

BASSEDEAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC.

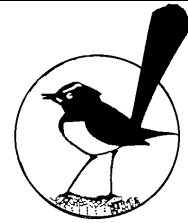
Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: 12 October 2005

Held at the Council Committee Room behind Council Chambers

48 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean

Meeting Opened: 7:43 PM



Present: Maggie Amy, Joyce Archibald, Carlle & Ted Bentley, Amy Cowdell, Claire Hall, Mick Ireland, Steve McFarland, Greg Peterson, Catherine & Ron Van Delft.

1. Apologies: Martin Forsey, Ruth Ireland, Dot Kingston, Jane Mulcock & Elaine Newman.

2. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting (13 October 2004): Ron moved that the minutes as presented be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Bassendean Preservation Group AGM for 2004. Seconded by Joyce. Carried.

3. Annual Reports:

Chairperson:

Greg's comments started with the BPG Highlights for the year:

- Raising seedlings and planting out in Ashfield Flats and Bindaring Park in July.
- The 20th birthday party in April complete with a specially decorated cake, feature edition of the newsletter and a guided tour of Success Hill led by Glenn Yeatman.
- The Submission on the recent Town Planning Scheme TPS10.
- The Submission on the Draft Plan for use of Pyrton.
- Trip to Bilbarin by four members and observation of the continuing progress of the areas revegetated by BPG members.

Greg offered thanks to:

- Steve McFarland for untiring and precise work as Secretary.
- Carlle Bentley for her relentlessly accurate work as Treasurer.
- Mick Ireland for his behind the scenes logistics and preparation work as Director of Propagation and Revegetation Services that made the year's planting so successful.
- Catherine Van Delft for deftly handling the Chairperson's duties in Greg's rare absence, as well as standing in for the Treasurer when required.
- Ted Bentley for the artistic rendition of Willy Wagtail on the BPG birthday cake and for looking after the watering trailer.
- Maggie Amy for getting the newsletters out on a regular basis.
- Ron Van Delft for his extensive efforts in preparation of the year's submissions.
- Claire Hal for her newsletter articles and contributions to the submissions.
- Val Humphrey for organising BPG's Community Fair and Expo booth and for contributions to the submissions.
- Elaine Newman for battling Excel to keep the membership list current.

And apologies to anyone Greg forgot to mention.

Finally Greg mentioned the outstanding issues for 2005-2006:

- Ashfield Flats – Largely reliant on Town of Bassendean for the next steps.
- Pyrton – Draft Plan for redevelopment is still being contested.
- Riverbank Protection & Restoration – Bank erosion is accelerating.

Treasurer:

Carlle noted that outgoings are not matched by incomings at the moment, and if this continues, Group funds will be exhausted in about 18 months.

Ted moves to accept. Claire seconds.

4. Treasurer's Report Summary:	
BPG Inc	\$ 1,329.67
Landcare Aust.	\$ 298.00
Bank Balance	\$ 1,627.67
Petty Cash	\$ 19.50
Total	\$ 1,647.17

5. Correspondence In:	Action
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6. Correspondence Out:	Action
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None.	

7. Nominations and Elections:
 Chairperson: Mick nominates Greg. Carlle seconds. Greg accepts.
 Treasurer: Joyce nominates Carlle. Catherine seconds. Carlle accepts.
 Secretary: Carlle nominates Steve. Claire seconds. Steve accepts.
 Other Committee members:
 Current Executive Committee: Ruth, Claire, Michael, Ron, and Ted
 New Executive Committee: Jane, Claire, Michael, Ron, and Ted.
 Declared elected by Chairperson.

8.0 Other Business:	Action
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<p>8.1 Setting of Fees: Fees were put up to their present levels last year. Discussions on whether to raise them fell into two camps.</p> <p>Those that felt the fees should be raised made the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The current fees are a pittance and barely cover the cost of collecting them. Funds are required to continue BPG's revegetation and submission preparation efforts, and these funds should come from the fees, especially from those that do not otherwise participate in the Group's activities. <p>Those opposing an increase felt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher fees will drive away members. They were just raised last year and should not be raised two years in a row. <p>Greg did some quick sums and determined that with the Alcoa Bravo! Grant, BPG will be right financially for at least another year when the situation can be reviewed.</p> <p>Catherine suggested an appeal for donations be included in the newsletter as an interim measure.</p> <p>In the end, Ted raised a motion to retain the fees as is. This was voted on and carried by a narrow majority.</p>	<p>Fees will stay at \$5 for unwaged, \$10 for individual, and \$15 for family.</p>
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9. Next AGM Meeting: 12 July 2006.

10. Closure: The meeting closed at 8:25 PM.