

<p>BASSENDAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC. Meeting Minutes www.bpginc.info Date: 8 August 2012 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, Claire Hall, Steve McFarland, and Shirley McManus.

1. Apologies: Natasha Kepert, Joyce Archibald, Greg Peterson, Robert Caswell.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (13-Jun-12): 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 June. Seconded by Shirley. Carried.

3. New Members: Phil Ullrich, and Dave Kelly & Family. Steve moved they be welcomed, Shirley seconded. Carried.

4. Bickies for the next meeting: Claire

5. Active BPG Projects

	Action
<p>5.1 2011/12 Planting Activities Preparation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last planting day of the season will be 9-Sep-12 at Surrey Street drain. Details to follow as the date approaches. • 5-Aug-12 at the Ashfield Flats Fish and Triangle areas Steve, Dave, Ellen, Maggie, Emma, Shirley, Marion, John, Treana, Heinrich, Hans, Mathilda, Jack, Daniel, Natasha, Val and Ruth planted over 700 natives, all BPG grown high priority Carnaby Black Cockatoo habitat species. Conditions were ideal, scattered clouds and sun breaks, with recent rain to soften things up and convivial conversations. All done in less than two hours, followed by iced buns, quiche, fruit, coffee, tea and juice provided by our ever surpassing caterer Natasha. And to top it off, that night the deluge, ensuring a good watering in. Planting natives doesn't get much better than that. • 22-July-12 Steve, Bindaring Vision's Kylie, Dave, new member Phil, Natasha, new member Dave, Lynne, Don, Ruth, Maggie, Treana, Heinrich Hans, Mathilda and Jack planted an unexpectedly large number (455) of natives generously provided and delivered by Jeremy, the Environmental Officer at TofB who also organized the preparatory spray work. Several members had a go at installing tree guards with highly professional results. Followed by another feast of gourmet sandwiches and cake by Natasha. We added two and maybe three members on the day. • 21-Jul-12 John completed the spraying at the Fish and Triangle areas at Ashfield Flats. • Lots of passing traffic on the 8-July-12 planting day, all very supportive of our efforts. And while most of them scatter faster than a Higgs boson particle when an invitation to participate is offered, there's occasionally one or two who really want to make a difference. This particular Sunday Dan actually came back and planted with us for little while. 	<p>Next and last planting: 9-Sep-12 at Surrey St drain</p> <p>Updated brochure?</p>

<p>Item 5.1 (cont.)</p> <p>Natasha suggested we should have a handout ready to encourage these rare naturally occurring individuals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-Jul-12 Steve, Dave, Shirley, Maggie, guest Fran, Ruth, Lynne, Natasha and friend Emma, Claire, Heinrich and crew, Bronwyn the TofB Field Officer and passer-by Dan planted 575 BPG grown natives at the Ashfield Flats Whitfield St area. Natasha provided a fabulous morning tea of sandwiches, cakes and other delicacies. The site was immaculately prepared under direction of Jeremy the TofB Environmental Officer and Mark, the TofB Parks and Gardens Supervisor, with Bronwyn ensuring the weed competition was eliminated so the Carnaby Black Cockatoo friendly native species have the best possible start. A BPG team also staked the Triangle area and filled in the gaps around the Fish area in preparation for further planting on Sunday 5-Aug-12. • 6-Jul-12 Steve met Jeremy at the Whitfield St area to pick up the Ashfield Flat gate keys and later gave give Jeremy and Mark a tour of the GroCentre. They were mightily impressed at our operation! • 29-Jun-12 Steve walked through the proposed work at Ashfield Flats with WAPC Senior Field Management Officer Douglas and John, the spray contractor. • 21-Jun-12 Steve met with Douglas in Perth to discuss plans for Ashfield Flats. Staking date is moved from 19-Aug to the 8-Jul planting day to give John more opportunities for a dry period to spray. • 16-Jun-12 John completed the spraying at the Whitfield Area. 	
<p>5.2 Broadway Arboretum Concept Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark suggested BPG locate the permanent GroCentre at Broadway. Benefits are proximity to Depot, including potential use of the depot bore, central location, no problems with the light industrial neighbours, captive market for BPG's plants for the next few years as the Broadway Plan is implemented, and GroCentre could be incorporated into the concept plan as it evolves. 	
<p>5.3 The BPG Website Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob is looking for content. Ruth is supplying six to ten "best of" photos for each of the BPG activity days. Steve is capturing content as he comes across it and forwarding it along. • Carlle copied info from the library and gave it to Natasha. • Maggie said there is information in old newsletters and will have a look. 	<p>Need a BPG history for the website.</p> <p>Carlle to follow up With Natasha. Maggie to have a search.</p>

<p>5.4 BPG GroCentre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Item 5.2. • Steve spoke to Ted from Basso Lions, and they are still interested in working towards a combined use facility. • At the June meeting Natasha suggested a community newspaper article would be a good idea to publicise the situation, and offered to create a draft, with using Ruth's pictures. • At the June meeting Natasha proposed she review the previously considered sites before BPG return to pursuing the old BMX track location with ToFB. • Eden Hill Primary School has an area that would be suitable for a grow centre. 	<p>Natasha?</p> <p>Natasha?</p>
<p>5.5 Temporary Home for the GroCentre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-Aug-12 Steve mailed off the Lotterywest In Arrears Payment No. 3 reimbursement request. The draft No. 4 request is also complete, and shows there is just over \$60 left in the grant. • 5-Aug-12 Dave and Steve noticed improvement even in two weeks on the Juncus kraussii moved into the pond 22-Jul-12, so we moved the rest to clear the frames and cut down on the retic. • 30-Jul-12 Steve re-shod Mick's sawhorses that BPG uses for all kind of things at the GroCentre. Ruth has volunteered to complete their rehabilitation with a brushing down and coat of paint. • 22-Jul-12 Dave and Steve moved some more of the Juncus kraussii from the trays to the pond, as the trays in the pond seem to be doing better than on the frames. • 30-Jun-12 Steve picked up the new trailer, purchased locks and cables for security, and built a couple of strongbacks to carry the four-wheeler until the cage and shelves can be sorted. • 30-Jun-12 Greg has offered BPG his trailer cage and racks that Ted built for him awhile back to haul plants, complete with a green canvas cover. Steve had a look and they are solid if a bit rusty and can be mounted on our new trailer after modification to narrow the width of the mounts and a coat of paint. The cage is sitting at the side of Greg's house and a volunteer is sought to help shift to Steve's place for modification. 	<p>Dave and Steve to recover cage from Greg's now that there's a lull in the planting and haul to Steve's for repair and refit. Drop off sawhorses at the same time?</p>
<p>5.6 Carnaby Black Cockatoo Habitat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the 12-Oct-11 meeting Natasha agreed to contact the Urban Bushland Council for advice. 	<p>Status?</p>
<p>5.7 Resurrect the Tooby Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have soft copies of the report, now what? 	<p>Need to get hard copies back from Natasha.</p>

6. Correspondence Out:	Action
a) ✉ letter to Lotterywest dated 5-Aug-12 requesting reimbursement in Arrears No. 3 and with original receipts attached. Item 5.5 refers.	
b) ✉ email dated 3-Aug-12 sent by Elaine at the request of Natasha to everyone advising of the upcoming 5-Aug-12 planting day with a map and a request to RSVP for the catering.	
c) ✉ email dated 16-Jul-12 sent by Natasha to everyone advising of the upcoming 22-Jul-12 planting day with maps and a request to RSVP for the catering.	
d) ✉ email dated 15-Jul-12 to members with Ron Van Delft funeral details.	
e) ✉ email dated 28-Jun-12 sent by Natasha to everyone advising of the upcoming 8-Jul planting day with maps and a request to RSVP for the catering.	
f) ✉ email dated 27-Jun-12 to Douglas and John and copied to Jeremy confirming the walk through arrangements at Ashfield Flats.	
g) ✉ email dated 26-Jun-12 to John the spray contractor and copied to Douglas and Jeremy requesting a walk through to discuss the area preparations prior to planting.	
h) ✉ email dated 17-Jun-12 to Jeremy and Mark at TofB and Douglas at WAPC with revised draft planting schedule, area maps and species type and quantity information for 2012 proposed planting at Ashfield Flats.	
i) ✉ email dated 15-Jun-12 to Lee Holben at Lotterywest seeking advice on feasibility of a top-up grant to cover the cost of the upgraded trailer. Lee says it sounds viable, but approvals lead time is approaching four months at present.	Will see how we go repairing Greg's cage and shelves.
j) ✉ email dated 14-Jun-12 to Jeremy and Mark at TofB with draft planting schedule, and area maps for 2012 proposed planting at Ashfield Flats.	
7. Correspondence In: ✍ - Requires attention indicated	Action
a) ✉ 2 x new membership applications	✍ - to the Treasurer.
b) ✉ 6 x membership renewals	✍ - to the Treasurer.
c) ✉ letter from DoT requesting a completed proof of identity for the new trailer registration. Response due 21-Aug-12.	✍ - to Secretary.
d) ✉ email from John with quote for spray work at Fish and Triangle.	Received.
e) ✉ Thank you card from the Van Delft family for the support shown by BPG members.	Received.
f) ✉ Thank you card from Bronwyn to BPG for certificate of Appreciation.	Received.
g) ✉ fliers on City of Gosnells 2012 Eco Walks and Talks	Received.
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i) ✉ bushlandnews Issue 82 Winter	Received.
j) ✉ Letter from TofB dated 6-Jun-12 with 2012 Volunteer Grants information. \$1,000 minimum and \$5,000 tops.	✍ - Received.
k) ✉ The Greener Times magazine Winter 2012	Received.

l)  bushlandnews Issue 81 Autumn 2012 newsletter.	Received.
m)  Letter from CCWA seeking donations to protect Carnaby Black Cockatoos.	Received.
Maggie moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. Carlle seconded. Carried.	
8. Treasurer's Report:	No Report this month.
9. Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business:	Action
9.1 Peter Melling water colours: • Status of originals in Ruth's possession?	Status?
9.2 Recognition for ToB's Bronwyn Edney:	Got a nice thank you note from Bronwyn at the 8-Jul-12 planting day
9.3 Stand-in Chairperson for the Aug-Sep-Oct Meetings Natasha's in a class on the same night as the meetings for a while.	Claire to sit in for Natasha.
9.4 Caltrop Brochure • Any comments on Claire's article?	
9.5 Consultation Requirements on Revegetation works: • At the 12-Oct-11 meeting Natasha agreed to summarize her comments from the meeting so BPG can use them as a reference when this comes up again.	Status?
9.6 Hames Sharley Street Tree Plan	BPG to engage on Street Tree Plan?
9.7 Trip to BC Rehabilitation Centre • Claire mentioned that the old Cohunu Wildlife Park at Mills Road East in Gosnells is now a rehabilitation centre for Black Cockatoos. Given BPG's focus this year on native species that are high priority for BC habitat, Claire offered to organize a visit.	Claire to obtain details.
9.8 Local Planning Scheme No. 10 Amendment No. 4: • The Bindaring Vision committee put a petition up with enough signatures for Special Meeting of Electors to put pressure on Council to work towards a solution that will retain the integrity of the Bindaring Concept Plan.	Be at Council Chambers 7:00pm Tuesday 21-Aug-12 to support the Bindaring Vision.

<p>9.9 Passing of Founding BPG Member Ron Van Delft: BPG recently lost a long time friend and contributor. For those who didn't know Ron, he and Catherine were founding members of BPG way back in 1985, when BPG was formed in response to plans for a canal development at Ashfield Flats. Ron was also instrumental in the original design for Broadway Arboretum, and launched a campaign in 2009 to Restore the Vision (http://www.broadwayarboretum.info/) that arguably inspired and influenced the current draft concept plan Council recently approved. Ron introduced an updated brochure and facilitated workshops on BPG's Priority Projects in 2003, in the process creating BPG's slogan "Protecting and enhancing Bassendean's qualities". Ron was always a regular presence at BPG meetings and plantings, a valuable and effective submission writer, and the source of vast knowledge on Bassendean's local plants. He continued to support BPG via email even after his role as an Environment Planner /Project Coordinator took him first to the City of Armadale, and later to Collie. Ron was buried 17 July at Fremantle Cemetery in a biodegradable wicker casket with a spray of native plants. A wake at the Melville Bowling Club followed the funeral. The family asked that rather than flowers, donations be made to the Leukaemia Foundation. That's the charity Ron used to dye his hair blue for as fundraiser. Don, Val, Maggie and Steve from BPG were able to attend.</p> <p>BPG members would like to acknowledge Ron's contribution to BPG and Bassendean Community over his 27 year involvement.</p>	
<p>10. Next Meeting: 12-Sep-12</p>	
<p>11. Closure: The meeting closed at 9:15 pm</p>	