

fortpin Coordinating Committee Meeting
Monday 9 July, 2012 7-30 pm

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Attended: Warren Bond (Treasurer), John Brannan, Heather Burness, Vaughn Cox (Convenor), Don Driscoll

1. Apologies

Nil

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting (23 Apr 2012)

Moved Pax; seconded Heather; accepted unanimously

Actions from previous meeting completed except for:

- 4) Heather to plan some occasional themed displays on the noticeboard. [*In progress*]
All CC members to contribute information that might be used for these displays
- 5) Warren to investigate using facebook and twitter [*on notice*]
- 6) Heather to get comparative quotes for the printing of 1000 A5 flyers in Black and White and Colour in preparation for a letterbox drop [*not done*]
- 7) Heather to coordinate the review and finalizing of the draft OH&S Guidelines [*not done*]
- 8) John to draw up a plan for seed collection and propagation [*in progress*]
- 9) Warren to remind members leading activities on the Reserve of the need to complete a sign-on form and send the completed form to him in a timely manner for collation. [*not done*]

3. Correspondence in and out / Business arising

Correspondence and attachments placed in dropbox for Committee members to view.
Noted.

No business arising

4. Convenor's Report

Key features of the period since the last Committee meeting, and events planned, include:

- ACT Parks calling off the kangaroo survey planned for June 10th. This was due to Parks' concern at the potential for cull protestor's antisocial, disruptive behaviour ;
- that Parks purchased an additional 120 coir logs for further erosion control works on the Bottom Pinnacle (scoped by David Tongway), and are making arrangements to deliver woody weed material from Mt Ainslie to augment the logs. Funding for the logs is through the Woodlands Plan;
- Committee released a policy on the need for the kangaroo cull;
- upcoming events include a rescheduled kangaroo survey on Sunday 19th August, rabbit warren entrance mapping immediately following the kangaroo survey, plantings during August and our campaign to encourage the ACT Government to commit to including North Kama and Bottom Pinnacle in the Nature Reserve and to undertake a contaminated site assessment of the shed shearing complex on the former; and
- the interest we have from members to fill all Committee positions at the next AGM.

Noted.

5. Treasurer's Report / Business arising

Financial Statement for the period 1 July to 30 June 2012 was tabled by Warren. This is the Statement being audited for the AGM. There have been no transactions since 30 June.

Moved: Warren; seconded: Pax; accepted unanimously

No business arising

6. Membership Report

Current Membership: 57

Total other interested people on email lists: 49

We welcome one new member since the last meeting: Christian Stricker.

Noted.

7. Kangaroo count

Pax reported that the count scheduled for 10 June had be cancelled by PCS because of concerns for fotpin members' safety following the kangaroo cull protestor's antisocial, disruptive behaviour.

It has been rescheduled for 19th August.

Noted.

8. Pinnacle revegetation program

John reported that there had been a small follow-up planting on Sunday 8th July; 12 dead plants from the October planting were replaced, and 12 plants were placed in ripped rabbit warren sites.

Noted.

The Committee thanks Malcolm Fyfe for providing the plants from his nursery.
Moved JB seconded Pax. Carried unanimously.

9. Belconnen Hills Woodlands Restoration Project

John reported that he had finalized agreement with Greening Australia for a small community planting as part of the Woodland Restoration Project, and that we needed to select a date.

It was agreed that of the dates offered the first week in September would be the most desirable.

10. Native Grass Regeneration Project

Don reported that he had completed a draft of the project report to date and circulated it to the Committee for comment. He reminded us that the intention was for this to serve the purposes of both a formal report, a brochure for distribution to interested people, and a pdf document for our website; the purpose of it was both to inform and to potentially recruit participants for the coming activities.

He also reported that the burning treatment has now been applied with the assistance of PCS, and the winter slashing has also been completed.

The Committee agreed that we should send a letter to the ACT Government thanking them for their assistance.

Don further advised of forthcoming Project activities:

- Sugar application in August
- Spring survey in November recruitment needed
- Follow-up slashing in December

Noted

Action Arising

Don to draft a letter to Minister Corbell thanking the Government for its assistance with burning the plots, and **Pax** to send.

11. Annual General Meeting Planning

Selection of venue and notification of membership has been completed.

Heather suggested that it was necessary for a formal agenda be circulated to members as well the notice that Pax had sent.

Action Arising

Pax to send a reminder notice along with a formal agenda for the AGM to members.

Catering: in hand

Returning officer: Pax to pursue a couple of options

Nominees for positions: Apart from Treasurer, we have at least one nomination for each position. The Committee made some suggestions that Pax will follow up.

12. North Kama Focal Point

Heather reported that she and Mark were working on a lobbying strategy to get things moving for the contaminated site assessment to get underway.

Noted.

Action Arising

Heather to make inquiries of PCS as to the status of the contaminated site assessment.

13. Spring Program

Heather discussed the options for the Spring Program that she had been considering including another attempt at the “Great Walk” that had to be cancelled from the Autumn Program, a Bird Walk (John), a wildflower walk (Rosemary Blemings), and, by request, a kids’ event involving three presenters, possibly John Brannan, Don and Heather. Heather is still making inquiries for running a photography workshop.

It was agreed that the Program should start in early September and continue until mid-November..

Action Arising

Heather to organise dates and the program by mid August for the poster to be designed and distributed.

14. Other Business

14.1 Grazing in North Kama

Don raised his concerns that grazing was continuing in North Kama, suggesting that this was detrimental to the biodiversity of the property and therefore at odds with our desires to encourage its conservation.

After discussion the Committee agreed that while recognizing the intention of grazing was to manage fire hazard, the need for this and the possible alternatives should be explored with the ACT Government.

Action Arising

Don to draft a policy position on the appropriateness of grazing in North Kama and circulate it to the Committee.

15. Next Meeting

The next Coordinating Committee meeting will be held on Sunday 22nd July immediately prior to the AGM.

Meeting Concluded 9-20 pm

16. Summary of Actions Arising

Outstanding from previous meeting

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- 4) **Heather** to coordinate the review and finalizing of the draft OH&S Guidelines
- 5) **John** to draw up a plan for seed collection and propagation
- 6) **Warren** to remind members leading activities on the Reserve of the need to complete a sign-on form and send the completed form to him in a timely manner for collation.

Arising from this meeting

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17. Tabled Reports/papers/ documents

17.1 [Agenda Item 5: Treasurer's Report](#)

**Friends of The Pinnacle
Statement of Receipts and Payments
For the period 01-Jul-2011 to 30-Jun-2012**

Opening balance on 01-Jul-2011		\$429.45
Receipts		
Membership	\$30.00	
Interest	\$0.18	
		<u>\$30.18</u>
Payments		
Stationery	\$19.00	
Equipment	\$28.55	
		<u>\$47.55</u>
Surplus of receipts over payments		<u>-\$17.44</u>
Closing balance on 30-Jun-2012		<u><u>\$412.08</u></u>
Reconciled to:		
CPS Account 03356841	\$283.48	
Petty Cash	\$128.60	
		<u>\$412.08</u>
Less unrepresented Cheques	\$0.00	
Total		<u><u>\$412.08</u></u>

Warren Bond
Treasurer
08 Jul 2012