


<p>BASSENDEAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC. Meeting Minutes www.bpginc.info Date: 14 April 2010 Held at the Activity Room #1 at the new Library 46 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean Meeting Opened: 7:35 PM</p>	
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Present: Maggie Amy, Carlle & Ted Bentley, Ally and Kara Collins, Claire Hall, Natasha Kepert, Steve McFarland, Shirley McManus, Elaine Newman and Don Yates.

1. Apologies: Ruth Ireland, Greg Peterson.









2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (10-Mar-10): Shirley moved that the minutes as presented be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Bassendean Preservation Group meeting for the month of March. Seconded by Elaine. Carried.

3. New Members: None.

4. Bickies for the next meeting: Shirley.

5. Active BPG Projects

	Action
<p>5.1 2010 Planting Activities Preparation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve McCabe has arranged a landcare works program with SHAG (Success Hill Action Group). The activities they have planned focus on Success Hill naturally and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>April '10</u> Cutting VELDT-GRASS from around low shrubs <u>May '10</u> Pulling MORNING GLORY <u>June '10</u> Mid-Winter BREAK <u>July '10</u> Pulling HARES TAIL CLOVER <u>August '10</u> Pulling MELIOT and LUPIN or PLANTING with BPG (along the river – Pickering Park?) <u>September '10</u> MAPPING the remaining wildflowers maybe with a GPS (?) (to assist with prioritising future work) Tackling FREESIA and WATSONIA <u>October '10</u> FUMITORY Pull Woody Weed Control (LANTANA, CASTOR OIL and 'JAPANESE' PEPPER) <u>November '10</u> SEED COLLECTION (with BPG?) or TRAINING End of Year PARTY (?) <u>Dec'10 – Feb '11</u> SUMMER BREAK. Kevin at DPI is interested in working with BPG to run a trial using a 300mm auger to install soil water retention crystals to improve the survival success rate at Ashfield Flats. 	<p>Some ideas for a similar program for BPG members on a Saturday morning once a month through the Winter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jubilee – eradicate African Glads Broadway – eradicate Tobacco Tree Nature strip on NE Corner of Lord and Guildford Road/Lamb St verge Downstream end of Boardwalk at Ashfield Flats, triangle formed by combined use paths Stake maintenance at all BPG sites Post hole digger/soil wetting agent trial at Ashfield Flats Natives self-regeneration through weed control at Ashfield Flats TofB provided sedges and grasses for foreshore planting Caltrop at BMX track <p>BPG would like to work with DPI on this.</p>

<p>5.2 Teachers Environment Fund Grant: Status of the natives potted by for the EHPS students and organized by Maggie and Maria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eucalyptus calophylla – 125 – just about 100% up • Hakia prostrata – 125 – ditto • Kennedia prostrata – 50 – ditto • Hardenbergia comptoniana – 50 - ditto • Casuarina obesa – 50 – slow starters, maybe 10% so far? 	
<p>5.3 The BPG Website Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of software purchase. • 300 unique lookers 700-800 pages viewed. 	<p>Maggie is pursuing.</p>
<p>5.4 BPG Grow Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruth is completing the BPG inventory list. • There are a couple of location options on offer. 	
<p>5.7 Dieback Resistant Jarrahs at Broadway Arboretum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don emailed a copy of the Motion for Consideration regarding the faucets he is working on getting installed around TofB and especially at Broadway Arboretum. See Item 7a). • Natasha reports there is one DRJ and maybe a dozen regular Jarrahs left. 	<p>Natasha is going to write a submission in favour of the faucets. Steve to format into letterhead and submit.</p>
<p>5.10 Plant List:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still working on capturing the best time of year to go looking for seeds for each specie. 	<p>Claire is pursuing.</p>
<p>6. Correspondence Out:</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">None</p>	
<p>7. Correspondence In: <i>RS - Requires attention indicated</i></p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>a)  Emailed copy from Cr Don of the “Motion for Provision of a number of combination water fountain and secure water tap installations”.</p>	<p><i>RS</i> Received.</p>
<p>b)  Community Connections No. 2 newsletter from the TofB Volunteer Coordinator Audrey including a poster for National Volunteer Week 10-16 May.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>c)  Greenway Paid tax invoice for Pottiputkis planting tools.</p>	<p><i>RS</i> Received.</p>
<p>d)  Urban Bush Telegraph Autumn 2010 newsletter and receipt for annual renewal.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>e)  Information from the WA Conservation Council on the 5 Year Strategic Plan and a request to provide feed back on future direction.</p>	<p>Steve to find out if a .pdf version is available and email to Kara, Natasha and Claire.</p>
<p>f)  Bushland News newsletter Issue 73 Autumn 2010.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>g)  ANZAC day participation invitation from TofB.</p>	<p>Steve to send regrets.</p>
<p>h)  Austcover insurance renewal forms.</p>	<p><i>RS</i> to Treasurer.</p>
<p>Natasha moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. Carlle seconded. Carried.</p>	

<p>8. Treasurer's Report:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>BPG Inc</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 10,073.53</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bank Balance</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 10,073.53</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 33.50</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 10,107.03</td> </tr> </table>	BPG Inc	\$ 10,073.53	Bank Balance	<u>\$ 10,073.53</u>	Petty Cash	<u>\$ 33.50</u>	Total	\$ 10,107.03	<p>Mags moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Shirley seconded. Carried.</p>
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<p>9. Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action</p>								
<p>9.2 Double Gees in Bassendean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don approached Steve McCabe about creating a brochure as proposed at March BPG meeting. Part of Steve's role is to liaise with local landcare groups. TofB is not structured to allow the EO (Environmental Officer) to take direction from individual Councillors, but can from Council through the regular chain of command. • Weeds are assigned a code Green, Yellow and Red according to perceived priority. Red designates environmentally sensitive areas under threat from invasive weeds. As you can see from the excerpt pp4 provided by Steve from the Draft Bushland Weed Management Plan, Caltrop is rated Green. While a threat to paws and bicycle tires, outbreaks that are outside of reserves are deemed a relatively low priority. • Steve McCabe can provide more materials like the attached to assist BPG to make up a brochure and is happy to work with BPG on this problem. 	<p>BPG wants to target the Caltrop at the BMX track on the edge of Ashfield Flats.</p> <p>Natasha to draft letter to the TofB CEO Bob Jarvis</p>								
<p>9.3 Copy of BPG Minutes: In progress.</p>	<p>Steve to do.</p>								
<p>9.4 ATO Troubles:</p> <p>Steve called the ATO from work and got right through after only 39 minutes on hold. The agent was more than willing to help with no question of authorization but had to have the BPG ABN number to locate the file, which was incorrect in the paperwork I had. Carlle's going to have another go over the phone with the correct ABN number in hand.</p>	<p>Carlle fixed with a short phone call. Now BPG is on an ATO register for no returns required.</p>								
<p>9.5 BPG Planting Tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve purchased the 5 Pottiputkis and they are awaiting pick-up at Greenways in Beckinham M-F business hours. 	<p>Ted to pick up.</p>								
<p>9.6 State Library of WA Pandora Archive:</p>	<p>Ruth's working on it.</p>								
<p>9.7 \$25 Million Foundation to Fund Die-back Research:</p>	<p>Off the agenda for now, will update as it progresses.</p>								
<p>10. Next Meeting: 12-May-10</p>									
<p>11. Closure: The meeting closed at 9:00 pm</p>									

Caltrop (*Tribulus terrestris*)



DESCRIPTION	
Locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broadway Arboretum in Nyibra Swamp
Appearance	Caltrop, also known as puncture vine or cats head, is a low spreading annual with pinnate leaves, yellow flowers less than 1cm across and very spiny fruits. The upper surface of leaves is dark green, while the lower surface is covered in hairs, giving it a silvery appearance.
Habitat	It is widespread in the Kimberley and arid zone, and is spreading along roadsides in the south-west.
Comments	This herb plant is a cosmopolitan weed, and forms of it may be native to Western Australia or introduced prior to European settlement. There are several rather similar native caltrops which generally have larger flowers and less spiny fruits.
CONTROL	
Priority	Low
Timing	Dec - Jan
Manual Control	Handpulling is effective if the infested area is no too large. Make sure to remove the tap root by pulling from the root crown (where the weed spreads from).
Wipe/ Cut Stump	No specific information. Suggest wiping with 1:2 glyphosate to water.
Spot Spray	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 mL glyphosate effective on seedlings ⁽¹⁾