**AGENDA**

***General Meeting***

***MURRAMARANG COMMUNITY GARDEN Inc.***

Garden Site, ANU Kioloa Coastal Campus

Murramarang Rd. Kioloa

Saturday 17 August 2019 – following AGM, held at 10AM

**COVID 19 protocols will be in place for this meeting – i.e. wear a mask, bring your own hand sanitiser, maintain social distancing at all times (at least 1.5 metres apart).**

**Chair**: Marg Hamon

1. **Apologies:** Marie O’Connell, Barbara White, Peter White, Niree Creed.
2. **Business arising** from Minutes of General Meeting, 21 August 2019 (posted on website)
3. **Reports:**

* Presidents Report – Ewen Sussman
* Finance –Richard Lake
* Garden Managers report –Harley Delves

1. **General and any other business**
2. Judith: *Retirement of Steve Tedding von Berkhout*

**Motion***:* That the Murramarang Community Garden thank Steve for all he has done to facilitate the establishment and maintenance of the community garden since its inception in 2010. An appropriate gift, such as a framed painting or large format-photograph of the local environment of Kioloa be presented to Steve and Robin in thanks for their exceptional commitment to MCG.

**Proposed:** Judith

**Seconded:**

1. Judith: In 2020 we will celebrate the 10th Year since our inauguration in October 2010. Construction of the garden began in January 2011. It is proposed that we all support the previously appointed planning committee to celebrate 10 years of outstanding achievement for Murramarang Community Garden.

***Motion*:** That the Planning Committee (Leonie, Marie), report to the MCG Management Committee concerning their thoughts about appropriate events to celebrate our 10th Anniversary.

**Proposed:** Judith

**Seconded**:

1. Barbara White – (to be read by Judith)

The current stone-based roadway from the top gate currently ends in a rapidly deteriorating, boggy hole, which, when it eventually dries out, causes a hazardous depression.  Over several weeks I have attempted to remediate the dip in a small way by carrying buckets of stones which have been deposited in the hole to give some stability to the quagmire but consider the project to remediate the access requires a decision from the Management Committee.

My suggestions would be;

* either to continue the job of collecting rocks to fill the hole, OR
* reuse some of the broken concrete from the rubble pile in top paddock (near the first gate) and use it to fill in the hole and reinforce the corner.
* Order a load of road base, similar to that used on the roadway in the past.   Most of us will remember the slippery, pot-holed road track that was originally our access.

***Motion****:* That MCG Management Committee urgently adopt a plan to remediate the dangerous end of the roadway, choosing one of the options listed above.

**Proposed:**

**Seconded:**

1. Barbara White – The compost bays were constructed to recycle our garden waste to provide a valuable resource for our food-growing efforts, adding nutrients and microbes back into our garden beds. Despite temporary signage it is evident that occasionally the compost bins are not used appropriately, resulting in the contamination of a whole bin of compost. It is therefore evident that we need clear and durable signage indicating the purpose and workings of the compost bins.

***Motion:*** That we have durable signage made to indicate to gardeners the “composting protocols” that should be followed when using the bins.

**Proposed:**

**Seconded**:

1. Barbara White – It is a necessity for most of us to drive vehicles to our garden site. Gardeners are expected to respect the garden surrounds and not park next to their plots and to leave their vehicles outside the gates. At a past meeting it was resolved that cars be parked along the eastern fence line and that shade trees be planted further back from the fence (Casuarina Littoralis?).

All the grassed areas are prone to extreme bogginess after heavy rain and it can be clearly seen that deep ruts are made when vehicles drive over these areas. Of OH &S concern, deep ruts and uneven ground caused by vehicles can (and has) resulted in a loss of balance, tripping and injury to our less stable members. The delivery of heavy materials or using the trailer for removal of debris are obviously necessary.

***Motion:*** That no vehicles enter the site of the community garden with the exception of delivery vehicles or those deemed necessary when constructing infrastructure or removing debris.

**Proposed:**

**Seconded**:

**Any other matters.**