

**BASSENDEAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC.****Committee of Management Meeting Minutes**

Date: 9 October 2013

Held at the Activity Room #1 at the new Library

46 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean

<http://www.bpginc.info/>

Meeting Opened: 7:40 pm

**Present:** Carlle & Ted Bentley, Dave Brown, Steve McFarland.

**1. Minutes of Previous Meeting (8-May-13):** Dave 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 Carlle. Carried.

**2. New Members:** Noel & Connie. Steve moved they be welcomed, Ted seconded. Carried.

**3. Bickies for the next meeting:** Not assigned.

**4. Active BPG Projects****Action****4.1 2011/12/13 Planting Activities Preparation:**








- Sunday 15-Sep-13 Maggie, Dave, Steve, Connie, Noel, Carlle, Ted, Nonie, Moss, Natasha and Ruth attended an activity morning at the GroCentre to wash pots, repot several hundred juncus krausii, clean the pond and try out the salt hydrometers.
- Sunday 11-Aug-13 under unbelievably sunny skies Steve, Dave, Ted, Carlle, Ruth, Natasha, Maggie, Ellen, John, Noel, Marion and Connie planted almost 500 native species at the Fish area. We had to deviate somewhat from our Black Cockatoo habitat focus here, because the saline high water discourages the usual high priority habitat candidates.
- Thursday 8-Aug-13 Claire attended a site meeting at Fairford St drain adjacent to Broadway Arboretum, where on the WPC easements, years of successful streamlining revegetation were destroyed by a feral contractor.
- Tuesday 6-Aug-13, Steve met with Jeremy the ToFB Environmental Officer to walk through the Surrey Street drain revegetation project, and to deliver the ToFB donated sedges and ground covers to the GroCentre for staging. Also picked up enough of the special forestry tubes and plastic frames to re-pot the Juncus ks in the GroCentre pond. Btw, the solar sterilizer is chockablock.
- Sunday 14-Jul-13 Ruth, Steve, David, Marion, Noel Bernadette, Tristan, Monique, Amily, Claire, Maggie, Ben and Catrina planted another 500 natives at the Whitfield St site. The plants were all priority habitat plants that support the endangered Black Cockatoos and were grown at BPG's GroCentre, largely from local provenance seed gathered by BPG members with their SOPP licenses.
- Wednesday 3-Jul-13 Dave and Steve staked an extension for the Marri Grove at Ashfield Flats, and the next day WAPC funded for grass specific weed treatment. Looking both for natural regeneration and to plant some of the Marris BPG has grown from seed collected at the Grove.
- Saline shock is suspected for the poor showing of BPG's

Initial Surrey Street planting date set for 28-Sep-13.

Steve bought two saltwater aquarium

<p><b>4.1 2011/12/13 Planting Activities Preparation:</b> (cont)          Juncus ks that thrive in the GroCentre pond but hit the wall when planted out on the Swan foreshore, where the summer river salinity varies from 12 to 18 PPT. TofB Enviro Officer Jeremy advises that the nursery that supplies their Juncus ks salt harden them up before setting out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday 20-Jun-13 Steve met with WAPC, TofB, and SRT to discuss remediation of “Boardwalk Bay”, the washout just upstream of the Boardwalk at Ashfield Flats. Likely set-up will be a log-brush wall with clean river sand infill topped by geotex and planted out by BPG with some of those hardened J ks. SRT says a permit will be required. WAPC to contribute materials if BPG provides the labour.</li> <li>• As of Friday 7-Jun-13 mowing to enlarge the Whitfield St planting site was completed and weed treatment followed.</li> <li>• Friday 31-Mar-13 Steve met with Jeremy for a catch-up and look around. Surrey St drain indeed needs rushes, and Jeremy plans to purchase for BPG to plant out if we are amenable. Btw Jeremy tested for and found dieback at Jubilee Reserve. Planting at Pickering will have to wait until the TofB foreshore restoration works are complete.</li> <li>• Sunday 19-May-13, Val, Moss, Nonie and Steve met at the Ashfield Flats mutant Casuarina obesa that is shooting at the roots to take photos and a sample or two for identification. In the opinion of Val and Nonie, the shoots may have resulted from mowing scrapes, the slightly different habit may be of function of the clustered environment. With in normal expectations.</li> </ul>	<p>hydrometers and a 2kg bag of ocean salt to harden up BPG’s Juncus ks before setting out by duplicating the river salinity in the GroCentre pond.</p> <p>Steve let Kevin know that it is not an exotic and should be retained.</p>
<p><b>4.2 Broadway Arboretum Concept Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TofB has brought an engineer on board that will be advancing the plan and seeking grant funding.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>4.3 The BPG Website Development:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Syrinx report copyright status?</li> <li>• Steve has updated the WHOIS tech and admin listing for both the BPG and Broadway Arboretum website.</li> <li>• Downloadable membership on the web has been updated with the new annual fees.</li> <li>• Ted renewed BPG’s SmartyHost annual hosting for another year, but SmartyHost suspended the site anyway.</li> <li>• Steve renewed Broadway’s mydomain annual hosting for another year, and the domain name for two years.</li> <li>• Steve did some initial research into the best way to combine the sites, and as might be expected found mostly conflicting and contradictory information. Also there are various hidden charges in the two existing hosts pricing structures. More research and more time required before a final decision on how to combine is made.</li> </ul>	<p>Drop from agenda.</p>

<p><b>4.4 BPG GroCentre:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ruth is going to organize a tour of the GroCentre for those that haven't seen it.</li> <li>• NIASA manual and sliding scale enquiries pending.</li> <li>• Ted from Lions advised the School Board ruled out a Men's Shed at CJSC.</li> </ul>	<p>How'd it go?</p> <p>Steve to chase up.</p>
<p><b>4.5 Temporary Home for the GroCentre:</b> Our tenure is secure there for the foreseeable future. And we like it</p>	
<p><b>4.6 Carnaby's Black Cockatoo Habitat:</b> Our SOPP licenses are still valid, and we have written permission from the land manager to gather at Ashfield Flats.</p>	<p>Time to gather some honkey nuts.</p>
<p><b>4.7 Resurrect the Tooby Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have soft copies of the Tooby report (It's on the website now).</li> </ul>	<p>Need to get the hard copies back from Natasha.</p>
<p><b>4.8 BPG Display at the Library:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ted &amp; Carlle pulled down the display at the end of May.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. Correspondence Out:</b></p>	<b>Action</b>
<p>a) 📧 26-Sep-13 email chain involving Natasha, and Lucy from AshfieldCan and BPG participation in the Dogs' Breakfast 13 Oct-13.</p>	
<p>b) 📧 26-Sep-13 email to all members with locator map for Val's Gobba Lake Walk Sunday 29-Sep-13.</p>	
<p>c) 📧 16-Sep-13 email to all members announcement of upcoming Val's Gobba Lake Walk Sunday 29-Sep-13.</p>	
<p>d) 📧 9-Sep-13 email to all members reminder of activity morning at the GroCentre Sunday 15-Sep-13.</p>	
<p>e) 📧 24-Aug-13 email to all members announcing an activity morning at the GroCentre Sunday 15-Sep-13.</p>	
<p>f) 📧 11-Aug-13 email from Steve to Jo at DPaW (formerly DEC) with a 550 word BPG profile and photos for a Spring feature in the quarterly Bushland News.</p>	
<p>g) 📧 8-Aug-13 email with map to all members reminding about the planting morning at the Fish site 11-Aug-13, 10:00am start.</p>	
<p>h) 📧 27-Jul-13 email with map to all members announcing the planting morning at the Fish site 11-Aug-13, 10:00am start.</p>	
<p>i) 📧 11-Jul-13 email to all members reminding about the planting morning at the Whitfields St site 14-Jul-13, 10:00am start.</p>	
<p>j) 📧 30-Jun-13 email to all members announcing the planting morning at the Whitfields St site 14-Jul-13, 10:00am start.</p>	

<p>k) 29-May-13 email from Steve to Exec and tech team Kylie and Rob seeking direction and assistance on whether to combine the two sites by moving the BPG site to mydomain, rather than the Broadway site to SmartyHost. Three replies to date 29-May-13 emails from Ted “up to me” and Claire “whatever’s easiest” and a 4-Jun-13 text message from Ruth “if possible, save”. Lacking any other input, and unable to resolve the conflicting advice found on the internet status quo was maintained for another year. Item 4.3 refers.</p>	
<p><b>6. Correspondence In:</b>  - <i>Requires attention indicated</i></p>	<p><b>Action</b></p>
<p>a) AshfieldCan September newsletter Vol3 No 2 with article claiming victory over WAPC and TofB attempts to enforce dog leash laws at Ashfield Flats. “Bringing the birds back” is one of BPG’s key projects, and off-leash dogs are largely responsible for driving the birds out in the first place.</p>	<p>Ted moves, Dave seconds to investigate then write letter supporting enforcement of dog leash laws at Ashfield Flats.</p>
<p>b) Receipt from CCWA Annual Affiliation fee 2013/14.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>c) Greenway catalogue.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>d) 8-Aug-13 invitation from CCWA to join the Eco Week program and Stalls/Member events.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>e) 6-Aug-13 tax invoice for membership CCWA Annual Affiliation fee 2013/14,</p>	<p> - to Treasurer</p>
<p>f) Bassendean Briefings August-September 2013 Issue No. 92.</p>	
<p>g) 16-Jul-13 two packets of walk brochures from City of Gosnells.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>h) 5-Aug-13 fund raising letter from CCWA. Barnett’s cutting off community grant funding to fund his oval and jetty projects.</p>	<p> - Received.</p>
<p>i) 12-Jun-13 email from Claire to report she attended a meeting at Fairford Street Drain to see the damage wreaked by a feral WPC contractor tidying up several years of successful revegetation efforts.</p>	<p> - Received.</p>
<p>j) 12-Jun-13 email from Don and Marion inviting BPG to provide a short presentation at the AshfieldCAN meeting.</p>	<p> - Received.</p>
<p>k) 11-Jun-13 anti-fracking letter from CCWA.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>l) Customer Notice from the PO, announcing temporary closure due to construction.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>m) bushlandnews Issue 86 Winter 2013.</p>	
<p>n) 23-May-13 Urban Bushland Council WA Inc Autumn 2013 newsletter.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>o) 23-May-13 Urban Bushland Council WA Inc letter with receipt for annual subscription dated 18-Feb-13.</p>	
<p>p) 22-May-13 email from Paul with a copy Report to Town of Bassendean Council Public Meeting re: Proposed Relocation of War Memorial 6th May 2013.</p>	<p>Received.</p>
<p>q) 15-May-13 email from Claire with an invite to an EMRC dinner 27-May-13 for BPG to give a presentation on BPG activities. Forwarded to Exec 19-May-13.</p>	<p> - Forwarded to Exec 19-May-13.</p>
<p>r) 14-May-13 email from Don with more info on AshfieldCAN member’s concerns about the Ashfield Flats foreshore.</p>	<p> - Forwarded to Exec 19 May 13</p>

	19-May-13.
s) 14-May-13 mail from Emma at AshfieldCAN seeking BPG support for their project Ashfield Forest.	☞ - Forwarded to Exec 19-May-13.
Ted moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. Dave seconded. Carried.	
<b>7. Treasurer's Report:</b> BPG Inc                                 \$   3,251.01  Bank Balance                             \$   3,251.01 Petty Cash                                 \$     47.60 Total   \$   3,298.61	Steve moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Dave seconded. Carried.
<b>8. Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business:</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>8.2 Next AGM</b> Last AGM was May 2013. Carlle moved, Ted seconded that the next AGM be scheduled for June 2014. Carried.	Next AGM set for June 2014.
<b>8.3 Comments on the TofB Enviro Management Plan</b> Jeremy, the TofB Environmental Officer has asked BPG to provide comments on the plan.	Steve to write, with Ted's contribution on off-leash dogs at Ashfield Flats.
<b>8.4 Living Smart Bassendean</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update from Greg?</li> </ul>	Last call. To be dropped from agenda.
<b>8.4 BPG Meeting dates</b> In accordance with the PBG Constitution Item 15 (1) Dave moves and Ted seconds that Committee of Management will meet every other month starting in February. Carried.	Carlle to adjust the room bookings.
<b>8.6 Bassendean War Memorial</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on Ruth &amp; Paul's plan to canvas the membership for a council submission?</li> </ul>	It's moving. Drop from agenda.
<b>8.7 Membership List</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renewals are done and dusted.</li> </ul>	
<b>8.8 Bindaring Vision</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on industrial debris in viaduct</li> </ul>	Last call. To be dropped from the agenda.
<b>8.9 Gobba Lake visit:</b> After a background briefing on the history, Val led a tour around the lake attended by Natasha, Ellen, Steve, Mags, Ruth, Pat and Greg. Remarkable what a natural setting has been achieved in a very urban setting. The tour ended on an overlook platform where Val served scones, jam and cream.	
<b>8.10 Connecting Bassendean and Surrounds Magazine:</b> Ted suggested finding out more about it in view of BPG possibly running an advert. After discussion, it was felt that there are plenty of opportunities for publicity without paying for it should BPG choose. The article in Item 5 Outgoing Correspondence f) is an example.	
<b>9. Next Meeting:</b> 13-Nov-13	
<b>10. Closure:</b> The meeting closed at 8:55 pm	