

MINUTES FOR SACTCG EXECUTIVE MEETING
19 JULY 2016.

Meeting started at 5pm.

Present: Glenys Patulny, Martine Franco, Martin Lind, Brian Butler, Wendy Rainbird, Alan Ford, Fiona Spier, Clive Hurlstone, Grayson Cummings, Miranda Gardner.

Apologies: Jenny Horsfield, Jann White, Geoff Hyles.

1. **Minutes of last meeting** was approved with amendments as reported by Wendy.
2. **Matters arising:** discussion and decisions arising from the Coordinator's report should be recorded. Regarding the West Greenway/Thompson proposed development close to the Murrumbidgee River: Glenys is to attend a combined forum with the Tuggeranong Council on 27/7/16, that is to be Chaired by David Shorthouse. Also, Anne I'Ons was invited to speak to the meeting about a proposed "ACT Southern Parks Wildlife corridor", but she declined to come. Matthew Frawley was contacted to come to speak.
3. **Treasurer's Report.** Jann was away.
Points raised: 1: Oi sends reports to Martine and Glenys, and they shall forward those reports to members before the meetings. 2. Martine needs to access the accounts to see what is happening. 3. Oi and Jann to check if there is a new version of MYOB so as to get Financial Year balances, and check "Zero" as it is clearer to use. 4. Volunteer grants (small) have been used to get equipment.
4. **Landcare ACT report.** There is a Board meeting on Thursday 21/7/16 and Glenys is a member. On Monday 1/8/16 there is to be a meeting of the Members' Council where SACTCG is represented as Martine and Miranda, when there is to be an open discussion about how Molonglo's new structure affects the other two groups, and how the 3 groups work more collaboratively. There are a number of regional projects: Green Army, and Indigenous Projects. Important to maintain Landcare Network.
5. Correspondence: nil
6. **Coordinator's Report:** On file. Martine spoke of Green Army teams and bookings being taken, with Liz's group starting. Martine has reported on their work so far.
7. As Matthew Frawley and his partner arrived, he spoke about the proposed "Southern ACT Park", that would include all existing Parkcare groups and Nature Reserves and include the Murrumbidgee River Corridor, to the Bullen Range, so it is more a landscape scale, and goes beyond the hilltop reserves to include the lowlands and river corridor. This would add to connectivity. There are delicate ecosystems along the river valley. Originally there was to be a 500 metre buffer between any urban development and the river corridor. But the proposed West Greenway/ Thompson suburb would be 50-100 metres close to the river. The local Indigenous people should be involved because of the

cultural importance of the Murrumbidgee River corridor. There is a second round of consultation about suburban development on 27/7/16, and that meeting should guide outcomes. The Canberra Nature Park Management Plan refers to the associations between the Nature Reserves and river.

8. **Waterwatch report:** WW data is being collected for the next CHIP report for June-July. Work for Icon Water contract is for curriculum materials and Martin will talk with Stromlo. A new Green Army team has done 7 riparian assessments. Report on file.
9. **New business:** * Southern ACT Regional Park was discussed, as above.
*LACT Members' council was discussed as above. *Insurance update: no more news from Parks & Cons regarding insurance of Parkcare groups.
*SATCG policies had only just been given to some members, so need more time to consider them, & members to send comments. Miranda to work on Records Management policy. * Strategic Plan: Glenys to contact John Feint about a consultant to write these plans. * UMCCC want to employ Fiona for half-day admin work and SACTG supports that.
10. No other business, so meeting closed at 6:28 pm.

Next meeting 16th August at SACTCG office, Wanniasa at 5pm.