

MONARO ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:
BIDGEE LODGE: 5 FEBRUARY 2022

1.0 Meeting opened at 1.11 pm

2.0 Attendance S Samuels, R Whiteway, D Collier, J Bray, J Killip, K Pfeiffer, P Smith, F Smith, P Batho, D Flinn, M Sawa, M Ogilvie, G Verney.

3.0 Apologies. N Buckland, J Miller, B Blair, G Barlin, S Sturgeon, G Wood.

4.0 Previous Minutes.

That the minutes as circulated be adopted. Collier/Bray.

5.0 Reports

5.1 Treasurer's Report

The closing balance at 31 January 2022 was \$9,732.28 down \$1094.18 from the previous year. The Treasurer reported that Branch Subs should cover the expenses if clubs keep up their payments. Reminders were sent out to Branches that were 2 or more years behind last year, but only one Branch responded. This needs to be addressed. **Clubs affiliation fees are now due for the 22-23 financial year at \$3 per member. Reminder notices will be going out to clubs in arrears.**

5.2 Presidents Report

Copy attached via separate email. Whiteway/Pfeiffer

6.0 Election of Office Bearers

President Steve Samuels

Vice Presidents Kerry Pfeiffer

Secretary Rod Whiteway

Assistant Secretary Peter Batho

Treasurer Kerry Pfeiffer

Salmonid Adviser John Killip

MAS representative on the Gaden Hatchery Management Committee
—Steve Samuels

Delegates NSWCFCA. Any member can attend CFA meetings and details of meetings can be found on the NSWCFCA website which is a very informative newsletter of current issues. **However, the meeting recognised the work of Bill Blair (our permanent representative) in attending CFA meetings and reporting on activities.**

Publicity Committee Rod Whiteway, Peter Batho, Steve Samuels, Kerry Pfeiffer, Bill Blair, John Killip.

Allocation Committee Executive

Hon Solicitor To be confirmed Mark Flint.

Hon Auditor Libby Hovasapian

7.0 Affiliation Fees

Remain at \$3 per head.

Meeting closed at 1.50pm

MONARO ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BIDGEE LODGE, 5 FEBRUARY 2022

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4.0 Previous Minutes.

That the minutes as circulated be adopted, Batho/Bray.

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes.

5.1 We have a new permanent inspector located at Gaden, Jesus Taurezca. He does not know the area or the issues well. The President has invited him to the next meeting.

6.0 Correspondence out

6.1 Letters of support to Cooma Landcare and the upper Murrumbidgee Demonstration Reach, for two Habitat Action Grant Applications: (1) Riparian Weed Control and Planting, Cooma Creek, (2) Improving fish habitat in the upper Murrumbidgee River through placement of wooden structures in shallow sandy areas.

6.2 Letter to Jim Harnwell of Fisheries requesting that they investigate the closure of access to the Maclaughlin River adjacent to Warrigal Road near Nimmitabel.

7.0 Correspondence in

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Treasurers Report

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9.0 General Business

9.1 We understand that David Ryrie has been unwell and wish him a speedy recovery.

9.2 The president put in a submission to the Special Activation Plan for the Jindabyne region developed by the NSW Government which has been well received. Since then:

- The East Jindabyne proposed access Road crosses the bike path. We do not want this to be a potential reason for stopping car access
- In Hatchery Bay Access to the lake will be retained for anglers and our proposed pipeline to the hatchery
- The Council have put in an application for funding a new boat ramp on the lake. We have suggested that it goes on land opposite Waste Point. This would allow launching without accessing the National Park.

9.3 We believe that Lake Wallace at Nimmitabel has been illegally stocked. We warned Council that if we were not able to stock it and open it as a fishery, that this was likely to occur. It seems it has and it is only lucky that it was with trout not redfin .

We have a new Council in place and we think that it would be appropriate to approach Council once again to make Lake Wallace a legitimate Fishery under the NSW Fisheries/MAS stocking umbrella.

Motion: That members support the President approaching the Council and Fisheries to discuss the illegal stocking of Lake Wallace. Whiteway/Collier 9.4 Website access has lifted dramatically since October 2021. Motion: that we renew our website licence \$93.38. Collier/Batho

Closed 2.37 pm

Next Meeting, Bidgee Lodge Cooma, 1pm Saturday, May 7, 2022.