

MONARO ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BIDGEE LODGE, 6 AUGUST 2022

1.0 Meeting opened at 1.10

2.0 Attendance

R Whiteway, J Bray, J Killip, K Pfeiffer, J Miller, N Buckland, G Wood, D Collier, M Sawa, P Batho, B Batho, S Treagust.

3.0 Apologies.

S Samuels, D Flinn, G Verney, B Blair, P Smith, F Smith G Barlin,

4.0 Previous Minutes.

That the minutes as circulated be adopted, Whiteway/Wood.

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes.

5.1 Applications have gone in to the Recreational Fishing Trust for funding for track maintenance around Lake Eucumbene and annual hire of a truck and purchase of a tank for the Hatchery.

6.0 Correspondence out

6.1 E Mail to JesusTaurezca, the Fisheries inspector, that the MAS have no objection to the installation of a camera at our Paddy's Corner reserve to support DPI compliance work.

7.0 Correspondence in

7.1 E Mail from Karl Mathers from Wedge Group consultants who are undertaking the options investigation for the grow out facility about an upcoming meeting of stakeholders.

7.2 E Mail letter from Snowy Monaro Regional Council confirming that car access to the East Jindabyne development will be maintained, with provision for a future boat ramp

8.0 Reports

Treasurers Report

The closing balance at 1 August 2022 was \$10,493.13. The Treasurer said that we owed \$580 for membership Of the CFA. **Moved R Whiteway/J Killip that we maintain support t the CFA and pay subs.**

The Treasurer is to pursue contact with the Branches, including collection of Branch officials contact details, to ensure ongoing collection of subs and branch numbers. Branch numbers are important as they contribute to the underpinning of our authority to represent the views of anglers. We need to support the Branch system but agreed the that we should continue investigation of individual membership to increase our coverage. A **Reminder Clubs affiliation fees are now due for the 22-23 financial year at \$3 per member.**

9.0 General Business

9.1 On the 15/6 the executive of the MAS met, discussed and agreed that the MAS would

- Take financial control and management responsibility for the Anglers Reach Boat Ramp Project
 - Would open a bank account in the name of the Anglers reach Boat Ramp Project, with two signatories, MAS Treasurer Kerry Pfeiffer, and Adaminaby Branch Trasurer John Eales.

9.2 Newspaper reports clearly showthat little action has been taken to reduce horse numbers in Kosiuszko National Park fom 14000 to 3000 as outlined in the new park management plan. 360 odd horses have been trapped since the plans announcement and some of those were returned because they were pregnant mares Makes good sense doesn't it!!! One has to doubt whether there is the political will to proceed. I suggested that we call for the Park to be delisted as a park seeing that its desecration by horses continues apace and unaddressed. If it is not being looked after as a National Park why

beat our heads against the wall?

This proposal was listed for discussion at the next meeting.

9.3 The President has spoken to Fisheries about the lack of communication with anglers about where stockings of Trout Cod are occurring suggesting they need to do more in this regard.

9.4 John Bray asked whether anyone knows where the Eucumbene dam level is measured. Any ideas?

9.5 The Fisheries Scientific Committee have released a discussion paper proposing the listing of 2 more galaxia species as threatened. One in the headwater tributaries of the Tuross river and one in the headwaters of the Snowy river. Both of these list trout as key threatening processes and make unjustified or unsupported claims about ongoing legal or illegal stockings of trout in the vicinity of these populations. To our knowledge no trout stocking occur in these areas. Also from a quick read I do not think that the threat from horses is mentioned in the Snowy River application. It is proposed to make a submission to these listings.

Closed 2.00 pm

Next Meeting, Bidgee Lodge Cooma, 1pm Saturday, November 5, 2022.