

# Minutes

~~AGENDA~~ CRVA executive meeting 27-9-16

Present – John Butcher, Chris Shanley, Julie Corkery, Peter Munro, Nadia Wheatley

Apologies – Jennifer Newman, Ann Leahy

Minutes AGM & General meeting. Minutes of last General Meeting will be endorsed at next General meeting.

Correspondence – email from Bayside Council, informing of newly amalgamated Council (formerly Rockdale & Botany Councils.

- Beach Watch Report of testing for swimmability at 3 sites on River. **Action:** JB to circulate to membership and send copy to Jo Haylen, Linda Burney & Tony Burke

Finance - Comm Bank - \$1,190. ING Direct - \$10,550. Total - \$11,740  
Income & expenditure since 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 – Income - \$433 Expenditure - \$115

Membership – 102 (including 1 corporate membership). **Action:** NW to email Mudcrabs to inform them of vital role played by CRVA in supporting Mudcrabs activities & encouraging them to join CRVA

Constitution – CS reports that new constitution, endorsed at AGM, has been forwarded to Dept Fair Trading. Vote of thanks to CS in recognition of the work that has gone into updating the constitution.

Office Bearers – **Action:** Chris Shanley appointed as Public Officer. Ann Leahy appointed as Publicity Officer

Cooks River Community Day Out – evaluation of event, seen as very successful with considerable interest in CRVA/Mudcrabs stall over course of Day.

Cooks River Alliance – report that Executive Officer, Stephen Summerhayes has resigned. Position has been advertised. Concern expressed by JB & PM that ongoing funding of Cooks River Alliance by Councils is under threat following amalgamation. **Action:** JB & PM to write to Premier & Minister for Local Govt highlighting State Govt promise that Council services will not be cut following amalgamations and seeking undertaking to have funding of Cooks river Alliance re-instated.

Council reports – Report from JB, PM & NW of meeting with senior officers from Canterbury/Bankstown Council. **Action:** PM to follow up with community groups involved in Gough Whitlam & Waterworth Parks action related to archery range and bicycle training facility. Council about to re-open community consultation

Canterbury Racecourse & media statement. Gareth Wreford has prepared a media release from CRVA/Mudcabs, indicating intention to seek out and ally

with other community groups concerned with the future of Canterbury racecourse. Media release endorsed. **Action:** JB to contact Gareth Wreford to seek publication of press release. JB to forward CRVA letterhead to Gareth.

Tagged trees – PM reported on actions related to tagged trees by Shell/Caltex and outcome of recent meeting with management of Caltex. **Action:** PM to report to CRVA/Mudcrab group by email.

Sydenham-Bankstown metro and corridor – CRVA & Mudcrabs have formally joined the Alliance and media release expected this week.

SOS Green Spaces – brief report of community consultation by TEC

Sydney Water projects **Action:** PM to contact Dan Cunningham (Sydney Water) requesting Dan to make presentation to a General CRVA meeting about SW plans for naturalization of Muddy Creek, canal through Mackie Park & O'Shea's Creek.

Calendar program for 2017 – JB discussed possibility of preparing and printing a CRVA calendar. No decision reached.

Other Business – discussion of guest speaker concept. Doug Benson presentation very successful but venue too small & time too short. Future guest speakers (Ian Tyrell) to have stand alone presentations, possibly at Marrickville West PS school hall on a weekday evening in March/April 2017. **Action:** PM to follow up with MWPS.

CRVA pamphlets – need to update pamphlet & reprint. **Action:** NW & JB to look at alterations and approach Damon Bassett to update design, then get new pamphlet printed (1000 copies??)

Peter Munro  
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