



Mid Murray Landcare SA

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Minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 8th of September 2016 at Cambrai Council Chambers 10am

Time started: 10:00am

1. Welcome - The Chairman welcomes those present, calls for apologies and general business items.

- 1.1. **Present:** Terry Franklin (Chairman), Brian Taylor, Gavin Smith, Rosemary Laucke, Ian Mann, Elisabeth Wood, Tricia Curtis, Helen Crisp and Steve Wilkinson
- 1.2. **Staff present:** Aimee Linke
- 1.3. **Apologies:** Chris Tugwell
- 1.4. **Absent:**

2. Confirmation of minutes -.

The minutes of the last meeting dated 12th August 2016 accepted as being a true reflection of the meeting.

Ian Mann Moved that the Committee accept the minutes.

Helen Crisp Seconded the motion. Carried

3. Business Arising from minutes Dark Sky project, discussed Chris Tugwells email he sent through to everyone, discussed accommodation, will talk about it more when Chris attending a meeting. Aimee will speak to Peter Graves about MMC opportunities for tourism

4. Reports

4.1. Staff Activity Report (attached).

4.2. **Financial Report. (To be presented at the meeting).**

Elisabeth Wood Moved that the Committee accept the reports

Rose Laucke Seconded the motion. Carried

5. Correspondence (To be presented at the meeting).

Ian Mann Moved the Committee accepts the correspondence.

Steve Wilkinson Seconded the motion. Carried

6. General Business:

Gavin Smith **Moved that Mid Murray Landcare SA does not cover the insurance for the Sophie Thompson event at Meldanda, not enough notice**

Brian Taylor **Seconded the motion. Carried**

Terry – cattle at Sugar Shack, spoke to Mark Grieger and he has removed about 30 with approximately 8 remaining and mainly bulls. Bat boxes when is the next workshop. Eagles in Palmer Hills. Helen said there is also a fledgling at Yookamurra. Mark Grieger says Regent parrots start breeding in April need to do the count earlier in the year.

Gavin – interpretive signs about Aboriginal people in the region. Shell Hill- discovered a site where there is a lot of wombat activity. Mannum waterfalls need trail signage.

Elisabeth will write a letter about the issues at the Mannum waterfalls and send to Aimee who will ask the chairman to proof and sign the letter before going sending to MM Council and we will ask Jo Clarke from EHGMPG to also do a letter of support.

Elisabeth – beehive going to put up a second storey

Steve Wilkinson – is on the working party on little corellas, numbers have been building over the years. Mannum Waterfalls paths are substandard and has complained to the council about it.

7. Members Reports

Ian – Region 6 MDA as a visitor to AGM, will go on annual conference at Dubbo. River running well, levels high, Lake Albert still high EC. Hume dam 91% full. Dartmouth 60% full. Water coming down the Darling will help flush out the system.

Tricia – Green Army Team finished and graduated yesterday. Friends of Brookfield have had their AGM, Tricia is now the chairman as a community member. Small donation from Matt Gorman to have a wombat forum. Chinese Tourism Company may come out to Brookfield – sunset tours translated into Chinese.

Rose – Went to frog workshop in Mannum, did some monitoring at home have 5 species of frogs in backyard. Wedge tailed eagle nest on property. Cambrai Agricultural Museum Committee found old council records

Gavin – attended the MMLAP AGM and the Landcare Association of SA AGM, met some interesting people and volunteered to support a stand at WOMAD. Visited Moorunde. Walked part of the Heysen Trail

Helen – on the 30th of October Yookamurra will host another Open Day with Shaun Moore an honours student as guest speaker. Getting pitfall traps ready for survey. 20 goats Tyson will round up. Brown Tree creepers nesting near house. School groups booked in for next few weeks, when doing scat project they found a dead Western Pygmy Possum

Date of next meeting: 13th October 2016 Venue: Mannum Meeting Closed: 12:10pm