



Get to the Point Programme (Inc.)

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Annual General Meeting held 20th July 2006

Meeting opened 7.05pm

PRESENT

A. Mayze, R Vaughan, T Fowler, L Eckersley, J Brown, B Oakman, M Delaney and V Farnham.

APOLOGIES

G Bannister, D McCorkell, M Oakman, L Kennedy, T LaHood and J Farnham.

President Allan Mayze welcomed the small gathering to the 2006 AGM.

Annual reports were read including notes via Email from the Secretary Graham Bannister re formal notice of resignation. Treasurer's report end of financial year assets of \$13962.35. Highlights and praise were extended to the Team leaders and outgoing committee leaders. Achievements throughout the year were discussed with a sense that GTTP has been a vital asset for the community with correspondence between the PCB and SCC. Special interest from the community with the local Gazette. An outline of responsibilities was presented for positions vacated. Minutes read from the last AGM, accepted V Farnham seconded A Mayze.

ELECTION

President Nomination R Vaughan from V Farnham seconded A Mayze

R Vaughan accepted and approved from those in attendance.

Secretary Nomination L Eckersley from V Farnham seconded G Banister (postal nomination)

L Eckersley accepted and approved from those in attendance.

Treasurer Nomination G Bannister from V Farnham seconded A Mayze.

G Bannister not in attendance position still vacant if not accepted.

Advised those in attendance position to be dealt with at next general meeting.

Congratulations to R Vaughan President, L Eckersley Secretary, Treasurer TBA.

Gazette Editor L Kennedy and M Delaney, assistance G Bannister.

Team leaders to discuss direction and needs for the coming year, possible joining teams together as a sub group for all positions.

R Vaughan and L Eckersley chaired the remainder of the meeting.

The Icon park naming is still in favour of Titania Park. A suggestion of inserting a brief history lesson in the Gazette may stir some interest from residents for support towards Council's acceptance. Proposal for outgoing members to sit with new personnel before the next general meeting to discuss changeover matters, current issues and strategies. Reply from SCC on tennis courts discussed and concern over possible fees being too low to cover maintenance costs.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Allan Mayze

Annual Report – 2005/2006

The Get to the Point Programme(Inc) has now been in operation for nearly four years. Whilst we initially operated under the stewardship of the *Greenwell Point Chamber of Commerce and Tourism* our most recent AGM in March 2005 saw the Programme established as an autonomous operation.

Since that meeting a small group of dedicated people have continued to work towards improving Greenwell Point for the community as a whole. Significant milestones and achievements include:

- Monthly publication of the local Gazette and maintenance of the web site and electronic mailing list which continue to maintain community awareness;
- Fund-raising arising from the efforts and enthusiasm of the Events Team, who organised the highly popular “*An Evening in Germany*” and other fund-raising events;
- Regular liaison, as the Principal Consultative Body for the area, with Shoalhaven City Council and participation in Council’s Natural Resources and Flood Plain Management Committee;
- Participation in an extensive review of options for the location of the boat ramp;
- Promotion of Greenwell Point as a potential location for a Shoalhaven marina;
- Finalisation of the Plan of Management for the Greenwell Point Foreshore Reserve together with a Landscape Master Plan for the foreshore and main street;
- Installation of a new entry sign, establishing model signage for Shoalhaven villages;
- Commencement of foreshore remediation and erosion measures following many years of lobbying Council; Stage 1 was completed earlier this year;
- Winding up and transfer of funds held in trust by the *Chamber of Commerce* was finalised.
- Reversal, following a strong lobbying campaign, of Councils’ decision to levy substantial rates charges on the local Scout Group.
- Organisation of several public meetings on topics ranging from overfishing of the Shoalhaven to the proposal for a tourist resort on Goodnight Island;
- Preparation of submissions to Council and NSW Government reviews on a range of issues;
- Provision of funding assistance to the local school and to the *Shoalhaven Marine Rescue Association*;
- Supply of bumper stickers and design of *Get to the Point* T-shirts to promote local businesses;

Despite our successes the level of community participation and interest from the community at large remains disappointing. Attendance at monthly meetings has been low apart from those occasions on which special topics have been scheduled.

Funding commitments by Council to Greenwell Point projects remains a major concern. It is easy to grow cynical when long promised developments fail to materialise, but behind the scenes we have established good working relationships with Council officers and tangible progress, as evidenced by the foreshore erosion and landscaping works is now becoming

apparent. Much of this progress can be attributed to our standing as a Principal Consultative Body.

All of the current committee are standing down and declaring themselves unavailable for further committee duties after this year's AGM. It is time for some new blood to take up the reins and to guide the Programme into the future.

The *Get to the Point Programme (Inc)* has great potential to give the community a focus for deciding how we want the village to develop in the future and turning those plans into reality. I hope that the community will get behind the incoming Committee and make things happen.

President,

Alan Mayze

20 July 2006