

**Minutes of the meeting of Victor Harbor Coastcare held in the
Old School Building on Wednesday 17th July 2019 at 7.00 pm**

- 1) **Welcome and those present.** Richard House (Chairman), Bill Eden, Derek Sim, Eric Everitt, Richard Edwards, Rosene Edwards, Andrew Leak.

Richard House conducted a show and tell using plants and TerraCottem from the last working bee.

- 2) **Apologies** Barbara Bond, Jeff McEvoy, Di Sinclair-Warren, John Ray, Margaret Ray, Murray Pettman, Janet Pettman, Nigel Ibbotson, Derek Conroy, Anita Leak, Harry Rake, Julie Graham, Roy Jones, Brian Doman,

3) **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Motion: that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2019 be accepted as an accurate record with the following two amendments:

- a) Para 9e Other Business should read 'Richard Edwards requested ...' not 'Richard House requested.'
b) Para 11 Time Sheets should read 'Rosene Edwards 3.5, Richard Edwards 7.5' not Rosene Edwards 14.5'

Proposed: Bill Eden

Seconded: Rosene Edwards

Carried

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

- a) Andrew Leak confirmed that a sympathy card was sent to Bill Harvey-Crowson's wife, Jan.
b) Environmental Plan

Richard House reported that, at the last Council meeting, the Draft Environmental Management Plan 2019-24 was put out for public feedback until 26th July. Brian Doman is keen to consult with interested Coastcarers at 2pm on 23/7 or 24/7. Advise Richard House if interested in attending.

5) **Financial report**

- a) Balance

Andrew Leak

\$562.91

(= last month balance – expenses approved last month \$120.91

- Southern Volunteering (SA) subscription \$20

+ RAA Entertainment Book sales \$154).

Term deposit with Beyond Bank \$3199.43 @ 2.55% maturing 28/8/2019

Rollover decision to be made at next month's meeting.

- b) Membership

40 (= last month – 1 unfinancial)

- c) Expenses

Anita Leak \$3.50 (morning tea supplies)

Motion: that expenses of \$3.50 be approved.

Proposed: Andrew Leak

Seconded: Rosene Edwards

Carried

6) **Publicity**

- a) Anita Leak
b) Julie Graham

No report in Anita's absence.

No report in Julie's absence

Richard Edwards pointed out that the Coles noticeboard is probably too small for the A4 size Coastcare poster. Andrew Leak to follow up with Coles and also IGA.

- c) Andrew Leak

Facebook entries were posted for:

- i) the planting working bee on 10 July
ii) Richard House's talk to NPS on 18 July

7) Beach Pole Report

Andrew Leak reported little difference to sand heights at 4 of the 5 poles despite heavy seas in the last month. The pole at Memorial Gardens is now surrounded by about a metre of wrack, preventing the usual measurement.

The council were commended for work in pushing wrack up to the dunes at the Inman River end of the Esplanade beaches in addition to their usual work at the Causeway end.

8) Working bees

a) Work done.

- a. **Sunday 23th June** WA 13 Club Dunes.
Planting near beach volley ball courts.
and planting at WA 16 Bridge Point.
- b. **Wednesday 10th July** WA 31 Hayborough East dunes
Planting in area at far end of Investigator car park. 150 plantings. Ozathamnus, Poa,, Dianella and Muntries with TerraCottem pills in big bowls. Filled in spaces where previous plantings had died – notably Leucopogons. Extended previous planting area eastwards.

b) Work planned

- a. **Sunday 28th July** WA 31 Hayborough East dunes.
Finish off planting (50 plants) at the far end of Investigator car park.
Richard House, Bill Eden and Derek Sim should be enough to complete planting.
and WA 8 Kent Reserve
Weed control in dunes from the boat ramp heading South.
All other volunteers welcome. Andrew Leak to collect kits.
Meet near Kent Reserve boat ramp at 10 am.
- b. **Wednesday 14th August** WA 16 Bridge Point
Weeding and pruning. Leave prunings for council collection.

9) Other Business

a) Possible website project with UniSA students.

Andrew Leak reported that, following a prompt from Gayl Males, an invitation has been received from UniSA School of Creative Industries regarding involvement in their Sustainable Online Community Engagement (SOCE) project to provide students with website design projects that also benefit non-profit organisations such as Coastcare. The website would be designed and hosted for three years at no cost to Coastcare. After discussion it was agreed that Andrew and Anita Leak would provide the sample information that SOCE need to select suitable applicants. Richard House to supply files for flyer and plaques. If Coastcare is selected, travel to Magill Campus will be necessary on 6/8, 27/8, 29/10 and a date in January for training in website maintenance.

As a by-product of providing sample information it is necessary to:

- i) Register the Victor Harbor Coastcare logo with the National Landcare Directory.
 - ii) Set up a Victor Harbor Coastcare email address
- b) Richard House presentation of his talk *Your Dunes My Dunes* will be given to the Native Plants Society on Thursday 18th July at Encounter Centre 7.30. All welcome.
 - c) Eric Everitt questioned whether the RAA have a display copy of the Entertainment Book. Anita Leak to follow up. There are still four books available for sale.
 - d) Richard Edwards noted that the Hindmarsh River mouth has changed direction and may threaten vegetation on the spit.
 - e) From a suggestion that came from Gayl Males, there was discussion regarding a 'drain sock' that involves a net at the end of a stormwater drain to catch plastics etc. before being washed into river or sea. Knowing that stormwater management planning is about to be reviewed, it was agreed to discuss with Brian Doman whether Coastcare could have some monitoring role.

10) Correspondence

- a) Emails received and forwarded to members
 - i) Regional Landcare News, June 2019.
 - ii) Sedge Snippet – July edition
 - iii) SC Environment Centre July newsletter
 - iv) NRM eNews Winter edition.
- b) Other.
 - i) Letter from NRM confirming insurance cover.
 - ii) Email from Adelaide Uni re students doing web sites.
 - iii) Email to Tony Burfield asking if he wishes to continue membership.
 - iv) Communication with Corey Jackson re supply of plants.

11) Hours worked Richard House 21, Bill Eden 4.5, Derek Sim 3, Richard Edwards 9, Rosene Edwards 3.5, Andrew Leak 11, Anita Leak 2, Trevor Brand 2, Bob Jeffery 2, Derek Conroy 2, Harry Rake 2, Ashley Picot 2, Eric Everitt 1, Total 63

12) Next Meeting Wednesday 21st August. Andrew Comas in attendance. (Discuss summer watering programme).