



Murramarang Community Garden
Growing Food Together

Committee Meeting
11 January 2014 @ 10am

Present: John, Malcolm, Ewan, Sandra, Kirrilee, Harley

Apologies: Leon, Sharon

Agenda Item 1: Business Arising from last meeting

Minutes accepted, with one exception.

Agenda Item 2: Treasurers Report

\$2852.11 in bank, current fundraising \$1000 raised at the cake stall and \$1742.75 raised at the Kioloa Fair, membership & plot rentals still due so financially still afloat. Move treasurers report should be accepted.

Agenda Item 3: Garden Managers Report

Garden managers report will be submitted electronically. Garden manager does not like being misquoted.

Agenda Item 4: Easter Fair Template & Planning

Easter Fair Template & Planning - Set up a subcommittee, it would take too long for decisions and we now have a committee where we can talk and get equal say. John, Cettina & Sandra, John asked Helen but did not want to. Sub committee stands as elected and they have the power to co-opt any further members for assistance. Decision to accept Cettina's template without the new highlighted amendments but that any suggestions from the debrief/committee for the Easter fair be put to Cettina by Sandra.

Agenda Item 5: Template for Kioloa Fair - should we look at putting something similar in place for this fundraising event?

Template for Kioloa Fair - Suggested it could be same committee as above, not accepted, Sandra offered to do a template for the Kioloa Fair. Sport & Rec committee using this method as example with much success with record profits and it was an idea to have a template to be handed on to the next organisers.

Agenda Item 6: Presentation to community at the BPKCA meeting on 17th Feb

Malcolm & Ewen to give the talk to on 17th Feb. All committee in favour.



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Agenda Item 7: Construction of the Composting toilet

Composting toilet, to go ahead with the voluntary members & Malcolm (John, Harley, Leon, Sandra & Kirrilee), to be erected as soon as possible, using available materials around the garden. Rod Hayes to be asked if he could design something for us. (Rod Accepted on the day of meeting)

Agenda Item 8: Preparations for the Ulladulla Garden Club Visit

April visit/lunch fundraiser, John suggested that Helen might agree to sort out the details with Marie, Helen to notify Kirrilee of the dates and numbers.

Agenda Item 9: How do we proceed with the new area?

Talking to Judith about fund applications, Sandra suggested pegging out the area with twine (has some she can donate) as we can get started with the garden planting.

Agenda Item 10: Correspondence & General Business

1. Other matters, Sandra suggested we construct a ramp so members can get donated mowers and get them off the ute and we should provide the fuel for the mowers. Doug has an idea of where & how. Was decided to get Malcolm to look into buying ramps portable ramps and get some prices.
2. Malcolm, have an issue that an e-mail was misquoted and sent to the membership, would like to make a motion that all correspondence from the committee members is sent as written without alteration. All in favour.
3. Covers, must be individual and any beds in between be taken out. Have ruling of only one plot but if we have left over plot make it discretionary, Ewan suggested offering it to the Bangalow club members. Suggest we do a drive to drum up more members. John agree to remove the 1 only plot back to discretionary for the committee depending on the garden take-up. All agreed
4. Ewen asked about the numbering, offered to do the painting on the beds – was agreed Beds to be numbered consecutively rather than north bed, south bed etc.
5. Suggest we submit something for the Bawley Point Kioloa Newsletter, coming up for submission on the 15 Jan. Kirrilee to ask Kate to put piece in the Milton Ulladulla times, Helen to organize the Bawley Point Newsletter.
6. Tank, what is happening with it, being moved to other side of pergola and put some guttering to go into the tank

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7. Shadehouse, to be reconstructed. Ewan suggested a solar panel for automatic watering, take the water from the dam but Malcolm suggested manual timers with filter.
8. Maintenance of compost, getting out of control, can we sort it out a bit. There is an issue, others that used to assist are unable to do it anymore. Need a volunteer to take charge of it, Malcolm explains what is involved. Harley does not mind helping, can coordinate with Malcolm.
9. Harley would like to get the citrus going, make circles a bit bigger and add some nitrogen. Permission given to buy some bags of cow poo and proceed.
10. Ewen would like to discuss the lack of harmony and had to do with peoples opinions and personalities. Open to suggestions on how to rectify it. Invite to all members to come along on a Saturday, has been moves to approach these people but you can't force and you can only ask. Maybe we could send a letter to some members of the community that were part of the garden. Agree that a couple of committee members get together to write something and post to these members, was discussion about sending to everyone but wondered if this would cause confusion to those who are not aware (eg. new members etc) was decided it would be better to send to all members.
11. Good idea to plant some trees for the parking area, Malcolm to speak to Steve about what best to plant, maybe fast growers that are sacrificial to take down when the others are more established.
12. John: the issue of the nets and raising the supports, do we need to re-enforce this with members?
13. Request from Ewen for all committee members to refrain from making committee decisions via email but rather to discuss matters at committee meetings.
14. If require an e-mail addressed/sent to members and Secretary does not respond within a day or 2 at most give her a quick call to let her know something needs to be addressed. Kirrilee to also resend correct e-mail address to all committee members as some e-mails not getting through.

Meeting closed at 11.15.