



FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK (INC.)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Point Ann FRNP, Saturday 12thth March 2022

Meeting Opened: 13:05

1. Welcome to Members and Guests

Committee Members Delys, Sheryn and Kate welcomed everyone.

2. **Attendance:** Sheryn Prior, Kate Brown, Delys Harland, Jan Roberts, Paul Audin, Pam Jones, Geof Christie, Helen Taylor, Libby Sandiford, Bill Thompson, Ron Richards, Rosemary Jasper, Jane Thompson, Kingsley and Sandy Vaux, Chris, Zara and Jasper Vogel, Carsten Wagner-Richelmann, Karin, Quetschke, Jeff, Graham Barrett-Lennard, Keven Giles.

Apologies: Kay Lehman, Priscilla Broadbent, Alison Lullfitz, Merle Bennett, Vicky Bilney, Ric Pepper, Gil Craig, Kay Lehman, David Winstanley, Andy Chapman, Louise Lodge, Liz Utting, Vicky Bilney, Peter Dawson, Christine Soulier, Neil Gibson, Anne Gadsby, the "Italians" Sandro and Erika Pignatti, Kerryn Dodd, Cathy Taylor

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous AGM, 13th March 2021.

MOTION: The Minutes of AGM 13th March 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Ron Richards/Kate Brown CARRIED

4. Business Arising out of Minutes- Nil

5. Receipt and Adoption of Financial Statement and Treasurer's Report

Financial Report was presented by Sheryn Prior

MOTION: Financial Report be accepted as true and accurate record.

Sheryn Prior/Libby Sandiford CARRIED

6. **President's Annual Report-** Liz Utting's report was emailed to all members and accepted as read (see attachment)

7. **Twertup Field Studies Centre Report-** Friends' events were all cancelled due to wet conditions in Park. TFSC bookings showed 4 groups had stayed.

8. **FRNP Ranger's Report-** Vanessa Lipianin, Senior Operations Manager, attended at end of meeting and reported:

- Currently only 2 Rangers working in Park. 3 new Rangers coming. Albany crew assisting on weekends and Esperance crew assisting on weekdays.
- 7/8 Variable message boards installed, 1 left for Bremer. 4-mile campground kitchen completed. Mylies' bridge completed.
- Gravel roads in Park are a problem, rough and corrugated. They were graded recently when fires occurred but it was dry. Need rain before can grade roads properly.
- DBCA staff are willing to assist with Friends activities.

9. Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members for 2022

Ron Richards, as returning Officer, declared all positions vacant and called for nominations for Positions on committee.

OFFICE	NOMINATED	NOMINATED BY	SECONDED BY	ELECT ED
Comm. Member	Liz Utting	Ron Richards	Kate Brown	YES
Comm. Member	Alison Lullfitz	Ron Richards	Kate Brown	YES
Secretary	Delys Harland	Libby Sandiford	Sandy Vaux	YES
Treasurer	Sheryn Prior	Libby Sandiford	Rosemary Jasper	YES
Newsletter Editor	Vicky Bilney	Delys Harland	Helen Taylor	YES
Comm. Member	Jennifer Dunn	Delys Harland	Kate Brown	YES
Comm. Members	Gil Craig	Delys Harland	Kingsley Vaux	YES
Comm. Members	Kate Brown	Rosemary Jasper	Libby Sandiford	YES
Twertup Rep				
Twertup Works	Greg Harland	Delys Harland	Kate Brown	YES
Twertup Works	Neil Gibson	Kate Brown	Delys Harland	YES
Twertup Works DBCA Rep	Vanessa Lipianin			

10. Appointment of Auditor

Motion: FFRNP being a Tier 1 Association that an auditor is not required.

Ron Richards/Kingsley Vaux CARRIED

11. Appointment of Public Officer to deal with ATO and lodge BAS

Motion: Sheryn Prior be appointed as the Public Officer.

Delys Harland/Ron Richards CARRIED

12. A) Membership Rates

Motion: The membership fees to remain at zero.

Ron Richards/Sheryn Prior CARRIED

B) Insurance, CCWA and EDO

Motion: Treasurer to obtain insurance quotes to which Committee decide to obtain.

Delys Harland/Libby Sandiford.....CARRIED

Motion: To renew membership of CCWA and EDO

Delys Harland/Libby Sandiford CARRIED

13. Appointment of Delegate and Proxy for Conservation Council of WA

Motion: The following members be appointed as Delegate: Ron Richards; Proxy: Anne Gadsby.

Delys Harland/ Sheryn Prior CARRIED

MEETING CLOSED: 13:45

FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK

ABN 84 383 247 026

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

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Committee's Report

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Your committee members submit the financial report of Friends of the Fitzgerald River National Park for year ended 31 December 2021.

Committee members

The names of the committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Liz Utting - President
Alison Lullfitz - Vice President
Delys Harland - Secretary
Sheryn Prior - Treasurer
Vicky Bilney - newsletter editor
Gillian Craig
Jack Guthrie
Kate Brown
Anne Gadsby - Twertup Rep

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating result

The profit of the Association for the financial year after adjusting for unexpended grant funds carried forward was \$1,349.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Committee:



Sheryn Prior [Treasurer]

Dated: 14th February 2022

FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK
BALANCE SHEET
For the year ending 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank - Westpac Savings	\$31,367	\$31,364
Bank - Westpac Deposit Acc	\$814	\$918
Bank - Westpac Cheque	\$9,775	\$5,220
Accounts Receivable	\$0	\$2,916
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>\$41,956</u>	<u>\$40,418</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$383	\$194
Unexpended Grants/Donations	\$6,714	\$6,714
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>\$7,097</u>	<u>\$6,908</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>\$34,859</u>	<u>\$33,510</u>

FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
For the year ending 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
INCOMES		
Sundry Incomes	\$204	\$936
Sales	\$4,205	\$3,046
Donations	\$900	\$2,623
Grants	\$0	\$5,832
	<u>\$5,309</u>	<u>\$12,437</u>
EXPENSES		
Sundry Expenditure	\$1,034	\$1,097
Cost of Goods Sold	\$2,505	\$0
Insurances	\$422	\$422
Project Expenditure	\$0	\$5,541
	<u>\$3,960</u>	<u>\$7,060</u>
NET INCOME	<u>\$1,349</u>	<u>\$5,377</u>

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with notations attached.

**FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK
UNEXPENDED GRANT FUNDS
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

Culham Inlet Study	\$1,347
Numbat Monitoring	\$293
Twertup Donations	<u>\$5,074</u>
Total Unexpended Grant Funds	<u>\$6,714</u>

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**FRIENDS OF THE FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK
NOTATIONS TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For 1 January to 31 December 2021, cash basis**

Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

The committee have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the company is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. The financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the needs of members.

The following Australian accounting standards have been applied:

- AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements

- AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 1031 Materiality
- AASB 1048 Interpretation and Application of Standards
- AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed, which the committee have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

President's Report – AGM 2022

Liz Utting

2021 was an interesting year. It seemed that the weather was determined to block all our plans. On the positive side after a season of higher rainfall than the last few years, the Park was looking fantastic by Spring.

We had organised a weekend event in support of National Science Week, with many great activities planned. Unfortunately August's rainfall had other plans. The event was postponed until October, then eventually cancelled when Park roads were once again closed due to wet weather. Fingers crossed we can organise a similar event with fewer weather issues this year!

Plans to extend our Wildflower Discovery Sessions to schools on the Eastern side of the Park were dampened by a lack of response from the schools, and the committee eventually resolved to let this go and continue to sell the remainder of the Wildflower Faces Colouring Books, which have proven very popular. On the subject of merchandise, Ron and Sue Wooller have very generously donated more Honeypossum books for Friends of the Fitz to sell. Thank you!

Thankfully the rain held off during the Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show, and Gil Craig was able to lead her walk "Understanding Plant Recovery" under the Friends' banner. Delys had taken on designing and ordering FFRNP teatowels with artwork by Julie Outram, which sold very well at the Show and throughout the year. Julie is also supporting us by looking after our Facebook page, which is very much appreciated!

In November the Committee was faced with the difficult decision of choosing a student to award our Scholarship to. We had 3 very worthy and interesting projects to consider, but after lengthy discussion decided to award the Scholarship to Tasmin Lancaster of Notre Dame for her honours research on Hakea victoria, which will be of particular interest to the Friends. We look forward to hearing more about her research as it unfolds.

We welcomed 8 new members this year, bringing us to a total of 165.

2022 is shaping up to present it's own set of challenges for events. Hopefully we will be able to organise some outdoor events to help our members maintain a connection to the Park and nature. Now that the rebuild of the Twertup Field Studies Centre is complete, it is time to revisit the Twertup MOU with DBCA, which will be an interesting project. I'd like to thank all our Committee members for your dedication and effort this year. If anyone in our membership would like to step up and join the committee, or if you're interested in organising or leading walks and events, let us know – many hands make light work!