more kinds of frogs. Captains Flat market day was good.

Business arising: contact Captains Flat Community Association and Landcare about attending the market in September 2010 to advertise Frogwatch, and then again in November for Waterwatch/Landcare.

Waterwatch Coordinator: (see Appendix 4)

Committee members:

Tom Baker (Queanbeyan Landcare) and Lynton Bond have been involved in *Envirolearn*. This included an Aprasia survey of Fairlane Reserve, the conservation park (and memorial to Peter Barrer) on River Drive at Barracks Flat, which turned up (sorry about the bad pun) large numbers of the lizards.

Jim Arnold (Friends of Aranda Bushland) enjoyed and reported back on the 'Soils & Truffles' day,; Yass was good too; and the Majura area group have a standing invitation to us to participate in their activities.

Maryke Booth (as Royalla Landcare) said the Royalla AGM would be after the bird walk on the 21st November; Southern Trails magazine (from Southern Tablelands 4WD Club) features much environmentally conscious material and is worth a read, and Val Wiseman has some input.

6. Business

Fundraising: the receipt problem...just a plain receipt, or a pretty thankyou and receipt, or a dedicated receipt book with duplicate copies (get it printed...with 'With Compliments')

Motion: That pricing and availability of receipt books be investigated, in the expectation of using them for our donors. Proposed M. Booth, seconded L. Bond, passed by acclamation

ACTEW Meeting: we are all invited to attend Wednesday's UMCCC meeting to hear from ACTEW on the change to the positioning of the Murrumbidgee to Googong water transfer inlet pipe. Sandy asked that we make the effort, as it is important.

7. **Other Business:**

Vanessa Keyzer's ANCP 'grasses' training day, discussion as to why the MCG should not cover the costs and whether Vanessa counts it as a work day. It was decided that the costs be covered and the day be considered a training day as part of her engagement with MCG.

Motion: Prepose that Vanessa's training day be part of paid work hours. Bond, Lloyd passed by acclamation.

Queanbeyan Landcare have concerns about Edwin Land Parkway; there will be offsets, and there have been discussion of underpasses for animals and these are to have appropriate fencing. Ongoing discussions with RTA, and Qbn Landcare, Wickerslack Lane residents and the Monaro region. Tom predicted that this will come up again and again in the near future.

8. **Meeting closed** at 5:56 pm. Next Meeting Monday 14th December, at 4:00 pm in Room 10, Cassidy Arcade, 72-76 Monaro St, Queanbeyan.

Lynton Bond, President

Stephen Skinner, on behalf of John Bruggeman