

Tarrangower Cactus Control Group Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday 23rd April 2018

4.10pm Maldon Hotel

PRESENT: Lee Mead (President), Sharon Telford, Tony Kane, Jill Bathgate, Cheryl Kane, Noel Muller, Frances Wade,

APOLOGIES Rebecca James, Barry McKnight

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION that the minutes of the previous meeting 19th March 2018 be accepted

MOVED Cheryl Kane

SECONDED Jill Bathgate

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

1. Tarrangower Times Article - Lee submitted article re cactus being dumped at the Butts Reserve

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

1. Website redesign. The sub-committee met and decided on the content of the upgraded website. Still to meet with Stef. Lee to organise

GROUP PROMOTION AND SUSTAINABILITY

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Cochineal Nursery. Has been reseeded and growing well. Jill Lee and Cheryl shall be meeting bi-monthly to review and determine new site.
2. Cochineal Monitoring. Site at Duncan and Julie's is going well after five months. Contact with site holders needs to be maintained and education updated.

PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORT

1. Green Army update. NTR
2. MASC Local Laws review NTR. Cheryl is to enquire with MASC re roadside grants
3. Compliance (State Government). Lee has emailed Andy Steed and Andy is to advise of times available to meet. Committee members to be advised.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Correspondence for the period March to April not tabled

Maree Edwards has accepted the offer to attend the opening of the season and has offered to speak.

John McGlades sons have contacted Lee and arranged to have his two injectors swapped for working injectors.

TREASURERS REPORT

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MOTION that the Treasurers Report be accepted

MOVED Tony Kane

SECONDED Frances Wade

Carried

Funds remain in the Brochures to Landholders allocation total of \$400.00

MOTION that a postal mail out of wheel cactus brochures currently stockpiled to be sent to Maldon PO Boxes and the roadside postal run from Maldon post office.

MOVED Tony Kane

SECONDED Cheryl Kane

carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

1. Easter Parade

Committee members conveyed their congratulations to Ian for the work he did for the parade and being successful in winning first prize and the \$100 prizemoney. Thanks goes to all members that assisted and participated.

Sharon to the Maldon Primary school children thanking them for their participation through the Kidz Thrive program.

2. Field Day Launch – Cr Stephen Gardner accepted invite to open. Maree Edwards MP to attend and speak. Lee to prepare mugs and 2 pens as gifts.

3. Field Day Task list. Lee and Sharon to update and distribute to members.

4. New field day locations. Treloars Lane confirmed.

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

1. Permanent A frame posters re injecting techniques and safety precautions.

MOTION that TCCG donate \$50 to the Maldon Mens Shed for payment for A frames.

MOVED Tony Kane

SECONDED Jill Bathgate

carried

2. New Farm Fence Signs. McIntosh Signs have quoted less than \$50 each. Should we be successful in the MASC grant we can purchase.

GROUP PROMOTION AND SUSTAINABILITY

1. Future postal address / Post Office Box?

MOTION that we purchase a Post Office box from Maldon Post Office.

MOVED Lee Mead

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SECONDED Frances Wade

Carried

Sharon to organise and advise.

2. Media promotion – North Central Chat report and Carisbrook newspaper interview to be in edition 11th May.

MOTION that TCCG participate in the Tarrangower Times Volunteers Week edition and pay for an advertisement.

MOVED Tony Kane

SECONDED Noel Muller

Carried.

3. Vic. Regional Achievers Award entry- agreed not to enter this year

4. National Landcare Conference and Awards – 10-12 October 2018 in Brisbane. It is anticipated that there will be two funded positions available. Ian Grenda, Lee Mead, Tony and Cheryl Kane have expressed an interest in attending. Further discussion when details confirmed.

Lee to email invite to launch to all committee members,

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Hard copies of 'Opunitoid Best-Practice Manual' to Connecting Country/Maldon Library/MASC?

PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORT

1. MASC community grants – expected announcement end of May

2. Muckleford Landcare request for Injectors. Members have been unable to locate the two injectors they have previously been provided with and so they will purchase their own.

3. NCCMA Grant submission – Extension officer to develop integrated management with cochineal. Tony to determine if this grant could be of benefit to the cochineal program.

NEXT MEETING Sunday 27th May after the field day

MEETING CLOSED. 5:15

DATE	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION	PERSON	COMPLETED
March 2018	Website	Subcommitte to meet with Green Graphics. Content decided	Lee to organise	
	Cocnineal Nursery	Chery Lee and Jill to monitor and spread. Meeting bi monthly	Lee to organise	completed
	Green Army	Correspondence to Manpower at end of program	Sharon to organise	
	MASC Local Laws Review	Reminder email to be sent in 3 months i.e. June.	Cheryl to organise	
	Compliance	Meet with Andy Stead Maryborough DEDJTR	Lee to organise	

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	Correspondence	Andrew McConachie to be advised of possible fruit fly infestation	Lee to contact	
	New Sites	Any new sites identified	All members to advise Lee or Ian	
April 2018	MASC Roadside Grants	Need to enquire MASC	Cheryl	
	Postal Mail Out	Wheel cactus brochures currently stockpiled to be sent to Maldon PO Boxes and the roadside postal run from Maldon post office.	Tony ?	
	Easter Parade	Letter of thanks to Maldon PS students	Sharon	Completed
	Field Day Opening	Sharon and Lee to update task list and distribute	Lee and Sharon	Completed
	Post Office Box	Establish PO Box at Maldon PO. Updated publications etc	Sharon	Underway
	National Landcare Conference	Invitation to go to all members. Members to advise if wishing to attend	Lee	
	Opuntoid Best Practice Manual	Hard copies to go to Connecting Country/Maldon Library/MASC	Lee	