

# BASSENDEAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC.

## Meeting Minutes

Date: 10 October 2007

Held at the Activity Room #1 at the new Library

46 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean

Meeting Opened: 8:26 PM



**Present:** Maggie Amy, Joyce Archibald, Carlle & Ted Bentley, David Brown, Marion Cahill, Claire Hall, Ruth & Mick Ireland, Lisa Lowe, Steve McFarland, Greg Peterson, Catherine & Ron Van Delft, Don Yates.

**1. Apologies:** Elaine Newman,

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (9-May-07):** Ron moved that the minutes as presented be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Bassendean Preservation Group meeting for the month of May. Seconded by Maggie. Carried.

**3. New Members:** Lynn Gaul. Ruth moved she be welcomed, Carlle seconded. Carried.

**4. Bickies for the next meeting:** Ron

### 5. Active BPG Projects

#### Action

#### 5.1 Preparations for 2007 Plantings

- Amy provided a high-resolution aerial photo of Ashfield Flats to aid planning for this year's planting.
- Ted painted the stakes with this year's signature colour.
- Mick & Greg finalised the species list and locations.
- Mick organised tools and supervised the 27-May-07 staking out.
- Participants Ted & Carlle, Mick, Maggie, Helmut & Vedi & family, Dave, Don and Steve drove 340 stakes to mark this year's plants locations,
- Steve liaised with DPI and TofB to put the targeted herbicide spray plan in motion.
- Planting out day is set for 12 August, 9:00 PM. BBQ to follow.
- Day delayed to 2-Sep-07 to let the water recede from the recent rains.
- The water was still high, but planting day dawned bright and sunny and BPG volunteers planted 360 plants in less than two hours, followed by a delicious BBQ cooked by Mick, Ruth and Lisa.
- Follow-up staking is required for some plants set outside the planned and staked planting area to avoid the water.
- Follow-up staking completed 23-Sep-07

Person's unknown have been tipping over stakes again this year at Ashfield Flats. Could be:

- kids
- anti-spray advocates
- view vandals





























Stakes protect the plants from the mower (sort of), and mark the targeted spray area for TofB. Suggest use of bollards for mower protection, and surveyor's paint for spray location to continue the successful targeted herbicide spray program.

Ron moved BPG endorse activities. Seconded by Mick and carried.

#### 5.2 Bollards at Ashfield Flats

- Alicia from TofB joined Greg, Mick and Steve at Ashfield Flats to survey planting area.
- Scope of bollard plan is now a total of 30.
- TofB has tentatively agreed to provide and install if DPI provides funds, subject to approval of BPG's proposal by both parties. Cost is estimated to be \$1900 for 30.
- Don has worked up a prototype plastic sign for BPG to mount on the bollards.
- Letter outlining proposal has been sent to DPI.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waiting on TofB and DPI response and logos for inclusion on the sign.</li> <li>• 12-Jul-07 Mick met with Peter Kane from DPI and Simon Stewart Dawkins from TofB at Ashfield Flats. Concerns with disturbing acid sulphate soil and soil contamination from treated pine bollards were raised.</li> <li>• Second letter sent to DPI with a revised proposal.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.3 The BPG Website development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don has <a href="http://www.bpginc.info">www.bpginc.info</a> up and running with 30- 40 hits/month.</li> <li>• Don is introducing a Willy Wagtail ring tone download.</li> <li>• Ron is editing the Bush in Bassendean brochure for posting on the site.</li> <li>• Video tours of BPG revegetation sites?</li> </ul>	<p>Ron moved BPG endorse website and thank Don for his efforts. Seconded by Joyce and carried.</p>
<p><b>5.40 Carbon Offsets for BPG</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don investigated ownership of “BPG’s” trees at Ashfield Flats. It appears DPI retains ownership, hence the carbon rights.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.5 Alternative Grant Options for BPG Projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marion has forwarded to Greg a 24-page list of organizations that provide grants typically from \$500 to \$5000 that may be more appropriate to BPG’s on-the-ground-works.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.6 BPG’s Updated Logo</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Now incorporated into the outgoing letterhead and meeting proforma’s. Thanks to Don’s creativity for the new look.</li> </ul>	<p>Greg moved the logo as designed by Don be adopted and endorsed. Seconded by Maggie and carried.</p>
<p><b>5.6 Promotion of 2008 Trees Planted in 2008</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sample fridge magnets, bookmarks, posters presented by Don</li> <li>• Don suggested obtaining a banner to display on planting days</li> </ul>	<p>Greg moves BPG formally endorse the 2008 in 2008 campaign and promotional themes. Seconded by Mick and carried.</p> <p>Mick moves Don create banner artwork. Seconded by Ted and carried.</p>
<p><b>5.6 Preparations for 2008 Plantings</b></p>	<p>Executive meeting set for 19 October at Ron’s house to begin planning</p>
<p><b>6. Correspondence Out:</b></p>	<p><b>Action</b></p>
<p>a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to DPI with revised proposal. Dated 18 September 2007.</p>	
<p>b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to DPI with proposal for bollard installations. Dated 24 June 2007.</p>	
<p>c) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to TofB requesting targeted spray program. Dated 31 May 07.</p>	
<p>d) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to DPI with invoice for reimbursement to cover last year’s stakes. Dated 25 May 2007.</p>	
<p>e) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter with Perth Bio=diversity Management data</p>	

7. Correspondence In: <i>RS</i> - Requires attention indicated	Action
a)  Swan and Canning Rivers Management Act 2006 letter and pamphlet	Received
b)  Health Impacts on Climate Change Report	Received
c)  Urban Bush Telegraph Newsletter Spring 2007	Received
d)  Greener Time Magazine September 2007	Received
e)  Membership renewal	<i>RS</i> - To Treasurer
f)  Brochure for Segra 2007 Climate change forum 17-19 September 2007 Wollongong	Received
g)  Invitation to participate in Perth Zoo Night Stalk marsupial census program	Received
h)  Invitation to North Metro Conservation Group Environmental showcase, 3 August	Received
i)  Greener Time Magazine August 2007	Received
j)  Conservation Council of WA upcoming AGM info and membership renewal receipt	Received
k)  Letter notifying that the Metropolitan Region Scheme Amendment 1027/33 Whiteman Park and Environs was disallowed with no changes to the metropolitan Region Scheme.	Received
l)  The Web newsletter for the Threatened Species Network Winter 2007.	Received
m)  National Heritage magazine No. 33 Winter	Received
n)  The Swan newsletter of the Swan Catchment Council Issue 23 July 2007	Received
o)  Bushland News Issue 62 Winter 2007	Received
p)  Greener Time Magazine July 2007	Received
q)  8 membership renewals.	<i>RS</i> - To Treasurer
r)  Copies of Swan River Trust River View newsletter Autumn 2007 No. 43	Received
s)  Invoice for meeting room hire from ToFB.	Received
t)  Natural Heritage magazine No. 32 Special Edition June 2007	Received
u)  Department of Consumer and Employment Protection Associations Info newsletter Issue 1 June 2007.	Received
v)  Greener Times Magazine June 2007.	Received
w)  Brochure Landcare products (tree guards, stakes, weed mats etc).	Received
x)  Invitation to Dieback Resistant Jarrah Community Project launch from Alcoa. Sunday 8 July 2007	Received
y)  Skills for Nature Conservation 2007 Training Calendar	<i>RS</i>
z)  Invitation from Urban Bushland Council WA for free training to become a volunteer guide to lead walks in bushland reserves.	Received
aa)  Affiliated membership renewal from CC of WA	<i>RS</i> To Ron
bb)  Letter from North Metro Conservation Group, Inc announcing a wide assortment of wetland and dry land species from their nursery.	<i>RS</i>

cc) Letter request for donation to Conservation Council of WA.	Received								
dd) Greener Times Magazine May 2007.	Received								
ee) The Web newsletter for the Threatened Species Network Autumn 2007.	Received								
Ron moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. Greg seconded. Carried.									
<b>8. Treasurer's Report:</b> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">BPG Inc</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 2,131.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bank Balance</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 2,131.04</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 19.50</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 2,150.54</u></td> </tr> </table>	BPG Inc	\$ 2,131.04	Bank Balance	<u>\$ 2,131.04</u>	Petty Cash	<u>\$ 19.50</u>	Total	<u>\$ 2,150.54</u>	Ruth moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Lisa seconded. Carried.
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<b>9.0 Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business:</b>	<b>Action</b>								
<b>9.1 Swan and Canning River Management Act 2006:</b> The river areas are now going to be jointly managed by the local authority and the Swan River Trust.	Marion is going to investigate what this means for BPG's planting programs.								
<b>9.2 Results of Member Survey:</b> Claire reported on the results of the member survey conducted in mid-2006. Members reported their experiences with BPG were favourable. In summary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members liked the newsletter;</li> <li>• favoured planting activities and BBQ's over attending meetings, with time constraints the main excuse;</li> <li>• considered revegetation and riverbank restoration priority projects;</li> <li>• would like to see guest speakers at meetings;</li> <li>• and more participation in activities, and finally;</li> <li>• more promotion and communication of BPG's works.</li> </ul> <p>This initiated a discussion of the involvement of students in planting including years 10-12 doing community service, but there was general acknowledgement that the effort to keep the children focussed and the increasing liabilities of taking children off school reduces the attractiveness of that option.</p> <p>Instead church groups, 4W drive clubs or other social groups inclined to participate in green activities may be a source of cooperative volunteers.</p>									
<b>9.3 Speakers, Topics &amp; External Events</b>	To discuss in the coming year.								
<b>10. Next Meeting:</b> 14 November 2007									
<b>11. Closure:</b> The meeting closed at 9:42 PM									