

FRIENDS OF SCOTCHMANS CREEK AND VALLEY RESERVE INC.

Minutes of 26th Annual General Meeting held in Alvie Hall,
on Wednesday 16 October 2024 at 7:30 pm.

PRESENT :

Fred Bullock, Kayla Sibly, Tony Walker, Sally Walker (chair), Sandra Lutke, Alfred Uhlherr, Peter Uhlherr, Chris Lee, Rex Dusting, Ross Ingram, Liz Zetzmann, Alfred Kruijshoop, Margery Kennett, Danielle Cini, Martin Uhlherr, Kylie Burgin, May Lee (minutes).

APOLOGIES :

Bill and Shirley Ramsay, Kelvin Ferguson, Marilyn Thompson, Virginia Barnett, ex Monash councillor Tina Samardzija.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY :

The President delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

PRESENTATION :

The ordinary business of the meeting was preceded by a presentation by Kayla Sibly, with the theme "Fire Management Australia".

SPECIAL RESOLUTION ITEM 1:

Our Association does not meet the Australian Taxation Office rules to be classified as tax exempt. The Committee has decided that the Association should apply to the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) to become a charity and to claim tax exemption as a charity.

The Committee of the Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc. has determined that our Association should adopt a revised set of Rules of Association that include the required clauses that will qualify us as a Not-For-Profit and a Charity.

A motion was proposed by Sally Walker and seconded by Fred Bullock, that the Special Resolution the members of Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc. adopt the proposed, revised set of *Rules of Association October 2024 (Proposed)*, which was sent out to all members of the Association, be considered. A vote on the motion was called for. Sixteen financial members voted by show of hands in favour of the motion. There were no votes against adopting the motion. The Resolution was therefore adopted.

[See Appendix A – FSCVR AGM 2024 Notes to Resolution 1]

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES :

The Minutes for last year's AGM can be found at Appendix B..

The Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held on 18th October 2023 were accepted as a true record – moved by Sally Walker and seconded by Fred Bullock.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Sally Walker) :

The President's Report for 2023 / 2024 can be found at Appendix C.

She thanked the committee members for their hard work and commitment during the year.

KOORYONG KOOT ALLIANCE REPORT (Rex Dusting) :

The KKA Report for 2023 / 2024 can be found at Appendix D.

RIVER OFFICER REPORT (May Lee) :

The River Officer's Report for 2023 / 2024 can be found at Appendix E.

WATERWATCH REPORT (May Lee) :

The Waterwatch Report for 2023 / 2024 can be found at Appendix F.

TREASURER’S REPORT (Fred Bullock) :

Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc

Inc. No. A0037872K

Assets, income and expenses summary for FY 31/8/2023 to 30/8/2024

Assets at 30/8/2023

Westpac account 033-065 573951 \$7,361.50

Income 31/8/2023 to 30/8/2024

Subscriptions	\$245.00	
Grants	\$26,265.50	
Donations	\$180.00	
Interest	\$229.89	
Total income		\$26,920.39

Expenses 31/8/2023 to 30/8/2024

Plant tube stock	\$25,180.35	
Subscriptions to similar associations	\$80.00	
Consumer Affairs fee	\$63.60	
Website	\$135.72	
Printing, Office & sundry expenses	\$284.79	
Hall insurance	\$168.30	
Guest speaker	\$21.99	
Total expenses		\$25,934.75

Assets at 30/8/2024

Westpac account 033-065 573951 \$8,347.14

Future major expense allowances

Valley Reserve education garden	\$600.00	
National Tree Day sausage sizzle (estimate)	\$900.00	
Total allowances		\$1,500.00

30/8/2024 Net Balance \$6,847.14

Prepared by F G Bullock, Treasurer

F.G. Bullock 18/9/24

Reviewed by A S Walker, President

Sally Walker 18/9/24

RESOLUTION ITEM 8 :

The President moved the Resolution that the association increase the membership subscription from \$5 per annum to \$10 per annum. The proposed increase will take place in stages as outlined in the special note accompanying the notice for Schedule of Change to Annual Subscription which can be found at Appendix G. The motion was proposed by Sally Walker and seconded by Alfred Uhlherr. Sixteen financial members voted by show of hands in favour of the motion, there were no votes against accepting the motion. The Resolution was therefore adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

The Public Officer noted that due to the rules, all positions needed to be declared vacant.

Nominations were received, duly nominated and seconded for:

President	Sally Walker
Vice-President	Danielle Cini
Treasurer	Fred Bullock
Secretary and Public Officer	May Lee
Committee Members	Kylie Burgin
	Tony Walker
	Rex Disting
	Kayla Sibly
	Bharathy Shanmugam
	Marilyn Thompson

There was only one nomination for each executive position, so these members were declared elected. As the rules allow for 8 Ordinary Committee Members the nominated Committee Members were declared elected.

ASSOCIATION STATEMENT:

It was noted that the Association Statement is entered on-line. This will be completed by the Public Officer.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

The President gave thanks:

To our members for your support.

She welcomed the incoming committee members.

MEETING CLOSURE:

The meeting closed at 9.39 pm.

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