

## Bowning & Bookham Districts Landcare Group Meeting

Location: Bowning Hotel  
Date of meeting: 18 July 2013  
Time of meeting: 7.15 pm

### Minutes

No.	Item	Details	Action
1.	<b>Welcome to new members and guests &amp; Attendees</b>	Alan Cole Landcare Support Officer Murrumbidgee Landcare Inc. welcomed new attendees Elizabeth Goodfellow and Mark Bosma.  Attendees: Matt Doyle, Tony Folkand, Gary Armour, Hanise Armour, Keith McGrath, Elizabeth Goodfellow, Mark Bosma, Alan Cole, Kathryn & Richard McGuirk, Melinda Johnson (Guest) confirmed on attendance sheet.	
2.	<b>Apologies</b>	David Tuff, Steven & Kathryn Griff, Jan Young, Jackie Kuiters	
3.	<b>Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	The minutes from the 20 June meeting were confirmed as correct, moved by Tony Folkand and seconded by Kathryn McGuirk	
4.	<b>Matters Arising from Previous Meeting</b>	Alan Cole, Tony Folkand, Kathryn & Richard McGuirk met on 4 July to discuss some of the issues raised at the first meeting on 20 June. These	

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		issues will be discussed at this meeting for endorsement by the whole group.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Election of Committee Members</b>	<p>Melinda Johnson was asked to take over the meeting so that officer bearer elections could be held.</p> <p>Nominations were called for Chair - Alan Cole was nominated by Gary Armour and seconded by Matt Doyle.</p> <p>No further nominations for president were made. Melinda asked if the persons present supported this nomination. There were 9 positives and no objections.</p> <p>Nominations were called for Secretary - Kathryn McGuirk was nominated by Alan Cole and seconded by Matt Doyle</p> <p>No further nominations for Secretary were made. Melinda asked if the persons present supported this nomination. There were 9 positives and no objections.</p> <p>Nominations were call for Treasurer - Mat Doyle was nominated by Alan Cole and seconded by Tony Folkard</p> <p>No further nominations for Treasurer were made. Melinda asked if the persons present supported this nomination. There were 9 positives and no objections.</p>	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Officer/s report</b>	Melinda stated that the CMA operates until 30 December 2013 than the new LLS scheme takes over. Fiona Leech from DPI will be joining the new South	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Melinda Johnston MCMA</i></li> </ul>		

		<p>East LLS and the offices are likely to be in Mitchell Street. The South East LLS will cover from Cooma Queanbeyan, Murrumbateman, Yass Bowning, Binalong Bookham and Boorowa. Harden is likely to be in the Riverina LLS. On 26.7.2013 a meeting is being held to discuss the new Catchment action plan.</p> <p>Funding is expected to commence in mid August 2013 for projects which Connect / Protect Remnant Vegetation or address Erosion control. The LLS will move to management agreements rather than the existing 10 year contracts. The Management Agreements will impose fewer restrictions on how the farmer/grazer manages their property.</p> <p>Funding for the ongoing monitoring of the Box Gum Grassy Woodland Project has not been assigned to any government agency at this time</p> <p>There was general discussion about what Greening Australia and the Pasture Protection Boards could offer. For example Matt Doyle stated that Greening Australia's Whole of Paddock Rehabilitation Project WOPR had been undersubscribed thus persons interested could approach Greening Australia if they were interested in direct seeding along contour lines in paddocks which could be locked up for 5 years.</p> <p>Matt also mentioned that Greening Australia has a new program Rivers of Carbon which looks at eroded creeks and rivers and provides trees for</p>	
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	<i>Alan Cole, MLI Representative</i>	<p>planting. Greening Australia may also have a new Whole of Farm project focus.</p> <p>It was suggested that a representative from Greening Australia be approached to come to the future meeting</p> <p>Tony Folkard stated that the RLPB has fox or rabbit baiting programs twice a year. He is also having a rabbit management process on this property later in the month and would forward details on its timing if persons were interested in seeing this system.</p> <p>The Murrumbidgee Landcare Business Manager position / Regional Landcare facilitator position is currently being advertised however this role may be for the Riverina LLS. The next Landcare conference is scheduled for 22-23 August 2013, at Junee, all welcome to attend.</p>	<p>AC to approach GA to speak at next meeting to outline their programs</p>
7.	<b>Group Name</b>	The name of the group was agreed to be <b>Bowning-Bookham Districts Landcare Group.</b>	
8.	<b>Annual Subscriptions</b>	It was agreed that the membership rates for the Bowning-Bookham Districts Landcare Group would be \$20 per member/family.	AC to draft a subscription invoice, MD to review.
9.	<b>General Business</b>	Gary Armour suggested that John Featherstone be approached to discuss the best way to collect native seed.	GA to contact John



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		<p>Gary Armour also suggested that Leon Gary on Binalong Road be approached to talk at a future meeting.</p> <p>Kathryn McGuirk to approach Greening Australia and Yass Landcare to see if we can have a join seeding day at Transgrid in October 2013</p>	<p>Featherstone re native seed collection GA to contact Leon Gary</p> <p>KM to organize Seeding Day</p>
10.	<p><b>Closure &amp; Date &amp; Place of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Next Meeting Date:</p>	<p>Meeting Closed 9.15 pm.</p> <p><b>The next meeting will be held on 19 September 2013 6.30 for dinner, 7.15 for meeting start at the Bowling Hotel</b></p>	

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