

Batavia Coastcare Network (BCN)

Meeting Minutes

Vanessa McGuiness | Secretary



Meeting location: City Hive (184 Marine Terrace)

Meeting Time/ Date: 5:00pm 24th Aug 2017

Meeting Commenced at 5:10pm

<u>Present:</u> Mike Dufour, Wendy Payne, Mic Payne, Sean Hickey, Vanessa McGuiness
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<u>Apologies:</u> Dave O'Meara, Mark Reid, Heike Witt, Mark Canny	<u>Chair:</u> Mic Payne
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<u>Guests:</u>	<u>Secretary:</u> Vanessa McGuiness
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1 Agenda

- Minutes from previous meeting (June)
- Actions from previous minutes
 - Dune Signage Update (SH)
 - Articles for Geraldton Guardian (WP)
- Tarcoola Beach site plan (SH)
- Meeting site for next time (SH)
- WA Landcare Network membership proposal (MP)
- Landcare Network funding for Marine Debris (MP)
- Reports
- Correspondence
- General business

2 Minutes from previous meeting

July's meeting did not occur due to lack of a quorum. Acceptance of minutes from June meeting

Moved by: Mic P

Seconded by: Mike D

3 Actions from previous minutes**3.1 Dune Signage Update**

- a. **Mic P:** Gathered information on "what dunes can do for you." Mike D contacted for capital nomination forms for coastal signage to be taken into consideration out of CGGs 17/18 budget.
- b. **Vanessa M:** Add examples of coastal signs on the resources page of the BCN website via Facebook album– ongoing.
- c. **Sean H:** Provided objectives for coastal dune signage: Communication to the public is paramount with main focus on beach-goers and sustainable use of the beach.

Broad support from the Committee to install signage on dune and coastal processes and begin to move forward on this. Quote for design for the signs (\$700) (See Correspondence In & Out). Project idea to up-cycle surfboards as a base for signs at popular locations (eg. Back Beach).

ACTION: VM to send WP NACC Grants Application

3.2 Articles for the Geraldton Guardian - ongoing

Wendy P to write an article for the Geraldton Guardian regarding ORVs with photos (squished birds, crabs) – ongoing. Including articles for Boxthorn. Looking at end of September onwards for time to write articles.

4 Tarcoola Beach site plan (SH)

Areas/sites of concern must work in conjunction with CGG management plans. Concerns at Tarcoola beach need to be pitched to the BCN committee with intention to apply for funds for a site plan (eg. NACC Quick Step). Dave O has been used as a contractor in the past for developing site plans.

The Aboriginal Native Title process is currently underway in the region and communicating with YMAC must also be considered in the future with any on-ground works/site plans.

5 Meeting Site – next month? (SH)

Great idea. On the back burner for now until the group has become more established.

6 WA Landcare Network membership proposal (MP)

ACTION: Mic P to ask for a distilled version from WA Landcare Network on what membership for BCN entails.

7 Landcare Network funding for Marine Debris (MP)

EOI out for landcare funding for projects \$5-\$15K – project proposal for Big Beach Clean Up to be bigger and better in 2018 with the support from BCN.

ACTION: Vanessa M to look into it.

8 Reports

8.1 Chair

MP has been on leave. The recent wild weather has played havoc with the Cape Burney reveg, a busy bee is required to remove tree guards and dig out some buried plants. Sand trap fencing and/or brushing needs to be installed ASAP before further strong winds. Despite this survival is good and the Nitraria look good. Landcare is taking some welcome notice of Coastcare and may become another source of funding in the future.

Update: Busy Bee was a success – 2 sand trap fences in and guards removed. Thanks to all who came out.

8.2 Treasurer/Secretary

Facebook page steadily growing – get on board!

Website: Coastcare Resources from NACCs NARvis soon to be added. Resources can be viewed at <http://www.narvis.com.au/coastcare-resources/>

8.3 City of Greater Geraldton Rep

- CHRMAP Community Consultation to occur mid-October. Community will prioritise values along the coast in this process
- Ross McKim new CEO
- CGG Application in for NACC's Coastal Community Grants (Separation Point Dune Rehab).

9 Correspondence In & Out

9.1 **MP & WALN** – invite for the BCN to join WALN (Attached email).

9.2 **MP & MD** - Beach Wrack Signs: There are no copyright or IP issues that accompany this sign other than the reasonable expectation that the content remains unchanged especially the NACC and CFOC logos. Signs installed elsewhere have had the local coastal manger logo add to them as well. NACC does not have the original design files but can hopefully access them if required. NACC and BCN committee members could provide advice on possible sign locations however, CGG will no doubt have a record of calls from the public to remove “nuisance” beach wrack so any location where there has been repeated calls for this to happen would be a good candidate for one of these signs.
Development of these signs can come under the CGG's capital nomination works.

ACTION: MP to send Mic D Beach Wrack Signs

9.3 Landcare Network funding for marine debris projects

9.4 Quote for cartoon dune sign design ~\$700 from Jason Sampson

10 General Business

10.1 NACC's Coastal Community Grants Program (projects \$2000 to \$10,000) open now. Quick Step Grants Program (up to \$2000) open for the 2017-18 year.

10.2 Coastcare plantings – Pt Moore and Sunset Beach- any feedback? - *Discuss next meeting with reps from community groups*

Meeting Closed: 6.00pm

Next Meeting: 28 Sept 17, 5pm CityHive