



**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group**

Held at 455 North Maleny Road, Maleny on
Thursday 8th November 2012.

The meeting commenced at 6.38 pm. Chaired by Peter Stevens.

0058.1 Welcome and Apologies

Attendance:

Peter Stevens	<i>President</i>
Steve Skull	<i>Vice-President</i>
Gillian Pechey	<i>Secretary</i>
Mark Amos	<i>Coordinator (LBCCG)</i>
Steven Lang	<i>Committee Member</i>
Marek Malter	<i>Committee Member</i>
Paul Gilmour-Walsh	<i>Member</i>

Apologies: K. Schelberg, A. Powell, S. Duncan.

**0058.2 Minutes of previous Ordinary Meeting of Lake Baroon Catchment
Care Group held on Thursday September 20th 2012**

Minutes tabled.

Moved Steven Lang seconded Gillian Pechey that the Minutes of the previous meeting as circulated be accepted.

CARRIED

0058.2.1 Business arising

Amendment; Insert 'not' in 0057.4.1 to read '*have not been submitted*'.

Moved Steve Skull, seconded Peter Stevens.

CARRIED

President spoke regarding the issue of additional administration funding. He advised the Committee that he has received a phone call from Peter Purnell (Seqwater) confirming that he has approved funding of \$20,000, \$10,000 of which is for administration funding.

0058.3 Correspondence

Correspondence tabled.

Moved Gillian Pechey, seconded Steven Lang that the Correspondence be received and endorsed.

(See attachment 1: Correspondence)

CARRIED

0058.4 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer absent from meeting.
Financial Report tabled.

0058.5 Reports

0058.5.1 Hinterland Bush Link

Report tabled.

(See Attachment 2)

0058.5.2 LBCCG Catchment Coordinator Report

Mark presented a Powerpoint presentation to the meeting.

(See Attachment 3)

Moved by Mark Amos, seconded Peter Stevens that the Reports be accepted.

CARRIED

0058.6 General Business**0058.6.1 Upper Lawley Creek Field Walk**

The Field Walk was organised for the LBCCG Committee, Project Partners and landholders to view progress and explore the Keton property. A further Field Day will be conducted once all on-ground activities are completed probably in mid-2013.

The Committee thanked Mark for the organisation behind the walk down Lawley Creek on 19th October. Next LBCCG Field Walk scheduled for January or February 2013, likely to be Arley Creek project site.

0058.6.2 Hinterland Bush Links and LBCCG Tool Trailer.

The Committee agreed to make the trailer available to HBL if required. Mark to manage loan.

0058.6.3 Project Proposal: Restoring Bridge Creek.

Restoring Bridge Creek is a project that has followed on from the very successful (so far) Upper Lawley Creek. An opportunity to work with a committed landholder (Garry Smith) linking the remnant vegetation on the Keton property and constructed wetlands on Sunshine Coast Council property on the edge of the Rangeviews Estate received funding once again through the Community Action Grants program. LBCCG (Seqwater) funding is being sought to expand the project's activities and provide maintenance to ensure successful outcomes.

Mark tabled the Project Plan, presented a Powerpoint presentation and spoke to the proposal. Discussion and questions followed.

Moved Steve Skull, seconded Steven Lang that the Committee approve this project.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group will be held
Thursday December 13th 2012.

The Office is at 455 North Maleny Road. (5494 3775)

Confirmed this _____ day of _____ 20

Signature of President _____

Attachment 1: Correspondence

Inwards Correspondence from 21st September 2012			
Date	Notes	Action	Person
21-Sep-12	J. Bateman - maintenance & planting 1112-005 (\$1,330.00)	Pay	DB
24-Sep-12	Totem Fauna & Flora - tubestock 1112-002 (\$2,376.00)	Pay	DB
24-Sep-12	Totem Fauna & Flora - tubestock 1213-003 (\$1,980.00)	Pay	DB
27-Sep-12	P & K Nash - Waterway crossing Invoice 1213-003 (\$6,875.00)	Pay	DB
27-Sep-12	Barung - weed management 1112-005 (\$2,300.00)	Pay	DB
27-Sep-12	Barung - weed management & watering 0708-005 (\$1,080.00)	Pay	DB
30-Sep-12	Maree Pryor - Landcare Call for Action	Circulate	MA
01-Oct-12	Telstra - September mobile account (\$30.00)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	Topnotch - September Account (\$160.00)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	Michael Harper - Audit (\$440.00)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	M. Amos - diesel reimbursement 026 RUQ (\$88.01)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	Telstra - Aug-Sep Account (\$157.28)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	ATO - BAS Statement	Complete	DB
04-Oct-12	MCU - Statement of Accounts - September	Reconcile	DB
04-Oct-12	Maleny Town & Country - September Account (1112-005 \$24.80)	Pay	DB
04-Oct-12	Noosa Landcare - Spring Newsletter	Circulate	GP
04-Oct-12	PICSE - Science - Taking You Places 2012 Magazine	Circulate	GP
08-Oct-12	Berwicks - Printer hire (\$98.23)	Pay	DB
11-Oct-12	BMRG - Membership 2012-13 (\$10.00)	Pay	DB
11-Oct-12	BMRG - Invitation to 2012 AGM (2/11/2012)	Circulate	GP
12-Oct-12	M. Amos - AGM food reimbursement (\$140.60)	Pay	DB
15-Oct-12	Barung - tubestock 1112-005 (\$57.75)	Pay	DB
17-Oct-12	Totem Fauna & Flora - site preparation 1112-002 (\$475.20)	Pay	DB
17-Oct-12	Totem Fauna & Flora - site preparation 1213-003 (\$402.60)	Pay	DB
18-Oct-12	Barung - revegetation 1112-002 (\$4,207.50)	Pay	DB
18-Oct-12	Barung - maintenance 1112-002 (\$1,200.00)	Pay	DB
18-Oct-12	Barung - revegetation 1213-003 (\$8,362.80)	Pay	DB
18-Oct-12	Sunshine Coast Council - Mary Cairncross redevelopment	Circulate	GP
18-Oct-12	M. Amos - Diesel reimbursement (\$91.50)	Pay	DB
18-Oct-12	MCU - Notice of AGM (10/11/12)	Circulate	GP
21-Oct-12	Garry Smith - Project & Field Walk thanks	Circulate	MA
22-Oct-12	M. Amos - Field Walk catering reimbursement 1112-002 (\$265.75)	Pay	DB
23-Oct-12	Seqwater - Improving Payment Process	File	MA
23-Oct-12	Sommer Bros - laneway hardening 1112-006 (\$37,042.40)	Pay	DB
24-Oct-11	Telstra - Sep-Oct Account (\$199.38)	Pay	DB
25-Oct-12	Barung - Notice of AGM & Landsborough nursery 3/11/12	Circulate	GP
29-Oct-12	Penny Hall BMRG GM - Response to LBCCG invitation to visit	Circulate	GP
31-Oct-12	J. Bateman - maintenance, fence repairs 0708-005 (\$525.00)	Pay	DB

31-Oct-12	J. Bateman - maintenance, re-planting 1112-005 (\$1,137.50)	Pay	DB
31-Oct-12	J. Bateman - weed management 0910-013 (\$210.00)	Pay	DB

Outwards Correspondence from 21st September 2012			
Date	Notes	Action	Person
21-Sep-12	M. Amos - reimbursement virus software (\$52.80)	Paid	DB
27-Sep-12	Barung letter of support for Gardens For Wildlife application	Sent	PS
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Attachment 2: HBL Project Manager Report

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The Hinterland Bush Links project is appreciative of the support offered by LBCCG as a host body for the Sunshine Coast Council community partnership.

An employment contract is in place for the coordinator position.

PROGRESS REPORT

The minutes from the last two HBL Advisory Group meetings (Sept & Oct) are attached. These outline progress in September and October.

Events:

Workshops:

- Creating wildlife habitat in your backyard (14 attended)
- Bush restoration in a privet landscape (23)
- Weed vine control in the Cambroon wildlife corridor (24)

Roving Restorers days:

- Bushcare's Major Day Out - Crystal Waters (18)
- Booloumba Ck - HBL launch site, Cambroon (3)

Little Yabba Bushcare Group: two working bees.

Planning:

Work continues to restore a key linkage between the Blackall and Conondale ranges. The weed vine control project in this area is underway and the recent workshop drew keen interest from both public and private landholders.

Work is underway to engage public and private landholders in creating key linkages between Mary Cairncross reserve and the Obi Ck, High Tor and the escarpment forests below Mountain View Rd.

Funding:

HBL received a minor grant of \$1830 from SCC for purchase of tools for use by Roving Restorers. HBL Advisory Group is currently sourcing good quality and value equipment, and purchase should occur before Xmas.

Community Partnership meeting with Ben McMullen & Dave Burrows – discussed the implications of HBL only getting half the funding sought – response was that we should cut back on some of the milestones outlined in the project application and also chase matching funding as there will be no further \$ available from SCC in future years. Ben acknowledged that chasing matching funding will take up some coordinator time and thus influence what can be achieved on-ground.

Media

Some footage of workshops has been taken and edited by Denis Lalor. We are looking at options for making professional clips or a short film on restoration, for community use.

Media items prepared for: Barung website, Range News, Hinterland Times, HBL facebook, event reminder emails.

Threatened species

I attended a threatened species workshop to discuss the value of Recovery Plans for Listed species. It was recognised that recovery plans alone will not ensure actions – lobbying government is an essential ingredient to see results.

www.hinterlandbushlinks.org

Attachment 3: Coordinator's Report

Current Projects

Upper Lawley Creek Restoration

- Field Walk held for LBCCG Committee, project partners (and funding contributors) and landholders. Twelve attendees viewing project progress and exploring the Keton property.
- The dry conditions has halted progress on the project with a further 1,200 tubestock to be planted.

Restoring Bridge Creek

- A waterway crossing has been installed on the Smith property to allow controlled cattle access to water and also access to both sides of the waterway. Crossing was installed by Phil Nash with exceptional attention to detail and quality of work.
- Revegetation has been completed on the Smith Reach (1,000 tubestock), with the dry conditions delaying planting on the Keton Reach (1,000 tubestock).

Spiny Crayfish Research

- Charlotte has commenced electrofishing and trapping of spiny crayfish with visits to the upper and mid Obi Obi Creek. Unfortunately an innocuous slip in the creek retrieving a trap led to Charlotte breaking her arm. The project will resume in early 2013 once Charlotte has recovered.
- Initial sampling and trapping captured some crayfish although it is still early in the 'season' and the crayfish are not yet fully active.

Upper Obi Obi Creek Restoration (Mac Farms)

- The severe frosts experienced in August 2012, combined with the wet summer of 2011/12 have killed approximately 10% of the trees planted in late 2011. Replanting was carried out in September/October.
- It is expected further replanting will be required at a later date as some of the frost affected trees have been given the opportunity to recover - some will but some won't.

Ruddle Dairies Laneway Hardening

- Laneway hardening has been completed on the project.
- Project budget was underspent which allowed a further 100 metres of laneway and a waterway crossing over an Arley Creek tributary able to be completed.
- Landowners Peter and John Ruddle have passed on their thanks for LBCCG assistance.

Maleny Community Precinct Fencing

- Fencing on both the 2011 Community Action Grant and the 2012 Biodiversity Fund projects is currently being erected. This is LBCCG's contribution to the Green Hills project(s).
- Fencing is being installed by Mark and Jono from Conservation Volunteers Australia with assistance from Barung Landcare.

Griffith University Sediment project

- I have been assisting Griffith University with their Seqwater funded project to assess the level and source of sediments being delivered to Lake Baroon. Naturally LBCCG can facilitate access onto properties and provide other services – mapping, advice and general catchment knowledge.

Project Development

Alcorn Creek

- A project in the lower reaches of Alcorn Creek – the Bridge Creek tributary that drains the south western part of the catchment.
- LBCCG was approached by Sunshine Coast Council to contribute to the fencing and revegetation of an ephemeral gully that is somewhat unstable. The landholder is providing considerable cash and in-kind contributions.

Erowal/Obi Obi Creek Fencing & Off stream watering

- A project on the Erowal property to fence the Obi Obi Creek to remove livestock grazing in the riparian zone and also to stop livestock from crossing the Obi and onto the MCP (and revegetation sites).
- Off stream watering will be required once the Obi is fenced.
- Several years of low intensity weed management will also be required to ensure the riparian zone does not become overgrown with environmental weeds.

Other

- Attended MRCCC AGM
- Conducted interview with an USC Environmental Science student who was keen to understand the activities of LBCCG
- Researching Occupational Health and Safety implications for LBCCG – had a ex Conservation Volunteers Australia Administration Officer volunteer to begin the collation of relevant material.
- Installed minor fencing (gates) on the Keton and Malter/Lawley properties to improve access.