


<p>BASSENDAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC. Meeting Minutes www.bpginc.info Date: 11 November 2009 Held at the Activity Room #1 at the new Library 46 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean Meeting Opened: 7:45 PM</p>	
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Present: Ted Bentley, Natasha Kepert, Ruth Ireland, Steve McFarland, Shirley McManus, Elaine Newman.

1. Apologies: Claire Hall, Maggie Amy, Michael Ireland.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (14-Oct-09): Ted moved that the minutes as presented be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Bassendean Preservation Group meeting for the month of October. Seconded by Shirley. Carried.

3. New Members: Ryall Walking Group (names to be provided by Elaine). Steve moved they be welcomed, Ruth seconded. Carried.

4. Bickies for the next meeting: Ruth.

5. Active BPG Projects

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<p>5.1 2009 Plantings Activities Wrap-up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 31-Oct-09 Dave, Shirley, Steve, Ruth, Lisa, Ellen, Ted, and Carlle were joined by TofB Crs Kara who had Ally and Max in tow and Don to weed the DRJs (Dieback Resistant Jarrahs) at Broadway. A survivor's head count revealed about 15 DRJs still standing out of an original 84 and an equal number of regular Jarrahs out of 210, along with unmistakable signs of recent area knock-down herbicide spraying. Later investigation confirmed the area had indeed been sprayed, but that the attrition was more a factor of weed competition and a dry spring. Those on site agreed to return with water the following week to ensure the continuing survival of the few. 7-Nov-09 Steve, Cr Kara with Ally and Max, Dave, Carlle, Ted, Cr Don, Greg and Natasha returned with tools and various buckets and jugs full of water. For the occasion Ted prepared calibrated dam measuring sticks, brought a tank with about 240L of water and had measured soil wetting agent into plant size packets. Members and volunteers built a dam around each plant, raked out the wetting agent, poured on 10L of water and mulched with the weed straw available around the place to reduce evaporation. The survivor head count was found to be a little better than previously thought with several DRJs and Jarrahs discovered in the dead weeds that were missed the week before. Mark at TofB is purchasing slow release water (98% water in 2% vegetable gum) and wants to try it at Broadway. The reeds BPG planted in the sand at Pickering foreshore are doing fine with still no sign of washing out. Shirley suggested setting up a monitoring program where BPG's plantings are regularly inspected to provide early warnings of accidental overspray, mowing or other damage. 	<p>Back in a month to add water? 28 November 9:00 proposed. Steve to confirm.</p> <p>Ruth to investigate available info on reeds.</p>

<p>5.2 Teachers Environment Fund Grant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maggie received about 2/3's of the requested funds. • Have to find a site now and develop a species list. 													
<p>5.3 The BPG Website Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maggie's working on the Dream Weaver software purchase. 	Maggie												
<p>5.4 BPG Grow Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Ruth's contact with the Cyril Jackson and Lockridge. • Kevin at DPI said that sites with toilet facilities are at a premium, but if BPG has their own amenities transportable, he could probably come up with a site for us. 	<p>Steve to send Ruth copies of the latest correspondence.</p> <p>Natasha to have a look at work for potential sites.</p>												
<p>5.5 Planting at Success Hill: TofB is holding a Dieback workshop at Success Hill on Saturday 5-Dec-09. Need to get a head count of interested BPG participants.</p>	Natasha, Ted, Carlle and Ruth expressed interest.												
<p>5.7 Dieback Resistant Jarrahs at Broadway Arboretum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The "official" rollout of DriWater is taking place in December. The local rep is flying to Melbourne for three weeks(!) of training. Meanwhile the TofB Parks Supervisor has a local source for a competing product called WaterLog and may supply some for BPG. • A tap is going to be required at Broadway if this watering becomes a regular summer thing. 	Ted and Ruth to investigate if there is a water hydrant location near Broadway												
<p>5.10 Plant List:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of compiling best seed gathering dates on BPG – Local Species List. 	Claire is still pursuing.												
<p>6. Correspondence Out: none</p>	Action												
<p>7. Correspondence In: <i>☞ - Requires attention indicated</i></p>	Action												
<p>a) ☞ Three membership renewals and one new?</p>	☞ to the Treasurer.												
<p>b) ☞ Copy of Water Corps 50 year plan for delivering water and wastewater services for Perth and surrounding areas.</p>	Received.												
<p>c) ☞ Info on Conservation Council of WA's AGM meeting.</p>	Received.												
<p>d) ☞ Letter seeking expression of interest for the best time for a presentation on the results of the research report Investigation into the effect of wash of boats and wind waves on the Swan River. RSVP by 21-Oct-09.</p>	See Item 9.1.												
<p>e) ☞ Letter from TofB Volunteer Coordinator Audrey Bell confirming email info from the Grant Writing Workshop.</p>	Received.												
<p>f) ☞ Greener Times Magazine Spring 2009</p>	Received.												
Shirley moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. Natasha seconded. Carried.													
<p>8. Treasurer's Report:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">BPG Inc</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">8,565.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bank Balance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8,565.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="text-align: right;">28.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8,593.92</td> </tr> </table>	BPG Inc	\$	8,565.42	Bank Balance	\$	8,565.42	Petty Cash	\$	28.50	Total	\$	8,593.92	<p>Ruth moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Elaine seconded. Carried.</p>
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9. Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business:	Action
<p>9.1 Boating Management Strategy: Carlle and Ted attended the presentation on the results. The Australian Maritime College and Curtin University prepared the report, drawing on information on the Gordon River in Tasmania. The report provided irrefutable evidence that boat wash and not wind-generated waves are causing the bank erosion problems.</p>	
<p>9.5 BPG Planting Tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting on status of Grant application for 5 Pottiputkis planting tools. 	
<p>10. Next Meeting: 10-Feb-10</p>	
<p>11. Closure: The meeting closed at 8:55 pm</p>	