



**LAKE
BAROON
CATCHMENT
CARE
GROUP**

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

Held at 455 North Maleny Road, Maleny on
Thursday April 11th 2013

'Working with our community, for our waterways'

The meeting commenced at 6.35 pm. Chaired by Peter Stevens

0061.1 Welcome and Apologies

Attendance:

Peter Stevens	President
Steve Skull	Vice-President
Gillian Pechey	Secretary
Keith Schelberg	Treasurer
Mark Amos	Project Manager (LBCCG)
Steven Lang	Committee Member
Paul Gilmour-Walsh	Member

Apologies: A. Powell, M. Jackson, T. Odgers, M. Malter

0061.2 Minutes of previous Ordinary Meeting of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group held on Thursday February 14th 2012

Minutes tabled.

Amendment: Moved Steven Lang, seconded Peter Stevens that the wording at 60.4 'Project planning' be amended to read 'Project Administration budget'.

CARRIED

Moved Steven Lang, seconded Peter Stevens that the Minutes of the previous meeting as circulated be accepted.

CARRIED

0061.2.1 Business arising

Referring to item 60.6.3 there is no reply as yet (regarding the suitability of our QWALC public liability insurance), and LBCCG is still operating under the existing lease.

0061.3 Correspondence

Correspondence tabled (*See Attachment 1: Correspondence*).

Moved by Gillian Pechey, seconded Steve Skull that the Correspondence be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

0061.4 Treasurer's Report

Financials Tabled.

Moved Keith Schelberg seconded Peter Stevens that the Treasurer's Report be received and accounts endorsed.

CARRIED

Business arising Keith mentioned that the balance for Hinterland Bush Links needs to be NIL on 30th June 2013. Keith to speak to Susie Duncan.

0061.5 Reports

0061.5.1 Hinterland Bush Links

Tabled. (*See Attachment 2: HBL Report*)

0061.5.2 LBCCG Project Manager Report

Mark presented a Powerpoint presentation to the meeting

(*See Attachment 3: Project Manager Report*).

Moved by Steven Lang, seconded Keith Schelberg that the Reports be accepted.

CARRIED

0061.6 General Business

0061.6.1 New Membership Application

Moved Peter Stevens, seconded Steven Lang that Marlene Jackson's membership be accepted.

CARRIED

0061.6.2 Workplace Health and Safety Report

Keith's presented a Draft Safety Management System (WH&S Policy) and recommendations to the Committee. Keith to circulate Draft to the Management Committee for review.

Workplace Health and Safety to become Agenda Item at Management Committee Meetings.

On a related matter, we discussed the Office leaking roof and potential danger of the faulty toilet light:
ACTION: Peter to contact Seqwater's Murray Dunstan.

0061.6.3 Current Funding Opportunities

0061.6.3.1 Community Landcare Grants

We recently applied under this program (Sustainable Agriculture) but this stream is for Environmental projects – Mark to investigate further.

0061.6.3.2 Biodiversity Fund

The Lake Baroon catchment is outside the target area and therefore are not eligible. Hinterland Bush Links is being included under a SEQ Catchments bid.

LBCCG to provide support to a CSIRO bid (Mistflower Bio-control Release and Monitoring).

0061.6.3.3 Green Army Expression of Interest

If the Coalition wins government at the September Federal Election, the Green Army program will be resurrected. Mal Brough (Liberal candidate for Fisher) has called for Expressions of Interest for organisations to host a team. Mark to liaise with Conservation Volunteers Australia.

Also discussed was Queensland Landcare Awards (Community Group Award and Landcare Facilitator or Coordinator Award). We feel it is worthwhile to explore these. ACTION: Mark to investigate further.

0061.6.5 Project Proposals

0061.6.5.1 Maleny Community Precinct Riparian Fencing Stage 2B (LBCCG Project No. 1213 – 001B)

Continued fencing in support of Maleny Green Hills Biodiversity Fund project to revegetate the Obi Obi Creek riparian zone on the Maleny Community Precinct.

Moved Peter Stevens, seconded Steve Skull that this project be approved.

CARRIED

0061.6.5.2 Bridge Creek Rehabilitation (McLauchlan) Year 4 (LBCCG Project No. 1213 – 004)

Fourth and final year of funding to the project that has fenced and revegetated riparian zones, erosion areas and addressed property management issues.

Moved Steve Skull, seconded Keith Schelberg that this project be approved.

CARRIED

0061.6.5.3 Bridge Creek Rehabilitation (Watter) Year 4
(LBCCG Project No. 1213 – 007)

Fourth and final year of funding to the project that has fenced and revegetated riparian zones, erosion areas and addressed property management issues.

Moved Peter Stevens, seconded Steve Skull that this project be approved.

CARRIED

0061.6.5.4 Upper Alcorn Creek Riparian Fencing
(LBCCG Project No. 1213 – 009)

A project fencing 1.2 kilometres of Alcorn Creek, including areas of remnant and regrowth vegetation. Additionally the project will construct waterway crossings, harden laneways and install off stream watering.

Moved Steven Lang, seconded Steve Skull that this project be approved.

CARRIED

0061.6.5.5 Alcorn Creek Riparian Remediation
(LBCCG Project No. 1213 – 012)

A collaborative project with Sunshine Coast Council to fence and revegetate an eroding watercourse in the Bridge Creek catchment (Alcorn Creek).

Moved Peter Stevens, seconded Steven Lang that this project be approved.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group will be held
Thursday May 9th at 6.30 pm.

VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED
The Office is at 455 North Maleny Road. (5494 3775)

Confirmed this _____ day of _____ 20

Signature of President _____

Attachment 1: Correspondence

Inwards Correspondence from 15th February 2013			
Date	Notes	Action	Person
20-Feb-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA
20-Feb-13	CVA - In Safe Hands Toolkit (Volunteer WH&S Policy)	Review	KS/MA
21-Feb-13	Healthy Waterways - Healthy Waterways Awards 2013	File	MA
26-Feb-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA
26-Feb-13	Louise Morin (CSIRO) - Mistflower project invoices	File	MA
27-Feb-13	BMRG - Flood Update	File	MA
27-Feb-13	Healthy Waterways - Healthy Waterways News	Circulate	MA
28-Feb-13	SCC - Landholder Environment Grants workshops	Attend	MA
01-Mar-13	MRCCC - Wildlife Care Training workshop	Circulate	MA
04-Mar-13	Telstra - Jan-Feb account (\$173.30)	Pay	DB
04-Mar-13	MRCC - General meeting 12 march, 2013	Attend	MA
04-Mar-13	CSIRO - Mistflower Invoice (\$3,575.00)	Pay	DB
05-Mar-13	QWALC - March Newsletter	Circulate	MA
05-Mar-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA
05-Mar-13	Landcare Qld - Landcare News	Circulate	MA
06-Mar-13	Australia Post - Post box rental (\$99.00)	Pay	DB
06-Mar-13	Jumba - website hosting (\$49.00)	Pay	DB
12-Mar-13	Janice Taylor (KBR) - bushfire management in Lake Baroon catchment	Complete	MA
13-Mar-13	MCU - Statement of Accounts February	Reconcile	DB
13-Mar-13	Seqwater - Project Funding Remittance (\$62,227.55)	Reconcile	DB
13-Mar-13	BBC Digital - printer hire April 2013 (\$105.11)	Pay	DB
15-Mar-13	Membership application - Marlene Jackson	Agenda	MA
20-Mar-13	AON Insurance Brokers - Insurance Renewal Survey 2013/14	Complete	MA
20-Mar-13	MCU - new cheque book	-	DB
20-Mar-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA
21-Mar-13	Barung - tubestock 0809-005 (\$1,083.00)	Pay	DB
21-Mar-13	QWALC - March Quick News	Circulate	MA
25-Mar-13	CSIRO - Biodiversity Fund Mistflower application support	Complete	MA
27-Mar-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA
02-Apr-13	QWALC - State Landcare Awards Nominations open	Circulate	MA
02-Apr-13	Landcare Qld - Qlinks Bulletin	Circulate	MA
04-Apr-13	ATO - Jan-Mar BAS Statement	Complete	DB
08-Apr-13	Caring For Our Country _ Community Landcare Grants Survey	Complete	MA
09-Apr-13	Telstra - Feb-Mar account (\$203.80)	Pay	DB
09-Apr-13	BMRG - NRM News	Circulate	MA

Outwards Correspondence from 15th February 2013			
Date	Notes	Action	Person
15-Feb-13	Seqwater - LBCCG Office lease request for further information	Sent	PS
15-Feb-13	M. Amos reimbursement - meeting catering (\$48.00)	Paid	DB
15-Feb-13	Seqwater - Project Funding Invoice No. 2 (Jan-Jun 2013)	Sent	MA
15-Feb-13	M. Amos reimbursement - diesel 026 RUQ (\$85.00)	Paid	DB
06-Mar-13	Telstra - mobile account February (\$30.01)	Paid	DB
06-Mar-13	M. Amos reimbursement - diesel 026 RUQ (\$80.00)	Paid	DB
13-Mar-13	Janice Taylor (KBR) - bushfire management in Lake Baroon catchment	Complete	MA
14-Mar-13	Telstra - Jan-Feb account (\$173.30)	Paid	DB
20-Mar-13	Caring For Our Country - Community Landcare Grant application	Circulate	MA
20-Mar-13	M. Amos reimbursement - diesel 026 RUQ (\$95.00)	Paid	DB
21-Mar-13	CSIRO - Mistflower Invoice (\$3,575.00)	Paid	DB
21-Mar-13	Jumba - website hosting (\$49.00)	Paid	DB
21-Mar-13	Australia Post - Post box rental (\$99.00)	Paid	DB
21-Mar-13	Barung - tubestock 0809-005 (\$1,083.00)	Paid	DB
03-Apr-13	M. Amos reimbursement - diesel 026 RUQ (\$87.00)	Paid	DB

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

PROGRESS REPORT (11 April 2013)

- Community Partnership progress report to SCC (tabled at last LBCCG meeting)
- Biodiversity Fund (BDF) announced – unfortunately the target areas excluded the Blackall & Conondale ranges and the Mary Valley. HBL is a partner in an EOI to the BDF being prepared by SEQ Catchments which could roll out as a small amount of funding for work in the upper reaches of the Stanley River. This won't be sorted until it is known whether the EOI is successful.
- Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (GERI) field day – staff from this project did a tour with HBL around the Blackall Range. HBL has an affiliation with this group which has a big-picture vision for connecting forests from Vic to Nth Qld. The day went well and GERI are supporting HBL in several ways, one being our inclusion in a bid to the BDF via the Carbon Farming Initiative.
- Discussion with Mark Amos re assisting LBCCG priority landholders to secure SCC landholder grants.
- HBL maps updated. Proposed linkages map is attached.
- Planning advanced on Mary Cairncross linkages
- Weed Vine mapping (Madeira Vine, Cats Claw, Dutchman's Pipe) completed in Cambroon corridor. Major Cats Claw invasion on Little Yabba Ck will be a priority site for treatment once rain stops.
- Met with landholders in Harpers Ck re management of Cats Claw in the catchment
- Initial planning for Connectivity info session in Upper Mary in May – venue Crystal Waters
- Little Yabba Park Bushcare day. Little Yabba Ck and many other streams in the valley are massively eroded from the past two deluge events. However, natural regeneration going well at LY Park.
- HBL Launch site at Booloumba Ck – after drought, flood, frost, deer, more drought, cow invasion and more flood – the trees are doing amazingly well. Will do a maintenance day there soon.
- Long-nosed Potoroo (threatened in QLD & nationally) turned up at Reesville – python ate mother, joey in care with Carmel Givens. The forested western escarpment at Reesville could be a key refuge for this species. Fits well with connectivity planning.
- Article in March Barung Newsletter
- Assisted with revegetation work at Dilkusha on the Obi Ck.
- Assisted for half day at Barung nursery.
- Attended nature/conservation writing workshop sponsored by SCC
- Assorted admin - publicity of upcoming events, organising meetings, planning etc.
- Roving Restorers working bee at 130 Burgum Road on 24 March. A very successful day of weeding revegetated areas and doing new plantings. Restoration works on this property provide important buffering of riparian vegetation on the Obi Creek.
- First phone link-up with 5 Great Eastern Ranges facilitators from across NSW – getting to know how other regional groups are approaching connectivity.
- Site visit to Egerton Nature Refuge to plan Richmond Birdwing Vine planting on 13 April. Please feel very welcome to join us on this day – see Barung website to register.
- Met with Higher Ground Group who organise schools outdoor environmental programs, re engaging Yr 9 students in restoration activities. Considering involvement in this.
- Little Yabba Bushcare Group working bee – continued plantings and weed management.
- Assorted admin - publicity of upcoming events, organising meetings, planning etc.

Attachment 3: LBCCG Project Manager Report

Current Projects

Cork Dairies Obi Obi Creek Riparian Protection

- A landholder Environment Grant application is currently being submitted to Sunshine Coast Council to fund the riparian fencing.

Upper Lawley Creek Restoration

- Revegetation on the project has been completed including the Sunshine Coast Council funded trees. This brings the total number of trees planted on the project to approximately 4,000 with a further 2,000 on the adjoining Bridge Creek Restoration project.
- Sunshine Coast Council (Land for Wildlife) is planning on holding a Field Walk on the site, and the Bridge Creek Restoration site and the Watter (Bridge Creek Rehabilitation) site in late May. LBCCG to provide support.

Spiny Crayfish Research

- Charlotte has been trapping throughout the catchment with mixed results. The larger spiny crayfish have been caught in good numbers however the smaller, burrowing 'hairy' crayfish has proven to be more difficult to trap. Charlotte will continue trapping until sufficient numbers are caught for effective analysis. We have had a good response to the call for volunteers – many thanks to those that have offered their assistance.

Project Development

Much of the last two months have been allocated to completing Project Plans and funding submissions. These include:

Seqwater Project Plans (presented at April LBCCG Meeting)

- Upper Alcorn Creek Riparian Fencing
- Alcorn Creek Riparian Remediation
- Maleny Community Precinct Riparian Fencing Stage 2B
- Bridge Creek Rehabilitation (McLauchlan) Year 4
- Bridge Creek Rehabilitation (Watter) Year 4

Sunshine Coast Council Landholder Environment Grants (assisting landholders to apply)

- Garth Wright
- Roger Donovan & Lyn Stevens
- Col Cork

Caring For Our Country Community Landcare Grants

- Keeping Soil on Paddocks Where it Belongs - Lake Baroon Catchment (Rob Cork)

Other

- Continued liaison with Griffith University (paired reach assessments and soil nutrient analysis)
- Assisting University of Queensland with project sites studying revegetation site nutrient cycling
- Upcoming University of the Sunshine Coast annual visit to the McLauchlan/Bridge Creek site
- Obi Obi Creek Zipline proposal
- Upcoming Arley Creek Field Walk on Friday April 26