

Tarrangower Cactus Control Group Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday 26th August 2018

Historic Reserve Back Mount Rd Maldon – 24 people attended field day

PRESENT Tony Kane, Ian Grenda (Acting Chair), Cheryl Kane, Noel Muller, Rebecca James, , Neils Zahle., Sharon Telford Barry McKnight

APOLOGIES: Lee Mead (President), Frances Wade, Jill Bathgate Brian Thomas,

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION that the minutes of the previous meeting 29th July 2018 be accepted

MOVED Ian Grenda

SECONDED Cheryl Kane

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

- 1 Free Disposal Sign at tip – ongoing. Lee to ask MASC when she returns from holidays
2. Next Field Day Location New cactus volunteers Julie Anne & Stephen Rodgers of 24 Back Cairn Curran Rd have agreed to allow us conduct a field day on their property. Ian to look and see if suitable. Have been unable to contact Marleys of Seers Rd.

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

1. Landcare Week Market Stalls – Ian and Sharon have volunteered to assist at the Landcare stall at the Maldon Markets. Wheel Cactus model is a Lees place if needed.

GROUP PROMOTION AND SUSTAINABILITY

1. National Landcare Awards & Conference. Flights, accommodation and the conference are all booked for Lee, Ian and Tony to attend.
2. Hot Water. Ian investigating new burner. Has been suggested we look at purchasing a Butane fuelled burner.

MOTION that Tony to investigate and purchase a new BBQ and Hot Water Burner.

MOVED Noel Muller

SECONDED Cheryl Kane

Carried

Tony to make an application for a “Volunteer” grant for this purpose.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Spraying Cactus Piles. The first pile has been sprayed with Garlon and diesel mix and covered in plastic. Ian to monitor.

PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORT

1. MASC Local Laws review. Cheryl is still waiting to hear from MASC

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2. Compliance (State Government) – remains in progress. Letter is written but awaiting announcements of candidates. Connecting Country have offered to distribute to Landcare Groups. Mayor of Bendigo is interested in receiving a copy of the letter to see if she can assist. We may be best to include a paragraph on fruit fly due to the concerns of fruitfly in Harcourt Valley.

3. Football Club Fundraising. Ian to talk to Maldon Football Netball Club offseason. Noel shall make the same offer to the Maldon Mountain Bike Club.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Correspondence for the period June to July

Correspondence Out		
Date	To	RE
2 August	Connecting Country	Parks Vic managed land-response to request
19 August	Mark Green Manpower	Letter re Green Army program
Correspondence In		
Date		
31 July	Landcare	Grant success \$13,589
2 August	Connecting Country	Parks Vic managed land
9 August	Connecting Country	Landcarers Week – seeking volunteers for market stalls
11 August	Tarrangower Times	Meet and Greet new editor Barry Robinson

TREASURERS REPORT

MOTION that the Treasurers Report as tabled be accepted

MOVED Tony Kane

SECONDED Bec James

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

Facebook now has 18 followers and Bec has been posting items from the website. She will post some photos of today's activities.

Website. Sharon needs to look at making the new video loaded easier to find. Green Graphics are looking at adding a "Subscribe" function so that those who subscribe get a message every time a new post is loaded.

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1. Prison use of injectors. Prisoners from Loddon Prison shall be injecting cactus at Tarrangower Prison in the coming weeks. They currently have 5 injectors and Ian shall be lending them a further 5.
2. Water Monitor. Sharon has agreed to watch the kettles boil on field days.
3. Bec shall be attending the Australasian Weed Conference in Sydney next month and shall be presenting at the conference.

NEXT MEETING Sunday 30th September 2018 at the Maldon Croquet Club

MEETING CLOSED

DATE	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION	PERSON	COMPLETED
May 2018	MASC Local Laws Review	Reminder email to be sent in 3 months.	Cheryl	
May 2018	Wheel Cactus Piles in Park	To be covered and sprayed. Need to purchase Garlon and diesel	Ian	First pile done
June 2018	Election letters	Letters to politicians standing in the state election, and adjoining shires, requesting tougher penalties and better resourcing for weed management.	Lee and Sharon	
June 2018	New trailer	To be "branded" with local Landcare groups	Ian	
June 2018	Sign at Tip	Kill Cactus Sign to go to tip with "free disposal of Cactus" included	Lee	
July 2018	Compliance	Send injecting cost estimates to Andy Stead Maryborough DEDJTR	Lee	Costs for roundaup forwarded. Awaiting Garlon estimates
August	Purchase new BBQ and billy boiler	Investigate new stainless steel BBQ and new hot water boiler. Grant application to be made to cover costs	Tony	
	Football/Netball Fundraising	Ask the MFNC if they would like an opportunity to fundraise. TCCG to pay them to kill cactus	Ian	
	Maldon Mountain bike Club	Ask the Mountain bike club if they would like the opportunity to fundraise. TCCG to pay them to kill cactus	Noel	
	September field Day	Back Cairn Curran rd. Julie Anne and Stephen Rogers 0417 126 256	Ian	