



DEEP CREEK LANDCARE GROUP

Covering Lancefield-Romsey Districts

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Deep Creek Landcare Group **November 9, 2009**

Present: Robert Green, John Blamey, George Lobb, Simon Kemp, Robin Ford, John and Jo Anderson, Pat Toomey, Hazel Shaw, Carol Matthew, Hayley Goodman, and David Blicblau.

1. **Apologies:** Ken Allender, Steve Hendy. **Accepted:** David Blicblau and Robert Green. **Carried.**
2. **Acceptance of Minutes of last AGM:** **Moved:** John Anderson and Robert Green. **Carried**
3. **Chairman's Report** was read to meeting (see copy attached). **Moved:** John Blamey, Jo Anderson (with acclamation on his excellent stewardship). **Carried.**
4. **Treasurer's Report** (per attached). **Moved:** David Blicblau for Steve Hendy, Robert Green. **Carried**

5. Election of Office Bearers

It was moved that 2 additional executive positions be allowed – Vice President and assistant Secretary.

Pat Toomey took the chair, thanked outgoing Office Bearers and congratulated them on a “job well done” and declared all positions vacant.

Nominations for President/Chairman: John Anderson (John Blamey) Elected unopposed.

Nominations for Vice President: John Blamey (David Blicblau) Elected unopposed.

Nominations for Secretary: Hayley Goodman (John Blamey) Elected unopposed.

Nominations for Assistant Secretary: David Blicblau (John Blamey) Elected unopposed.

Nominations for Treasurer: Stephen Hendy (David Blicblau) Elected unopposed.

Nomination for Funding/Applications Coordinator: Jo Anderson (David Blicblau) Elected unopposed

Nomination for Publicity Coordinator: Ken Allender (David Blicblau) Elected unopposed, subject to his acceptance. It was acknowledged that we need to provide additional support and drafts to ensure ken is better aware of groups activities.

John Anderson took the chair and acknowledged the leadership provided by John Blamey (a comment of “coming into bat after Bradman”!), and looked forward to the continued support of fellow executives and all members.

6. Annual Subscription: Motion that annual membership fees remain unchanged (\$20 per property, \$5 juniors). Pat Toomey, Robert Green. Carried.

7. Motion: That we pay R Green \$100 being for annual rental for space for Landcare Storage container. John Blamey, Carol Matthew. Carried.

8. Calender for 2011: The draft calendar for 2011 was presented for discussion. This was accepted, subject to any changes agreed at future meetings.

Outgoing secretary’s comment: It is encouraging that there are “new faces” on the executive this year. I think it is a further sign of the improving health and vitality of Deep Creek Landcare Group. Landcare overall is facing many challenges – less support from “professional coordinators” and in our case, also increased development pressures. For our group to “make a difference” we need to be as self reliant as possible, although drawing on the support of our Network and those organisations who still support the landcare movement. Our increasing recognition by Melbourne water and Western Water in particular are a well deserved reflection of the credibility of our performance.

“Many hands make light work”. Thank you especially to Hayley for agreeing to take over the secretary’s role.

General meeting followed: