

**Start Meeting: 18:30**

**End Meeting: 18:50**

**Attendees:** Peter Valentine (PV); Simon Burchill (SB); Leanne Hales (L H) Ceinwen Edwards (CE); Amanda Kaiwi (AK); John McKenzie (McK); Amy Shima (AS)

**Apologies:** Margit Cianelli (MC); Wise Lum (WL)

**Correspondence:**

- Newsletter (electronic version) sent out Sun 2 Oct 22, print versions to be posted; additional print copies available at AGM
- Ian Gibbs-Green ringtail possum observations paper → recommended he submit to NQ Naturalist.
- Sharon Williams-has offered to make up some games for TKMG-all agreed that this would be great and approved letting Sharon know to go ahead with project.

**Minutes from Sept 2022 Committee meeting for approval.**

**New Memberships: all new members accepted by Committee**

Daniela Matheus-Holland (\$45, paid 12Sept22); David & Pamela Jones (\$75 paid 12Sept22)  
Caroline Thiele (O'Reilly) (\$30 paid dd)

**Renewed memberships:**

Graham & Gill Harrington \$75; Avril Underwood \$45; Caroline O'Reilly \$30; Jim Brooks \$60; Alan Whitton \$15; Kirsten Pearce \$30; Robert McKenna \$15; Julia Hazel \$75; Leonard Arnold \$45; Patrick deGeest \$75; Wendy Cooper \$75 (30Oct22)

AS to send out 'welcome' emails to new members and 'thank you for renewing' emails to renewing members.

**AS report on membership:** Membership totals (current 6 Oct 2022): 144 current financial members; 61 members 1 or 2 years in arrears (total membership ~205)

**PV:**

- Community grant for Northern Bettong-Mt Spurgeon
- Jirrbal Ranger Group-project plan from John Winter (info forwarded to Committee members by AS)
- Out of session request (urgent and time-sensitive) from Irene Gorman on behalf of TREAT for letter of support from TKMG for TREAT grant application for revegetation/fencing at Gourka Rd property belonging to Sue Careless. PV and AS discussed out-of-session (having been personally contacted by Irene Gorman). PV wrote a letter of support on behalf of TKMG; Committee all agreed that this was OK and approved this action.

**Correspondence:**

- TKMG registration as DAF Scientific User confirmed (valid 27Sept 2022-26 Sept 2025)
- Request from Caroline O'Reilly for Malanda Falls Visitor Centre membership (5 yr) invoice, request passed on to SB (Purchase order 18326 for invoice)
- CAFNECFN Q Environment Roundtable 7 Oct 2022 – no one from committee able to attend

**Treasurers Report:** (updated version to be sent to Committee); SB noted that audit cost of \$600 will be due; also noted that for Rebecca Connor (12Sept22) membership, no dues received yet-will need to contact Rebecca. Noted that Treasurer will need to send an invoice to TRC for membership for Malanda Falls VC (AS will provide SB with PO number from TRC).

## **TKMG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 6 Oct 2022: Minutes**

**Start time: 19:15**

**Finished: 19:40**

**Apologies:** Don Franklin; David & Joanne Murphy (Treetops Sanctuary, Jaggan); Julia Hazel; Sue Jackson/Alex Will, Rupert Russell

**Members attending (42):** L Arnolda, R Brinsmead, S Benefer, A Whitton, B Bogart, I Bologna, S Burchill, R Chapman, I Clark, C Edwards, A Emmott, A Faigniez, A Freeman, A Gillanders, G Hardy, J Horton, G Harrington, S Heise-Pavlov, S Huntress, P Jones, A Kaiwi, F Kroon, D Westcott, R Martin, J McKenna, J McKenzie, R&P Michna, N Preece, R Rogers, A Shima, G Spanner, A Underwood, P&V Valentine, P vanOosterzee, S&M Willis, J Winter, H Myles, W&R Young

**Also attending:** B Lanskey, A Klose, S Nowakowski, N O'Connell, H Irvine, D Donoghue, H Broser-Cooper, P Curtis. M

President Peter Valentine opened the meeting with a brief address and welcome to all.

Minutes from 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) were made available to members; motion to accept the 2021 AGM minutes was made by John McKenzie, seconded by Simon Burchill and approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report was tabled by Simon Burchill and made available, along with Auditor Report from Eacham Accountants to members for viewing. Simon Burchill moved that Treasurers and Auditors Reports be accepted, Gary Horton seconded and motion was approved unanimously. Simon Burchill moved that auditor (Eacham Accounting) be reappointed, Noel Preece seconded, unanimously passed by membership.

PV gave an abbreviated Presidents report and noted that the full report will be published in an upcoming issue of Mammal Mail newsletter.

Presentation by PV of the 2022 William T. Cooper Prize for Conservation Award to: Steven Nowakowski

Moved to accept 2021 AGM minutes (JMCK, seconded SB, all confirmed)

SB moved that auditors report be accepted, Gary Hardy seconded; all confirmed.

SB moved that auditor (Eacham Accounting) be appointed, Noel Preece seconded; all confirmed.

Declaration of all offices vacant at 19:40. Alan Gillanders stepped up to chair meeting and election of office bearers and committee members:

Nominations for Executive Committee and General Committee members were noted as follows and accepted by membership with no additional nominations made from the floor:

**President:** Peter Valentine

**Vice-President:** Leanne Hales

**Treasurer:** Simon Burchill

**Secretary:** Amy Shima

**Nominations for General Committee members:**

Margit Cianelli

Ceinwen Edwards

Amanda Kaiwi

Wise Lum

John McKenzie

Avril Underwood

Alan Gillanders concluded the meeting at 19:43 and handed the meeting back over to re-elected President, Peter Valentine.

Brief interlude for coffee and nibbles before meeting resumed for presentation by Steve Nowakowski on amazing places in the Wet Tropics. Peter Valentine also thanked Geoff Spanner for recording several of the presentations given to TKMG during the past year.

This is an accurate representation of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Tree-kangaroo & Mammal Group, Inc. conducted on 6 October 2022.

Signed: 

Peter Valentine, President

Date: 14 Sept 2023