



Goldfields Environmental Management Group  
Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting  
18<sup>th</sup> October 2013  
Mt Monger Station

Meeting Open 12:450

**1. Present**

Eren Reid (NVS), Andrea Kirchner (La Mancha), Casey Skalski (Polaris), Cat Wharton (MRP), Karen DeRoer (Gold Fields - St Ives), Carl Paton (URS), Laura Copeland (DMP), Ashley Owen, Belinda Bastow (Anglogold), Kane Moyle (CME), Amanda Rukuwai Donnelly (St Barbara), Dan Machin (DMP), Jenny Byrne (Soil & Water), Adam Pratt (Soil & Water), Belinda Fourie, Robert Cocks (Nortons), Wayne Astill (Nortons), Andrew Greenfield (ARL), Sarah Taylor-Fuller, Ivan Beattie (Karrilon),

**2. Apologies**

Jim Williams (Jims Seeds Weeds and Trees), Tara Read, Helen Chernoff, Tari Pawlyk (NGF), David Pickles (DER), Jarod Dashwood (DER), Fiona Cormier (DER), Ray Gerrard (Piacentini), Kim Rodgers, Stephen Lance, Kim O'Reilly, Keith Lindbeck, Tony Fitz-Gibbon (Ruggies), Claire McGuire (Outback), Scott Thompson, Jim Thomson (Outback Energy), John Laws (Alacer)

**3. Introduction - President**

Catherine Wharton welcomed members to this year's AGM.

**4. Presidents Report**

Catherine Wharton noted it has been a successful year with a number of sundowners (Malleefowl, Environmental Management) and sponsorship. Cat thanked the outgoing committee for all their hard work and support during the year.

**5. Treasurers Report**

Balance as of end of 2011-12 FY - \$384,752

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Income was \$5370 from memberships and book sales.

Expenditure was \$88,812 including following sponsorship:

- \$30,000 sponsorship for Credo Research Station
- \$11,000 for National Malleefowl coordinator - an annual

- commitment for the next three years.
- \$10,000 sponsorship for salmon gum research project
- \$13,200 for CSIRO climate change project
- \$594 notebooks for schools.

An audit report and BAS has been done in 2012-13, carried out by Pat Leighton FCA.

## **6. Election of Office Bearers**

Executive Committee 2013/14

- President. Nomination Wayne Astill. Proposed Cat Wharton, Seconded Andrea Kirchner.
- Vice President. Nomination Jim Williams. Proposed Wayne Astill, Seconded Eren Reid.
- Secretary. Nomination Laura Copeland. Proposed Belinda Bastow, Seconded Casey Skalski.
- Treasurer. Nomination Catherine Wharton. Proposed Jenny Byrnes, Seconded Adam Pratt.

## **General Committee 2013/14**

- Ivan Beattie
- Jim Thomson
- Belinda Fourie
- Karen DeRoer
- Bronwen Smith
- Helen Chernoff

Proposed: Catherine Wharton. Seconded: Wayne Astill

No elections were necessary and the nominees were supported.

## **7. General Business**

Members of the GEMG asked the committee to consider the following sponsorship opportunities:

- a scholarship for someone studying environmental related discipline at University.
- Mulgara and progressing DNA research.
- Microbiological research being done by the research fellow who presented at CME.
- GEMG App for iphones and androids. Something that can perhaps identify reptiles or an environmental auditing app (similar to the OHS one).

Members also called for a section at the GEMG workshop in 2014 on recycling and trying to get members to cooperate more. Belinda Bastow was to give some consideration to who could facilitate a panel discussion.

8. Closing. Wayne Astill thanked the outgoing committee again

for their hard work in the past twelve months and encouraged the members to look forward to the GEMG conference in 21-23 May 2014. .

Meeting Close 13:30