

Minutes
Smiths Gully Landcare Meeting
15th April

Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre

Meeting Opened 7.40 pm

Present: Pat Reynolds, Chris Sanders, John Ryan, Delsha Rees, Maria Katsikas, Lynlee Tozer, Trish Ebert,.

Apologies: Elizabeth Whykes, Mick Okey, Gael Macpherson, Alan Bamford

Reports

Treasurer: Balance: \$2200. Cost of website hosting paid - \$70.

Corridors Project:

First round of funding has been concluded

-Lynlee reported that weed control has been carried out along Smiths Gully Rd targeting Spanish Heath, Honeysuckle and Blackberry. Watsonia along the creek and Pittosporam on Cant's Creek Rd.

Proposals for second round

- Planting on Maria K's property
- Woody weeds cut and painted on Gael and Alan's property
- Angled Onion Weed and Blackberry sprayed on Black Cameron Rd
- Tree Tobacco on Smiths Gully Creek
- Gravel 'rake off' on Delsha and Warrick's property
- Perriwinkle sprayed on Salters Rush Rd

- Corridors Project has purchased 10 motion sensor cameras. Each participating group has been rostered on for use of the cameras. SGLC rostered for October.
- Committee is discussing rabbit control

Correspondence:

- 1) Motion Sensor Cameras- battery powered
 - 2) Electronic Correspondence as per forwarded to members during the past two months.
 - i) TE – Yarra CART 15/4
 - ii) Alan & Gael – Appols 15/4
 - iii) PR – Regenerating, People, Place, Prosperity 26/3
 - iv) NSC – Nill Enviro Network Update 22/3
 - v) TE – House for Sale 21/3
 - vi) Nill Enviro Network Update – 1/3
 - vii) PR – YVELG Roadshow 28/2
 - viii) Anthony Dufty – New Contact (me) 18/2
 - ix) TE – The Yarra Yak – Summer Edition 12/2
 - x) Nill Enviro Events Prog. 12/2
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- xi) Jackie Waring – Newsletters & info (contact details) 8/2
- xii) Nill Enviro Network Update – 7/2

General Business

- Thanks to Delsha and Trish for the work they have put in to the developing and printing of the new brochure
- Lynlee has laminated 10 copies, which will be distributed around the general community – General Stores, Living & Learning Centres etc.
- Maria suggested doing a planting as part of the launch which all thought a good idea.
- Planning for Launch of new brochure
- Suggested we extend invitations to:
 - Damian Mangan (Nillumbik Shire)
 - Members of Queenstown Cemetry
 - St. Andrews Landcare Members
- Agreed that we have a planting around the old Iron Bark Tree on the corner of Kangaroo Ground-St. Andrews and Clintons Rds. at 10 am followed by an official launch of the brochure at *Habitat Links* nursery (950 Kangaroo Ground-St. Andrews Rd), weather permitting.
- Maria K. offered to draft an invitation for the launch and send to Chris. Chris to send out to groups and Smiths Gully Landcare members.
- Pat R. will set up a table with the brochures on the day
- Finger food and tea/coffee will be provided
- Meet at *Habitat Links* nursery on Thursday 15 May to finalise details re food etc.
- John R. will ask S/Gully Gen Store to make bread sticks
- Lynlee T. will supply appropriate plants for the planting exercise
- Landcare Trailer and Banner will be on show on the day.
- Pat R. suggested we discontinue meetings unless business came to hand which needed discussion. Lynlee T felt that we needed to have at least bi-monthly meetings. Agreed that we continue bi-monthly and if needed, extra meetings would be called.

Meeting Closed: 10 pm

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