

# Permaculture Noosa Inc. Committee meeting Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	Thursday 23 Feb 2017
<b>Time:</b>	6:20pm
<b>Place:</b>	Bill Berry's residence, 4 Bowman Terrace Sunshine Beach

<b>Attendees:</b>	Vic Bateman, Tim Peek, Cheryl McElligott, Wayne Oldham, Caroline Whittle-Herbert,
<b>Apologies:</b>	Daniel Deighton, Sripati Rowe, Wendy Strathearn, Ian Trew, Valerie Wilson

Item	Description			
1	Present and apologies noted			
	Review of actions from previous meeting			
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2	Recovery of superfluous fee paid to CWA for hire of hall for Jan meeting. (Wendy paid \$54 from her personal account, PN also paid \$54) Vic proposed that PN reimburse Wendy for loss if CWA refuses to reimburse. Seconded: Wayne	Tim to liaise with Wendy and CWA reps	unresolved
	Meeting Venue for future Ctee meetings: Vic to investigate use of private room at Cooroy RSL.	Vic	unresolved
	Meeting Venue for future Ctee meetings: Caroline Whittle-Herbert offered her residence if part of a roster. March is not suitable, but April is.		
	Audio recorder for meetings purchase ASAP - PN to pay direct instead of through Wayne's credit card	Wayne	unresolved
3	<p><b>Acceptance of minutes of previous committee meeting</b></p> <p>Proposed resolution: That the minutes of the committee meeting held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 be accepted.</p> <p><b>Moved: Tim Peek</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Seconded: Bill Berry</b></span></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Passed/Not passed</p>		
4	<p><b>Finance report</b></p> <p>Proposed resolution: That the finance report be accepted</p> <p><b>Moved: Tim Peek</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Seconded: Bill Berry</b></span></p>		

				Passed/Not passed
	<b>General business</b>			
	Payment of \$120 to Konrad Sroka for website improvements. Proposed Vic, Seconded Tim.	Wendy, Cheryl	resolved	
5	Seedsavers Report from Sripati received and accepted. Sue Anderson confirms as new Seedsaver Coordinator taking over in April		N/A	
	Membership Report from Janine received and accepted.		N/A	
	Seedsavers convenor Sripati needs to make purchases of seed envelopes and other minor items. Can these be paid for out of cash received for sale of seeds?	Wendy to investigate whether this arrangement will satisfy Auditor	unresolved	
	Qld Garden Show Nambour - possible conflict over type of garden design	Tim to investigate	unresolved	
	T-shirt design - All agreed Dan to be best suited to make the design but aware of Dan's busy schedule	Caroline to discuss with Dan	unresolved	
	Gift of e-book to entice new members - possibly a collection of all the plant profiles and garden hints produced in the past, with suitable "gift ribbons" Also to be given to present membership	Bill	unresolved	

Upcoming PN Meeting - Erin Young to speak on "Sociocracy"	Tim to confirm	unresolved
Upcoming PN Meeting - Cheryl to present a 5 min "Plant profile talk" - this could be a regular feature.	Cheryl	resolved
Upcoming PN Meeting - Vic to present a 5 min "My favourite tool" talk - this could be a regular feature.	Vic	resolved
Future PN Meeting - Mal McKenna to speak about a Permaculture based refugee project	Tim to confirm	unresolved
Future PN Meeting - Wendy's contact to speak about a waste disposal	Tim to liaise with Wendy	unresolved
Future PN Meeting Speaker - Veronica Cougan of Witjuti Grub Bushfood Nursery	Tim to confirm	unresolved
Future PN Meetings - speakers to be asked to wear portable microphone	Wayne	-
Future PN Meetings - Meetings to start on time 6:30pm	Tim	-
Future PN Meetings - Caroline made a suggestion for us to ask volunteer speakers/ experienced permies to share quick session of typical "to dos" in the following month. Great info for the new comers to permaculture and PN		
Next meeting		
<b>Time:</b>	6:00pm	

	<b>Date:</b>	Thursday 23rd March 2017
	<b>Place:</b>	TBA
10	Meeting close 8:15pm	

<b>Minute taker:</b>	Bill Berry
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<b>Signed:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

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### Footnote:

Here are some comments on the meeting made by Present Tim Peek:

- In regards to the e-book welcome gift plus members gift; I think that this idea has merit and would be nice to do, however, I think it is a great candidate to be made into a project.

During the time I'm involved in my current capacity I would like to develop a mindset in our members of 'lets do this together'. I would like people to get involved in doing tasks together to bring people closer to each other and also accomplish things together.

For example in the task of preparing a 'welcome gift pack' as you've described it should be possible to have a few people from the membership get together with you to discuss the ethos etcetera of the project and then also go out and expand on that and also do the actual work of the project. They can then present to you their draft for approval before launching it.

The way I see it, that would include the membership more in the club's workings as well as get people used to the idea of working with the committee. It will also take a lot of pressure and work off you (or whoever has a project idea).

As Dan explained to me recently if a project idea is suggested it should be offered to the members and if someone else does not run with it then perhaps it should not happen. Of course I can counter some good arguments to this statement, however it is a good philosophy to consider.

What do you think?

Also in New Members; Elizabeth Dimes is the representative for the South Burnett Permaculture group and they paid a family rate for the group. They are a fledgling group. They requested this and I made an executive decision to support them in the short term.

## MEETING INCOME & EXPENSES RECORD

Meeting Date: Thurs 16/02/17

### INCOME

Memberships	Cheques	\$ -
(ZM4141579)	Cash	\$ 25.00
Newsletters	Qty sold:	\$ -
	TT Qty sold:	
	Recipe Books Qty sold:	
	Qty sold:	\$ -
T-shirts	Qty sold:	\$ -
DVD's Give it a Go	Qty sold:	
Raffle (Float \$9)		\$ 77.00
Supper (Float \$9)		\$ 20.50
Donations (Float\$5)		\$ 2.00
Open Gardens		\$ 58.40
Seedsavers		\$ 93.00
Bus trip to Morag's 4/3/17	5 people x\$20	\$ 100.00
	<b>TOTAL Cash</b>	<b>\$ 375.90</b>
	<b>Cheques</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

### EXPENSES

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**INCOME less EXPENSES \$ 375.90**

### CASH/CHEQUE RECORD

NOTES	\$50	2	\$ 100.00
	\$20	5	\$ 100.00
	\$10	2	\$ 20.00
	\$5	9	\$ 45.00
COINS	\$2	37	\$ 74.00
	\$1	29	\$ 29.00
	\$0.50	12	\$ 6.00
	\$0.20	7	\$ 1.40
	\$0.10	3	\$ 0.30
	\$0.05	4	\$ 0.20
		TOTAL Cash	\$ 376
		Cheques	\$ -
		<b>TOTAL BANKING</b>	<b>\$ 375.90</b>

# Permaculture Noosa Membership Report February 2017

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## New Members:

Steve & Liane Tollis  
Jason Virtue  
Rob Lawrence  
Elizabeth Dimes  
Cheryl McElligott

## Number of Members

The total number of members is now 108 plus 8 group memberships

There are three Life memberships:

- Anne Wensley
- Ali Oruairc
- Geoff and Nadia Lawton

Three "Gift" memberships:

- Morag Gamble
- John and Eveline Goulls (caterers)
- Phil and Joshua Manning

Janine Stoner  
Membership Secretary  
Permaculture Noosa  
[membership@permaculturenoosa.com.au](mailto:membership@permaculturenoosa.com.au)



# Seed Savers report

## February 2017

Due to illness I cancelled Seed Savers meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> February. Leslie Mearns had kindly agreed to cover the position for me, but she backed out on the day as she had sleep problems. I notified all the main regular comers of the cancellation. During my phone calls I arranged with Robyn Harrison to receive the file of the Seed packet envelopes so that I can print them. We also discussed her getting a USB stick for PCN use and me purchasing a USB for Seed Savers and will save all the main SS files on there.

A young lady called Beth who offered to help out at Seed Savers has emailed me a few times. She's coming to the next Seed Savers meeting.

I met with Sue Anderson, she came to my place and I told her all about what is involved as Seed Saver Co-ordinator, including DropBox and running the Seed Savers meetings. She is open to being creative in the position. I showed her the items that she will need to store, and introduced her to the logistics of the seed trays, including the ones we leave in places, how it all works. I also showed her the list computer files that come with the position. I shall be thinning those documents down as necessary before she takes over the position. She is happy that there are a couple of months until I go. So Sue will learn from me at the meetings. We've become friends and already she is helping out.

Sue is keen to take the position, and it helpful that she lives just 4 minutes drive away. She came along with me to the PCN meeting this month, and helped me run the booth. Sue also took home with her the 2 seed trays as she has a book that tells how long seeds are likely to germinate. As we have a fair lot of seeds that are dated 2014 she is kindly checking which of our 2014 seeds can be sold and at what price if they are short-dated and which of those might be give away to the group.

I have not been well this month with a problematic ear. A while ago I drew up Seed Savers lineage:

### **Seed Saver Get-together**

Come to learn about saving seeds,

Pack seeds and have a chat & cuppa

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9.30 – 11.30am**

**Held at –Noosa Namaste restaurant**

**2, Memorial Drive Pomona.** Enquiries email

[seedsavers@permaculturenoosa.com.au](mailto:seedsavers@permaculturenoosa.com.au)

or call Sripati 075485 3856 **Free event**

I already send out adverts to newspapers for my Meditation programs, Mostly every week I send it to the Cooroy Rag.

I always encourage people to join PCN and come along to Seed Saver meetings. It's nice to see new people coming along to the PCN meeting.

I am bit short of cash lately and would appreciate if I can have some of the PCN money in order to print the Seed Savers posters and flyers. Also, soon I will need to print the Seed Savers envelopes: a job lot.

Happy gardening!

Kind regards,

Sripati Rowe

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Treasurer's Report includes our Statement Account standing at \$716.49. This includes 8 bank transferred bus seat payments and 5 cash receipts (club night) bus seat bookings, It must be noted that these may all be refunded if we do not fill the bus. In these circumstances our balance would accurately be \$456.49. Out Savings account sits at \$11,201.38.

I am hoping to see more bookings come through from the Yandina group.

I made a payment from the statement account to Konrad Sroka on 22/2/17, after conversing with Bill, I totally agreed we needed to pay sooner rather than later. This needs to be motioned and seconded tonight.

Have a great meeting  
Wendy