

Permaculture Noosa

Management Committee meeting

Date: Wednesday 25th May 2017

Time commenced: 6:00pm

Present: Wendy, Cheryl, Bill, Tim, Wayne, Caroline, Dan, Kylie, Nick, Pauline

Apologies: Vic, Val, Ian

Chair: Tim

Previous meeting

Correction

PA System to be stored at Tom's place in return for the equipment to be used for community events.

Minutes Accepted

Moved Caroline, seconded Wendy Neilsen

Matters arising

Thankyou card for Sripati

Action: Caroline to organise

Audit

- info is on the website, no comments from members yet.
- We are still obliged to do an Audit this year
- No funds are available to pay for an Audit
- Only banking \$100-\$300 per month

Action: committee to read Wendy's recommendations and report back

Buddy System

- talk to members about 'succession planning' & applying permaculture principles 'apply self regulation & accept feedback' to our organisation.

Cooroy Fusion

- Val did an amazing job, we couldn't do it without her
- Thankyou for the great support of PC Noosa members & friends including Amanda, Jason, Maria, Neil, Robin, Caroline, Giles
- Can we contact people who signed the list
- create an email list and thank them for their interest in PC Noosa and invite them to upcoming meetings and events

Nambour Garden Expo 7-9 July

- Yandina will be involved
- Talk to Val when she returns to find out what needs doing
- We have a shared stall with the Yandina Blue House

Agenda items

Cooroy Community Garden

Guest representatives from Noosa Council (Kylie) and Cooroy community garden (Nick, Pauline)

- A resolution to change the name of Cooroy Community Garden group to be made to council.
- CCG is un-incorporating
- A media release when hand over is official
- As the tenure has not expired no need to go to an expression of interest.
- Tool list has been provided
- We can commence with a 12 month permit or a long term lease
- A lease agreement will incur an annual fee of \$260; a survey plan of the site
- Lease can be terminated in case of unforeseen circumstances
- There are no legal fees required
- Water rates up to \$1000 will be covered by council
- no permanent structures are permissible under a permit
- the Badmitton club support the current MOU that allows shared used of the facilities & amenities. The hall is not large enough for club meetings.
- there is no rent fee required for use of badmitton facilities
- encourage PC Noosa to become members of the badmitton club to support their organisation
- we are eligible to apply to Councils community grants program. Up to \$30,000 for infrastructure projects. 2 funding rounds p.a (August/Feb)
- Entitled to 10m3 of first grind greenwaste mulch per annum
- Council is not responsible for mowing but do cut the grass for the group
- Surplus council building materials may be available from time to time

Thank you to Pauline and Nick for all their efforts in establishing and growing CCG. CCG believe PC Noosa is the most appropriate organisation to continue building upon their legacy. PC Noosa is very grateful and excited about the opportunity.

Action:

- Julie to send through a permit agreement for PC Noosa to consider
- Julie to remind council maintenance team of 'no spray' policy
- PC Noosa to check if existing insurance policy can incorporate the garden
- Dan to check mail
- Tim to message Costa ABC Gardening Australia about the hand over

Next month speakers

Potential topics/speakers include

- Jason Virtue: Holistic Management
- Clem Roberts: container gardening
- Margaret Hamlin: mycologist

Regular segments: “bring your tool...” “how to grow...”

July meeting

- Wayne to talk on plumbing design for rainwater harvesting
- information on the ‘dirty dozen’ & ‘clean 15’ vegetables to avoid and buy

Future meetings

- talks on medicinal plants and peoples experiences using them.
- eg Herb Robert use for skin cancer.

General Business

Sunshine Coast Environment Council

- inviting new nominations for committee members
- can we put on PC Noosa website

Action: Tim to ask if they would like us to promote their website

Buddy system

- Wayne updated the user manual for the PA system
- This will be packed with the equipment
- Info to be added to website

Audio recordings

- several speakers have been recorded, the sound quality is excellent
- Wayne always speakers for permission to upload recordings onto website

Meeting closed: 8:25pm