



Meeting Minutes

PURPOSE:	Monthly Meeting				
DATE:	Wednesday 4 Feb 2009	TIME:	19:30-21:30	LOCATION:	6 Karri Court Gooseberry Hill
ATTENDEES:	Steve Gates, Tony and Margaret Fowler, Murray Ryall, Alan Evans, Elaine Sargent, Martin Pearce, Gary Warden				
APOLOGIES:	Darryl McCarthy (and for subsequent 10 weeks) and Bruce Glover				

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	WHO	WHEN
Opening	Meeting Opened at 19:50			
Previous Minutes	Acceptance of previous minutes dated 12 November 2008 Proposed: M Ryall; Seconded: T Fowler; Accepted: All			
Business Arising	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1 BGC – See General Business 2. 2 Access to BGC Brickworks Site – See General Business 3. 6&7 Meeting with James Traill – See President's Report 4. 8 Backyard Burning – Copy of draft policy received and forwarded to committee. Policy still to go to Bushfire Advisory Committee. 5. 10 Carry Forward 6. 11 Yongar Reserve – Covered under FOTE below 	Contact D McCarthy for copies of previous minutes for loading onto website	G Warden	28/2/09
Correspondence In	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Urban Bushland Council – advising membership for 2009 of \$30. Proposal to renew membership Proposed: M Fowler, Seconded: E Sargent Accepted: All 2. DEC Newsletter; 3. The Urban Bush Telegraph; 4. Bushland News; 5. CCWA – Invitation to participate in conservation week; NRPG AGM to be held 25 March to coincide with Conservation Week. 	Contact CCWA to suggest that CCWA President present to NRPG AGM as keynote.	Gary Warden	13/2/09

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Letter from Karen Britza looking for a survey of friends group activities during 2009. 7. Western Power's Powering Perth's Communities media release announcing the selection of Option 1 for tying in the gantry in Hacketts Gully. 			
Correspondence Out	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Letter to the Shire of Kalamunda supporting the proposal for a GM-free zone in Kalamunda. 2. Letter to Shire of Kalamunda regarding concerns over tree removal, high density residential developments, lighting for commercial and road developments, CEAC and sustainability committee. 			
President's Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. S Gates informed the committee of two meetings with James Traill. The shire CEO was briefed on the background to NRP, aims, actions inside and outside the shire, current concerns including SETS and current shire environmental staffing levels (J Traill indicated that would be looking to put in for full-time bush crew for next year's budget and asking all areas of the Shire to submit strategic plan for next five years which will drive yearly budgets, also exploring ways to increase funding for environmental budget) NRP suggested a voluntary environmental levy as part of rates notice. 2. Letter from Giles Glasson re CEAC – 13 nominations received. 	Send e-mail to James Traill advising critical work that needs to be done by the bush crew between now and July	S Gates	28/2/09
Treasurer's Report	<p>As at 28 November, balances in the NRP accounts were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 1 A/C \$1,228.87 • No 2 A/C \$1,231.88 			
Environmental Reserves Officer's Report	Nothing to report.			
Perth Biodiversity Project Steering Committee	Draft report out for review. NRP made comment. Final report now being awaited. G Glasson to provide feedback on status of NRP recommendations.	Follow up with G Glasson on status of NRP recommendations	S Gates	28/2/09
FOTE	<p>A Evans tabled a report from Steve Gibellini.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planting of sedges by Darling Range Sports College 	Follow up with Brett Menzel regarding permaculture open	G Warden	28/2/09

	<p>students at Yongar Reserve thanks to Craig Tawdry from EMRC who had left-over sedges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOTE is now an incorporated not-for-profit org. • NARA project being worked on in conjunction with CAPS Coolgardie. <p>The committee agreed to have a stall at the Carmel Sustainability Fair.</p>	garden in Kalamunda (in conjunction with Market)		
Darling Range Regional Park	Nothing to report			
Hawkvale	Nothing to report			
BGC Brickworks	Multiple phone calls to Sharyn Jackson's office have failed to elicit a response.			
Volunteer Hours	S Gates (Toornaart Creek): 2; E Sargent 10 (Poison Gully): 10; A & C Evans 4(Yongar): 4 ; T & M Fowler (Crumpet Creek): 3;			
General Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NRPG to consider working with FESA to review bushfires Act 1954 to amend bushland unfriendly aspects – carry forward. 2. AGM – It was agreed that the AGM would be held on Wednesday 25 March. Nominations for Office Holders are as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chair: G Warden (Proposed: S Gates, Seconded: M Fowler); b. Vice-Chair: S Gates (Proposed: E Sargent, Seconded: T Fowler); c. Secretary: D McCarthy (Proposed: M Ryall, Seconded: M Fowler); d. Treasurer: M Fowler (Proposed: M Ryall, Seconded: S Gates); e. Committee: E Sargent, M Pearce, T Fowler; f. Co-optees: M Ryall, A Evans 3. Website: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Working on a “members only” section. Common userid and password for entire 	<p>Arrange for logistics of AGM</p> <p>Check availability of Piers Vestegen to speak at AGM</p> <p>Confirm availability of D McCarthy to continue in role of secretary</p> <p>Develop guidelines and instructions for use of “Members</p>	<p>M Fowler</p> <p>G Warden</p> <p>S Gates</p> <p>G Warden</p>	<p>28/2/09</p> <p>28/2/09</p> <p>28/2/09</p> <p>28/2/09</p>

	<p>committee.</p> <p>b. Use this for work in progress, membership database. Need to develop guidelines for what should be loaded in. Correspondence in and out should go on the public site.</p> <p>c. Chair to be the arbiter of what goes “in” or “out”.</p> <p>4. Chief Bushfire Control Officer is leaving Shire of Kalamunda to join Shire of Mundaring. At the moment the role is being covered by shire staff.</p> <p>5. S Gates commented that pamphlets for new residents were very well received by real-estate agents. New pamphlets have now been printed.</p>	<p>Only” section for NRPG site</p>		
		Distribute New Resident pamphlets to car dealerships	Committee Members	28/2/09
Meeting Close	<p>Meeting Closed at 22:16.</p> <p>Next Meeting: TBA</p>			