

Barrabool Hills Landcare Group

AGM Minutes

19<sup>th</sup> August, 2015-09-07

Gnarwarre Tennis Pavilion

1. Welcome

2. Present

Kaye Rodden, Stephen and Lena Murphy, Geoff and Joan Anson, Sally and Anthony Jones, Denis Richards, Judy Cohn, Deborah and Stan Filipis, Ian Kelly, Trevor and Christa Jones, Ric Walter, Tony Woolford, , Jim Seager and Rachel and Ruby Moon, Joan Lindross, Lyn George, Colin Henry, Bill Honey, Jenny Scovell.

3. Apologies

Brent Rodden, Julie Oatway, Graham Lee, Heike and Mark Dunn, Fiona East, Brien Cohn, Sheila Walter, Lachlan and Janet Graham, Neville and Judy Trotter, Peter Greig, Gayle Cameron, Di Richards, Mandy Coulson, John and Marie George, Sandy Cameron.

4. Visitors

Elissa Ashton Smith & Maxine Campbell ( Geelong Landcare Network), Mandy Baker, Jennifer Morrow & Andrew and Jill Stewart ( UBLN) , Linda Murray, Alan Dow

5. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> August 2014

Moved - Anthony Jones

Seconded – Dennis Richards

6. Business Arising

none

7. President's Report

Presented by Kaye Rodden, see copy attached.

Moved – Dennis Richards

Seconded – Ian Kelly

8. Treasurer's Report

Presented by Anthony Jones, for Gayle Cameron. See copy attached.

Moved – Ian Kelly

Seconded – Ric Walter

9. Election Of Office Bearers and Committee Members

a. Appointment of Casual Returning Officer

Maxine Campbell ( Geelong Landcare Network President) was appointed. She congratulated the group on the landscape changes that had occurred as a result of the group's activities, and the role model provided by the Barrabool Hills Landcare Group to other landcare groups in the region.

b. Committee of Management Elections.

The following appointments were made unopposed:

President – Kaye Rodden

Nominated - Ian Kelly

Seconded – Anthony Jones

Deputy President – Jim Seager

Nominated – Kaye Rodden

Seconded – Christa Jones

Secretary – Joan Anson

Nominated – Anthony Jones

Seconded – Kaye Rodden

Treasurer – Anthony Jones

Nominated – Dennis Richards

Seconded – Ian Kelly

Newsletter Editor – Geoff Anson

Nominated – Kaye Rodden

Seconded – Anthony Jones

Geelong Landcare Network Delegates – Geoff Anson and Ian Kelly

Nominated – Joan Anson

Seconded – Anthony Jones

Committee Members – Sally Jones, Christa Jones, Neville and Judy Trotter, Dennis Richards, Tony Woodford, Judy Cohn

10. Ordinary General Business

Kaye congratulated all elected office bearers on their successful appointment.

Bannockburn Stall for 5<sup>th</sup> September. Jim Seager has volunteered. We are looking for another volunteer.

Soil Action Plan. Mandy Coulson is ill tonight. Cannot be actioned tonight.

Trees at the community nursery. Jim stated that there were 2000 trees which need to be distributed and planted ASAP to members of the group. There are a lot of understory plants. Eucalypts are in short supply. Brent will send an email around asking for expressions of interest. Deadline end August. After that they will be allocated to projects.

Rabbit Cookbook. Aiming for release by Christmas. A subgroup to be formed. If you are interested please let Kaye know.

Sporting Shooters Association. They have certified shooters for free.

Serrated tussock. Jim reminded the group that it was critical to get spraying done in the next few weeks in order to kill the serrated tussock before it flowers and sets seed. He recommends inspecting your property. There was some discussion about the most effective treatment. Using new product, flupropanate pellets was suggested, Jim suggested that may be useful if spray drift is an issue. It needs rain to wash it into the root zone. We could look at it at our serrated tussock field day (Elissa). This field day will be repeated in other areas. The Surf Coast Shire is spraying roadsides. People should ring them if concerned.

Ecological Burns Information September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 Teasdale hall. The topic is about what we can learn from indigenous burning practices and if we can apply them locally. Dale Smithyman from Golden Plains Shire will talk about this "hot" topic.

Meeting closed at 9.30