

**Minutes for the meeting of Victor Harbor Coastcare held in the  
Old School Building on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7.00 pm**  
(Number of participants limited to 13 due to COVID-19 restrictions for the use of the location)

1) **Welcome and those present** Richard House, Barb Francis, Andrew and Anita Leak, Murray and Janet Pettman, Harry Rake, Bill Eden, Richard and Rosene Edwards, Rebekah Vassos, Derek Sim, Derek Conroy.

2) **Apologies** Barbara Bond, Jeff McEvoy, Di Sinclair-Warren, John and Margaret Ray, Brian Doman.

3) **Overview of management of VHC during the COVID-19 close down.**

No physical meetings or working bees since March.

AGM successfully conducted electronically. Positions: President: Richard House, Secretary: Barb Francis, Treasurer: Andrew Leak, Publicity Officer: Anita Leak.

4) **Minutes of the AGM** 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Held by email due to COVID-19 restrictions.  
Jenny Jeffery added to list of participants.

*Motion:* The minutes of the meeting 15.04.2020 be approved as an accurate record.

*Proposed:* Derek Conroy      *Seconded:* Bill Eden      *Carried*

5) **Minutes of the previous meeting** 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020

*Motion:* The minutes of the meeting 18.03.2020 be approved as an accurate record.

*Proposed:* Anita Leak      *Seconded:* Derek Sims      *Carried*

6) **Business arising from the minutes** (not covered by other items on the agenda).

- a) Wildlife of Greater Adelaide book returned from Richard Edwards and borrowed by Rebecca Vassos
- b) \$250 donation given to Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. The sanctuary welcomes Coastcare visitors.
- c) Extra equipment to be purchased thanks to RAA grant, including tool belts, individual use tool boxes made by Richard House (\$16.60), 5 Fiskas brand frilling knives (Andrew Leak explained situation and to action,), 4 wide blade trowels (Anita Leak to action) and replacement of blunt saw blades (Richard Edwards/Anita Leak to action)

*Motion:* The above equipment to be purchased

*Proposed:* Derek Conroy      *Seconded:* Bill Eden      *Carried*

d) Email to be circulated for a walk and view of proposed bike/pathway from Hindmarsh Estuary to Investigator car park at Hayborough.

Suggested date Tues 23.06.2020 at 0900, meeting at Bus stop 3. Richard House to lead.

e) Weeds in Esplanade dunes as reported by Derek Conroy (succulents, acacia cyclops and olives). This will be addressed in conjunction with a future working bee.

7) **Financial report** Andrew Leak

a) Balance \$846.15 (= March meeting balance – expenses approved last meeting \$36.96  
-\$250 donation to Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary +\$500 RAA grant for tools  
+\$100 Council grant for volunteer appreciation +\$400 subscriptions +\$45 donations)

Term deposit with Beyond Bank \$3,199.43 @ 2.55% maturing 28/8/2019

We should be able to manage our expenditure until August with the \$246.15 that is 'useable' (i.e. not granted for specific purposes).

In August we can consider future needs and what to do with the rollover.

We should also know by then if Entertainment Book is likely to contribute anything.

b) Membership 43 (= March meeting – 3. Roy and Helen Jones and Louise Silver)

c) Expenses Anita Leak \$3.50 (Morning tea supplies)  
Richard House \$16.60 (Work boxes)

*Motion:* The above expenses of \$20.10 be approved.

*Proposed:* Andrew Leak      *Seconded:* Rosene Edwards      *Carried*

8) **Publicity and Facebook/Website** Anita and Andrew Leak

a) Publicity

No change to the places where posters are on display.

Brochures still to be redesigned,? replace penguin photo.

More of Richard's Dune Plants Guide taken to the SCEC office.

April/May newsletter emailed 25 April.

b) *The Times*

An article titled 'Coastcare comes out of hibernation' appeared in the *Times* on 11th June. This covered the anticipated involvement at the Kings Beach lookout and general Coastcare promotion.

A follow-up article is about the planting bee at the lookout expected on 18 June.

c) Entertainment Book posters up in RAA, SCEC and Raw. The book is now an app. \$70 per "book" with \$14 going to Coastcare. There have been some purchases already.

d) Facebook

Posts:

- Mar 30 COVID-19 update
- May 21 Richard's mini-kits
- Jun 3 Notice of Kings Beach working bee
- Jun 10 Report on Kings Beach working bee
- Jun 13 Entertainment membership promotion (posted to Victor Harbor and Surrounding Areas Community Board)

Plan to remove old photos from Memories pages.

e) Website

Home page 'Coming Events' kept up to date with COVID-19 advice.

Added over 100 photos.

Photos from Kings Beach lookout working bee added

f) Postponement of volunteer week sausage sizzle agreed upon.

## 9) Beach Pole Report

Andrew Leak

Graphs circulated

Sand height at Memorial Gardens at an all-time low

## 10) Working bees

a) Work done

a. **Watering bees at beach volley ball courts, 26<sup>th</sup> March, 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April.** Now finished.

b. **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** WA 1C Between the Tracks

New project area on the Bluff. Control of suckering sheoaks, olives and African daisies.

(This was the last activity before the close down for COVID-19.)

c. **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June** WA 58 King's Beach Road Rotary Lookout.

Site meeting with Rotary management and Council staff, and then planting bee.

(This was the first activity since the close down. Limited to 10 people.)

b) Work planned.

a. **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June** WA 40 Investigator Bank (east)

Planting NRM plants in the dunes to the east of the Investigator car park.

Volunteer needed to vet site in advance and collect guards/sticks that are no longer utilised.

b. **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July** 2 small groups of volunteers

i. WA 20 Bus Stop 3 embankment. Plant seedlings provided by the Council

ii. WA 16 Bridge Point. Gardening as required and plant pigface.

*Motion:* The working bees for June and July be divided into 2 distinct areas to allow each area to cater for 10 volunteers each.

*Proposed:* Rosene Edwards *Seconded:* Derek Conroy

*Carried*

Volunteers to contact secretary via email or text to secure a position for each working bee.

## 11) Other Business

a) New volunteers pending. Georgina Portus, Judith Adcock, Kristina Stradiotto, Robert Bull.

b) NRM now Landscape South Australia. We are in Hills and Fleurieu Region.

## 12) Correspondence

a) Emails received and forwarded to members

i) NRM Regional Landcare News – April, May and June

ii) SCEC Newsletter – April, May and June

iii) Sedge Snippet – April, May and June.

b) Other emails.

i) To members

(1) COVID-19 procedures for managing VHC and having AGM during lockdown.

- (2) AGM reports from Chairman and Treasurer.
- (3) COVID-Safe guidelines for coming out of lockdown.
- ii) To/from Council staff re the Rotary lookout.
- iii) Re the Encounter Bikeway between Hindmarsh Estuary and Investigator car park:
  - (1) To Hon David Speirs, Minister for Environment and Water requesting transfer of Crown Land.
  - (2) To Mayor and Councillors urging selection of Option 1 not Option 3 of proposals.
- iv) Questionnaire from Landcare Australia.

**13) Hours worked**

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Richard House 48, Nigel Ibbotson 6, Rosene Edwards 2, Janet Pettman 8, Murray Pettman 8, Derek Conroy 8, Harry Rake 6, Eric Everitt 6, Richard Edwards 11, Kevin Howard 2, Bill Eden 8, Ashley Picot 2, Derek Sim 4, Andrew Leak 37, Anita Leak 11, Trevor Brand 6, Barb Francis 7, Sam Blight 2, Rebekah Vassos 2. Total 184

**15) Next Meeting**      Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020.