



Greenwell Point Community Association

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Minutes of GPCA General Meeting Saturday 17 August 2019 held at the Hall

1. Meeting opened at 1.00 pm chaired by Grahame Ross

Present: Committee members Grahame Ross, Bob Williamson, Peter Talty, Ann Williamson plus Michael Kostiuk, Jan Goodwin, Shirley Hargreaves

Apologies: G Gardiner, N Wade, M Asper, M White, B Virtue, June Innes, Jeanette Kostiuk, Councillor Levitt

2. Grahame Ross went through the minutes of the last meeting and they were accepted. One item was raised by Bob W re the tree-logging on the first part of Greenwell Point Rd near the entrance to the RFS and Men's Shed. He noted that a letter had been received from Council saying that more comprehensive lopping would be done by November this year.
3. **The treasurer** (Ann W) gave her report and it is attached to these minutes. She noted that with the current level of advertising the Gazette will not cover printing costs. She said that the two local politicians (State and Federal) need to be pursued to continue with their usual adverts. It would be then closer to breaking even. Ann also said she would be billing advertisers up to the end of this year only – since we don't yet know if the Gazette will have a future beyond that. All agreed. Finally, she noted that the annual return to DFT would be done just after the AGM in September as usual.
4. **Correspondence in / out:** Grahame Ross highlighted one item which related to a business name registered many years ago but which to our knowledge has never been used. All agreed not to renew the registration. The name was "Greenwell Point Seafood Centre of the South Coast". Other reference was made to the many (over a hundred) emails received from various levels of government but which have no relevance to Greenwell Point usually, and also reference to the most recent DA's (development applications) for GP.
5. **Gazette:** the Gazette Editor was not present unfortunately. Peter T indicated that it is likely there will be an edition produced by early September which would include among other things a notice about the forthcoming AGM on 21 September at 2pm. Ann commented that the Gazette may end up being just an online publication if it cannot cover costs. Shirley suggested that in the September edition we should have a big notice asking for more advertisers.
6. **Gallery report** from Jan Goodwin: They had their AGM on 6 August – all positions filled. President: Jan Goodwin, Treasurer: Amanda Hutchinson; Secretary split three ways: minutes (Marion Walliss), Email (Amanda H), Newsletter (Margaret White). Three Committee are: Susan Hill, Gail Fitzgerald, Clare Smith.

Jan said that the Boomerang Bags project is coming together and will be ready soon for customers. From 2nd September the Gallery will again be open 4 days (Fri to Mon). Some of the members recently were invited by Shoalhaven Tourism to go on the whale-watching boat from Huskisson – and a great time was had by all. Membership is strong – heading towards 40. The next Committee meeting will be next Wednesday at 9am where they will

discuss a possible future without GPCA as the umbrella Association. Jan invited someone from the GPCA Committee to come along if they wish to assist the discussion and inform them about how Associations are run.

7. **Men's Shed report:** Bob W said the shed is getting ever closer to completion with about 12 items for him to tick off over the next few weeks hopefully. Membership is fairly steady around 40. Signage will be erected on the main road next to the RFS sign.
8. **Other business:**
 - Shirley pointed out that the white lines in the main boat/car parking area near Titania Park are almost invisible and need to be repainted. Bob W suggested that a "Snap/Send/Solve" action might be the best approach to get it on Council's list.
 - Ann said that we need to put a notice about the AGM up onto the public notice-boards at least 30 days prior to the AGM – so in the next week.
 - Bob spoke about the RFS manning issue. It seems that our RFS unit often does not have more than one person available in an emergency because all the others go to work and not locally. He said he has spoken to our RFS captain. Some other communities have been able to broaden the response team available by having lesser-trained people or alternately-trained people (like SES or Marine Rescue) on some sort of local emergency callout list. Bob said it might be possible to do that in GP – and if we don't then we run the risk of the RFS pulling out the equipment and resources they have here permanently.
9. Meeting closed at 2pm.

Next meeting: TBA

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(Treasurer's Report as a separate document)