

Minutes for Meeting, 27 July 2011 at Crossover Hall

Meeting opened at 1930

Business Arising From Previous Minutes

- 1) Nicki reported on owl search night. 21 people were in attendance and all had a great night. Nicki passed on the groups thanks to Rolf Willig from parks Victoria, who ran the night for us.
- 2) Grants applications: Application to Baw Baw Shire for "upgrade of Rokeby Flora and Fauna Park". (\$4840)
Application to Baw Baw Shire (community grants) to replace our display boards at the market etc. (\$2000)
- 3) Bridge termite control update: Bernard will liaise with Braden and forward a copy of the engineers report onto him.

General Business

- 1) Carolyn discussed signage along Bravington extension and throughout the fauna reserve. Suggested layouts were tabled and discussed. The gathering decided that more visitor friendly information and pertinent photos were needed before proceeding to getting the signs made up.
- 2) Keith spoke of installing a visitor shelter along the trail similar to one that he spotted at Philip Island. This was supported by the group and Keith will forward photos to secretary for further discussion at next meeting.
- 3) Keith also suggested that we should consider installing a visitor information board at both the Rokeby hall and Crossover school. A lot of discussion followed, with a lot of support, however a program to implement and maintain these facilities would need more discussion.
- 4) Bernard presented the group with new "corflu" signage to deter motorized vehicles on trail. There is a minimum purchase of 32 signs (\$12.00 each) which the group thought was too many for our usage and will look into getting other groups involved with the purchase of some of the signs. David to follow up with Joy Hart (d.s.e). Carolyn will donate star pickets if needed to fix signs to.
- 5) Shane reminded the group of the importance of filling out J.S.A's when undertaking work within the park.
- 6) Shane spoke about Joy Hart now doing enforcement work for the D.S.E.
- 7) Shane asked that we make up a "wish list" to present to parks victoria for future grant applications.
- 8) Carolyn tabled the "Draft Management Plan" for the Rokeby park for dicussion. A lot of work and filling in has to be done before completion. Nicki will meet with Carolyn separately to complete the project.
- 9) John Spargo, president of the Buln Buln East Association spoke of their group's attempts to acquire a block of land on the corner of Mizpah Settlement road Old Sale road. The block will be kept as a native reserve for the community and maintained by their group. The gathering offered our support of the project and will assist them wherever we can in the future.

Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Next Meeting:

Annual General Meeting:

7 September 2011 at Rokeby Hall, 1930 start.