

MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 2020

WHEN: November 4th, 2020. 6:30 PM

WHERE: ESKDALE PUBLIC HALL

No.	AGENDA ITEM	NOTES	RESPONSIBILITY
1	Attendance Apologies	<p>Attendance: Simon Feillafe, Anita Reynolds, Doris Razeng, Irene Lewis, Judy Cardwell, Bob Kendall, Glenda Turnbull, Robyn Scales, Marie Condon.</p> <p>Apologies: Karen Moroney, Peter Razeng,</p>	Elected Chair For Meeting: Robyn Scales
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The September 2, 2020 minutes were tabled and endorsed as a true and correct record of that meeting.	<p>Endorse Moved: Irene Lewis Second: Doris Razeng</p>
3	Business Arising from Previous Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparations for AGM: It was discussed and agreed by all present that we will have our AGM on the 6th of December 2020 at 11am at the Dartmouth pub and that Simon Feillafe would officiate the election process. Due to CoVid there will not 	

		<p>be a guest speaker this year but an invitation to attend an informal luncheon to mark the AGM and end of year celebration with a lunch to be provided for attendees. . Robyn will organize the invitation in a flyer format while Irene and Doris will organize a mail box drop for the flyers and emails will be sent to all members .with notice of the AGM There will be no zoom link so people will need to vote by proxy if need be.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logo to be redrawn still in progress • We are encouraged to get all updated reports to Karen to update the web site. Karen is currently working on this with Suwana 	
5	Correspondence/Receipts	<p>In: E-Mails various</p> <p>Out: Emails forwarded to members as needed</p>	For Noting: Anita Reynolds
6	Treasurer's Report	Treasurers Report presented for discussion and endorsement -	Endorse: Moved Treasurer: Seconded: Anita Reynolds
7	Facilitator Report	<p>Table Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simon tabled his report for the month and explained the grants that he has applied for under the M2M Group and that range across this area. 	

		<p>Three Grants have been applied for totalling \$240,000 Details as per report for October 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simon sought confirmation from the group to future plan regarding projects – when he talks with members if they have a project he will catalogue them across the area so that we are Grant ready when the opportunity arises. The group agreed with this approach. • ACTION: Irene to send Simon an updated members list 	
	Grants Proposed	See Facilitators report for October 2020 for details fo the three grants applied for	Simon Feillafe
8	<u>PROJECT UP-DATES:</u>		For Noting:
8.1	DUNG BEETLES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Until we know the outcome of the Grant Application submitted for the purchase of more Dung Beetles no further action will occur • We are looking at applying for two species the Bubas Bison and the O.Vacca. . The Bubas Bison and the Geotrupous Spiniger (Winter active beetles) are well established in the Mitta Valley and doing well but the O.Vacca program we embarked on in 2019 has yielded disappointing results with poor hatchings to date and further investigation into why has revealed that they are crawling out of the enclosures so monitoring exactly what is happening has been difficult but our Facilitator has recommended we persist as then both our Spring and Autumn needs would be covered 	Judy Cardwell

		<p>which has been the gap in our program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We will put a report in the Bush and Bull after the emergence in late summer. ● Judy has submitted an up-to-date report as per attachment. 	
8.2	DEER	<p>*Article by Simon Feillafe on Harvesting activity in the Mitta Valley and surrounding area was placed in the Mitta Valley Bush n Bull newspaper in October20.</p> <p>*Discussion ensued on a report Doris had heard on the radio, that the Government was planning to put money into community groups to organise deer culls.</p> <p>*It was noted that the infestation of Deer in areas that are intensively harvested has certainly seen a drop in sightings and activity but the deer simply move onto other areas..</p> <p>*Bob Kendell has a quote of \$30,000.00 for materials to put up a deer fence around his farm.</p>	
8.3	WEED CONTROL	<p>No discussions this time. Mention was made of the increase in rabbit population and that \$5 per rabbit carcass is being offered through the deer processing companies</p>	
8.4	BLACKBERRY BIO-CONTROL GROUP	<p>Host specific testing is going ahead. Simon will be collecting Patterson Curse bio-control and Glenda will organise to help on the trip to get bugs for her own place. It was noted that the bugs need two years to start establishment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It was discussed and agreed upon by all present which members would represent MVLG in the M2M Group for the year ahead. The members chosen were Bob Kendell and Doris Razeng. 	Doris Razeng

8.5	EAT LOCAL SUNDAY EVENTS:	No report	
9.	<u>OTHER BUSINESS:</u>		
9.1	LOGO	Discussed in business arising. In Progress	Robyn Scales
9.2	MVLG Sign Refurbishment	Progress on this linked to the logo	All
10	<u>NEW BUSINESS;</u>	<p>The need to be 'Incorporated.' was raised again.</p> <p>While this subject has been raised in the past on further investigation it was agreed it is advantageous to the group to pursue this status.</p> <p>It was agreed that David Hardwick of Land Soil Food be contacted to discuss the matter in more depth and obtain a quote for his services to progress to being an Incorporated body.</p> <p>. All were in agreement with this start.</p> <p>Moved by Irene, Seconded by Judy Cardwell.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MVLG has been running without a President for one year – to date each meeting we have nominated a President/Chair for that meeting and done this in rotation and it has been working well. <p>It was agreed that we need to have more members included in the rotation for this role if someone does not step forward for the Presidency at our up-coming AGM. get more members in the committee first to have more active members to share</p>	Robyn Scales

11	<u>EVENT CALENDAR: FUTURE DATES</u>		ALL
12	Next Meeting	Dartmouth Hotel - 11:00am. 6th December 2020	All
13	Meeting Closure	8:00pm	

ITEM	ACTION	Responsibility	COMPLETED
BEETLE GRANT		Judy	In Progress
WEBSITE	Karen is compiling updated data to go on site	Karen Moroney	In Progress
FROG/WATERWAYS GRANT	Up-Dates if applicable	Simon Feillafe	In Progress
BIO CONTROL	Collecting Flea Beetle for Pattersons Curse	Simon Feillafe and Glenda Turnbull	In Progress
PUBLIC SIGNAGE	Renovate Sign on Roadside \$900 NECMA17/18 Grant		In Progress
LOGO	Develop	Robyn Scales	In Progress