

BASSENDEAN PRESERVATION GROUP INC.**Meeting Agenda**www.bpginc.info

Date: 12 August 2009

Held at the Activity Room #1 at the new Library

46 Old Perth Rd. Bassendean

Meeting Opened: __ : __ PM



Present: (*tick as appropriate*) Maggie Amy, Carle & Ted Bentley, Lynne Gaul, Claire Hall, Natasha Kepert, Mick Ireland, Steve McFarland, Shirley McManus, Elaine Newman, Greg Peterson, Catherine & Ron Van Delft, Danielle Witham.

1. Apologies: Greg Peterson.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (8 July 2009): _____ moved that the minutes as presented be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Bassendean Preservation Group meeting for the month of July. Seconded by _____. Carried.

3. New Members: _____. _____ moved they be welcomed, _____ seconded. Carried.

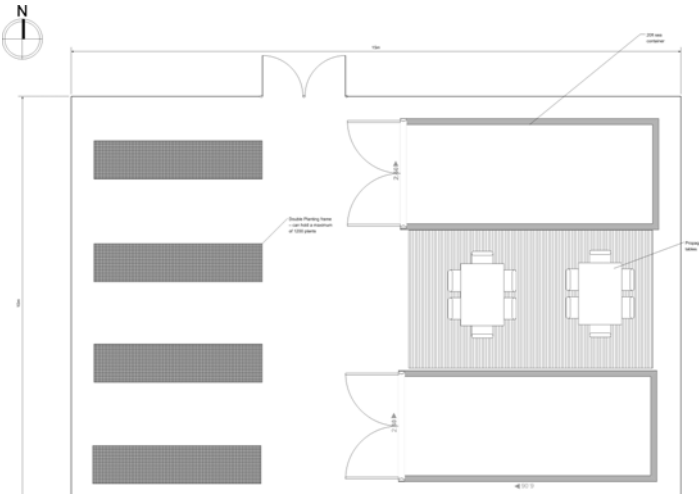
4. Bickies for the next meeting: _____



















5.1 2009 Plantings Activities:

- 12 July 20 BPG volunteers quickly planted 572 natives at Ashfield Flats in perfect weather conditions, followed by Maggie's delicious BBQ.
- At this point the plant count remaining for the next planting at Bindaring was at about the 150 mark, hardly enough for the seasoned BPG professionals to show up. TofB kindly offered BPG an additional 285 to make a day of it.
- Claire spotted a plant sale at APACE and Steve consulted the Executive before ordering an additional 450 natives for Mick to pick up for the second Ashfield Flats planting day.
- 7 August TofB unexpectedly donated an additional 1045, mostly reeds and sedges. Mick and Steve sorted the allotment out between Bindaring and Ashfield and revised the planting program.
- 9 August 13 BPG members planted a record 960 plants in less than two hours at Bindaring, again in perfect weather and followed by Maggie's BBQ, ably assisted by Yvonne.

The latest schedule is (always check the website):

Date	Location	Planted on the day
28-Jun-09	Fairford Street Drain and Broadway Arboretum DRJs. Completed	351
1-Jul-09	EHPS Project at Jubilee completed	131
12-Jul-09	Ashfield Flats, first half completed	572
26-Jul-09	Bindaring Park re-scheduled to let TofB touch-up the preparation works	
9-Aug-09	Bindaring Park completed	960
16-Aug-09	Ashfield Parade - DRJs	
23-Aug-09	Ashfield Flats, second half	

5. Active BPG Projects	Action
<p>5.1 BPG Grow Centre</p> <p>BPG's planting activities have increased tenfold in recent years. The logistics of cleaning and sterilizing 1000's of pots, then filling them with soil, planting the seeds, watering, thinning and ultimately sorting out and tagging for distribution to the various parks and reserves on planting days are immense. It's too much to expect one person to accommodate this at their house and it's impractical to manage if geographically diversified.</p>  <p>With Mick's departure as host for the nursery, BPG needs a dedicated central compound where all members can undertake these activities. The sketch shows what this might look like. There are two 20' sea containers to store the plant and catering trailers, BBQ, trestle tables, Hamilton and Pottiputski tree planters, the marquee, four-wheel carts, soil bags, fertiliser, vermiculite, pots, bleach, trays, plant tags and all the rest. The four double racks hold up to 4800 plants, and there's room for another rack if required. Watering will be by automatic timed mist reticulation.</p> <p>Councillor Don has asked for a report on the feasibility of siting the compound at the Bassendean Depot. Another option is to approach DPI about a site such as the disused BBCG site on Benara Road.</p> <p>BPG members' input is sought on this important development.</p>	
<p>5.2 Teachers Environment Fund Grant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Done for this year. Maggie is preparing a proposal for next year. 	
<p>5.3 The BPG Website Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 	
<p>5.5 Planting at Success Hill:</p> <p>SHAG announced a planting day for 26 July at Success Hill. The event was thwarted at the last minute by a reported breakdown in the consultation process. One story is that a member of the Nyoongar Community felt left out of the process and called a halt. Another is that a local resident circulated a false rumour that genetically modified plants were going to be planted, thereby threatening the genetic purity of the Success Hill vegetation community. The plants falsely referred to as GM are the ALCOA Dieback Resistant Jarrahs. The DRJs are ordinary Jarrahs that have been found to have a naturally occurring resistance to the Dieback fungus and have been propagated and distributed to community groups to see how they do in various environments. They are an important tool in the fight against Dieback, and Success Hill is an ideal environment for them.</p> <p>Steve picked up the 128 DRJs SHAG was unable to plant.</p>	

<p>5.6 Fairford Street Drain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Done for this year and will be removed from BPG Active Projects until next year. 										
<p>5.7 Dieback Resistant Jarrahs at Broadway Arboretum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Price and product availability expected next week. 										
<p>5.8 Dieback in Bassendean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden mulch program concerns? 										
<p>5.9 Implement the Vision at Broadway Arboretum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website went live on 6 August. Check it out at: http:// www.broadwayarboretum.info • Ron is going to reschedule the Official Opening day at Broadway. Apparently the proposed 6 August date fell in the middle of Local Government Week. 										
<p>5.10 Plant List:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of compiling best seed gathering dates on BPG – Local Species List. 	<p>Claire is pursuing.</p>									
<p>6. Correspondence Out:</p>	<p>Action</p>									
<p>a)  Email from Claire in response to an email from TofB asking BPG to include an area next to the boardwalk in next year's planting at Ashfield Flats.</p>										
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<p>7. Correspondence In:  - <i>Requires attention indicated</i></p>	<p>Action</p>									
<p>a)  A lot of membership renewals.</p>	<p> - To Treasurer.</p>									
<p>b)  a completed Broadway Arboretum – Questionnaire.</p>	<p> - To Ron?</p>									
<p>c)  Flier with a schedule of walks and talks in the Gosnells area.</p>										
<p>d)  Tax receipt for CCWA membership.</p>										
<p>e)  Video on Swan Canning Tributary Foreshore Assessment Project July 2008.</p>										
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<p>_____ moved to accept the Correspondence Out and In. _____ seconded. Carried.</p>										
<p>8. Treasurer's Report: BPG Inc</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Bank Balance</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">_____ -</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="text-align: right;">_____ -</td> </tr> </table>	Bank Balance	\$	_____ -	Petty Cash			Total	\$	_____ -	<p>_____ moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, _____ seconded. Carried.</p>
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9. Business Arising from Minutes and Other Business: <i>These are standing items and are included on the agenda as a memory prompt. There is no obligation to discuss each item and In the interest of time if there has been no activity to report on a particular item it is suggested that the item be passed over until the next meeting. If no activity has occurred over the course of three meetings, the item will be dropped.</i>	Action
9.1 Broadway Arboretum Loss of Species:	
9.2 New EO for TofB: Steve McCabe is the new EO. A meeting's set for next Tuesday 9:00am to open discussions.	
9.3 Ashfield Redevelopment Plan:	
9.4 BPG's Awards on Letterhead: Complete.	
9.5 BPG Planting Tools: T7 Hammies arrived along with 40 pots. John and Steve tried it out and they work fantastically. John has since shifted at least 50 Flooded Gum volunteers using the T7 from a natural nursery area he discovered to more appropriate spots around the Flats.	Steve still to purchase the Pottiputski.
9.6 BPG 2009 AGM: Scheduled for 9 September.	
9.8 TofB Local BioDiversity Project: Ron to report on status of committee.	
9.9 Restoration of Victoria's Native Bush:	
9.14 Environmental Advisory Committee:	
10. Next Meeting: 9 September 2009 after the AGM	
11. Closure: The meeting closed at ____ pm	