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General Meeting Minutes: 7.30 PM Thursday 12th May 2016

Point Clare Girl Guides Hall

Cnr Brisbane Water Drive & Jirrah Ave Point Clare NSW 2250

Meeting started with President Rendall Wagner chairing the meeting.

There was a welcome to all members and visitors and the guest speaker environmental scientist Wendy Gillespie was introduced to the meeting.

In her address Wendy was gravely concerned about pollution emanating from two storm water drains which she considered were the main cause of pelican bird deaths in Brisbane Water. She had recorded at least 40 duck carcasses and numerous dead and dying pelicans in the vicinity of the storm water outfalls in Blackwall and Woy Woy. The foreshores between Woy Woy Lions Park and the main Blackwall drain near the boat ramp are often littered with sick and dead aquatic birds.

Ms Gillespie said she first approached Gosford Council about the appalling state of the drains three years ago when it was full to the top with red thick toxic algae backed up hundreds of metres in the drain. She considered the environmental supervision and management of the drains over time by Gosford Council and the EPA to be completely inadequate. The storm water drains have largely a roads & residential catchment which extend to the Everglades golf course & playing fields. These reclaimed lands were once tips which now carry high levels of nutrient and chemical leachate, in addition the Peninsula Leisure Centre was built on a contaminated disused service station site. Wendy stressed that constant monitoring is needed and the sampling of the storm water must be collected at the time of storm surges. The removal of the gross pollutant traps have resulted in all the pollutants flushed into the bay with every rain event.

The meeting was very concerned and saddened by what we had heard and had seen in the photographs. We wished Wendy well in her campaign to have these toxic outfall drains cleaned up and managed appropriately. The management committee agreed to provide a donation to assist her work in tagging and monitoring the pelican population of Brisbane Water.

The President, Rendall Wagner thanked Wendy for giving us some of her time and coming along to provide us with her very interesting presentation.

Thereafter the business of the General Meeting commenced.

A. Attendees: 16

B. Apologies Dixie Brown , Peter Kijurina, Melanie Rozema, Wendy Orchin, Mary Cesca.

C. Acceptance of Minutes: from March General Meeting 2016. This was corrected by the addition of Ms Lesley Brown to the list of apologies. Moved Rendall 2nd Helen

D. Treasurers Report: Brooke Stanford stated that there was a balance of \$3186.51 in the Cheque account and \$2894.99 in the Cash account (Total: \$6081.50).
Brooke moved the report by accepted 2nd Helen

E. Neighbourhood Watch Report: Wendy Orchin-Mary Cesca -were absent

F. Road Improvement Request Report: Cnr Brisbane Water Drive and Jirrah Ave, Point Clare. Jenny Carney reported that she had prepared a petition regarding the unsatisfactory oncoming traffic situation when attempting a turn at this intersection. As Brisbane Water Drive is a state govt. maintained road she is requesting local residents, sporting clubs using Fagan Park and the Orana Retirement Centre personnel sign this petition, so that Roads & Traffic authorities can be alerted to the need for urgent corrective safety management. It was suggested that if a roundabout was unsuitable then turning bays and slipways be considered as the current situation was causing enormous concern.

G. Bushcare Report: Ken Janson reported the Goodaywang Bushcare group meets at 9am every 3rd Sat of the month at the picnic area carpark near 'Marine Rescue' and we are involved in supervised weed removal and gathering in our local Point Clare reserve. Removal of asparagus fern, lantana, turkey rhubarb infestation and panakin weed seed heads are proceeding as native ground covers of violets and ferns are revealed. Numerous native and endemic species are being identified in this remnant bushland between the railway and estuarine foreshore.

New members are welcome and the dozen or so participants are provided with gloves and tools by council environmental staff (Anna or Lisa). It is a friendly social group finishing with a nice morning tea at the end of the morning session. Educational bushcare training is available and is provided to participants by the council environmental staff.

H. CORRESPONDANCE OUT:

1. Gosford City Council re Public Liability Insurance cover for meetings in Point Clare Community Hall for 2016/2017
2. Correspondence with Point Clare Community Hall Executive re Progress Association needing its own Public Liability cover to meet in Point Clare Community Hall 2016/2017
3. Anna.ZYCKI@rms.nsw.gov.au Invitation to be Guest Speaker July General Meeting Safety program for Brisbane Water Drive
4. paulshields40@hotmail.com Point Clare Community Hall President bookings for the year 2016/2017
5. . REPORT@SUBMIT.SPAM.ACMA.GOV.AU

CORRESPONDANCE IN:

1. email Lisa Aldred : enquiry of NHW large fires burning in neighbours backyard.
2. email Point Clare Community Hall re Public Liability Insurance needed to hire the hall.
Point.Clare.Hall@bigpond.com.au
3. email Gosford City Council /we need PLI to Hire Hall(not covered by councils)
Juana.Phillips@gosford.nsw.gov.au
- 3a. I threw a boomerang a few years ago. I now live in constant fear.
4. email Quotation for AJB ins for PLI \$10million \$673.53

5. Pearl Beach June Long Weekend Classical Music Festival reply for tickets
<mailto:lilli77@bigpond.com>
6. Invitation - COSS Connection and Land for Wildlife Information Event - Sun 29 May
reply for bookings Jane Smith <mailto:cen@cen.org.au>
7. RailNoise@transport.nsw.gov.au Complaint registered referred to train operator.
8. Placemaking Newsletter *Editor's note:* Registration for the 2016 Pro Walk/Pro
Bike/Pro Place Conference in Vancouver, Canada is now open! Register [here](#).
9. Darrell.Evans@uon.edu.au Boathouse Restaurant at Koolewong
I am majoring in Marine Science and Sustainable Resource Management. Can you help.
10. insurance@lcis.com.au PLI \$980.00
11. Community.Grants@gosford.nsw.gov.au SPECIAL EVENT: Free Workshop -
Building Citizen Centred Communities with Cormac Russell, 16 May 5pm -
12. Lucy.Wicks.MP@aph.gov.au How will the Budget benefit the Central Coast?
13. Veronica.Passoni@bambi.com.au Kids Church at St John's Anglican Point Clare
Church - Takari Ave, Point Clare NSW
14. Sharon.Moore@gosford.nsw.gov.au Gosford City Council Grants and Sponsorship
Programs Now Open
15. scot1rac@police.nsw.gov.au Just a quick reminder that the NHW meeting is
coming up on Saturday 21st May 2016.
16. Corinne.Thompson@rms.nsw.gov.au Intersection of Brisbane Water Drive and
Couche Crescent, Koolewong Only tow a way's are recorded.
17. justin@odysseyten.com Koolewong and Point Clare-Tascott Progress Association
website

I. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. **Website Manager** – a request was made for a member who had expertise to
assist in the maintenance of the KPCTA website.
- B. **Public Liability Insurance**-Meeting in Point Clare Community Hall. It appears
likely that we require this insurance policy if the progress association wishes
to hold meetings in the newly refurbished hall. The quotes for this type of
policy are in the range of \$600 - \$700.
- C. **Letter to Minister** Duncan Gay for better intersections on Brisbane Water
Drive. Petition regarding intersection at Jirrah Ave at Fagan Park being
organised by Jenny Carney.
- D. **Meeting at Gosford Sailing Club** for improvements for boaties at Brisbane
Foreshore Reserve.
- E. **Gosford and Wyong Amalgamation** – Request for a Ward System. As 15
councillors and a directly elected mayor will make up the new Central Coast
Council. The election to be held in August 2017. Three wards would enable
five councillors or five wards – three councillors to be elected.

Next Guest Speaker : TBA

CLOSE OF MEETING:

Minutes Secretary
Ken Janson

Next Meeting 14th July 2016.

Chairperson
Rendall Wagner

President
Rendall Wagner