# MINUTES OF THE 117<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDS SA

held on 29 April 2016 at the

CHARLES HAWKER CONFERENCE CENTRE, WAITE ROAD, URRBRAE

#### **OPENING**

David Paton (President) opened the 117<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Birds SA at 9:05pm.

#### **APOLOGIES**

Kate Buckley, Jody Gates, John Hatch, Karen and Lynton Huxley, Cynthia Pyle, Dan Rogers

#### **MINUTES**

John Gitsham moved that "The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24 April 2015 as posted on the website and on the noticeboard be accepted. Seconded by Merilyn Browne. Carried.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

David Paton said that during the past year:

- The website has been modernized.
- We have maintained a strong conservation lobbying role.
- We are engaged with the Adelaide International Bird Sanctuary.
- Birds SA depends on many volunteers and he thanked everyone who has contributed their time and efforts for the well-being of the Association but some carry heavy loads with aplomb – Brian Walker as Treasurer, Brian Blaylock as Secretary, and the Huxleys for field trips and suppers.
- Two members, William Brooker and John Spiers are retiring from the Committee that I wish to especially thank but will continue on the Conservation Sub-committee.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Brian Walker gave a summary of the financial report.

Andrew Black moved that "The Financial Report for the year ending 31 December 2015 be accepted". Seconded by Sue Winwood. Carried

#### **ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE**

David Paton declared all positions vacant and said that he would remain in the chair for the election of officers. He said that nominations for the Committee have been received as follows:

President - David Paton

Vice-Presidents - Dan Rogers, John Gitsham

Secretary Assistant Secretary Treasurer Journal Editor Newsletter Editor Secretary Brian Blaylock
Kate Buckley
Brian Walker
Merilyn Browne
Cynthia Pyle

Bird Record Secretary - Graham Carpenter
Field Program Co-ordinator - Lynton Huxley
Membership Officer - Simon Brealey

Ordinary Members - Jody Gates, John Hatch, Charles Moore, John Fennell

As there were no further nominations David Paton formerly announced all those people elected to the Management Committee for the next year.

### APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Rod Tetlow has agreed to continue as Auditor.

## PRESENTATION OF LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATES

Long Service Certificates for members were read out and presented to members present as follows:

Bronze Certificate (25 years +) - Marie Anderson, Andy Anderson, Neil Cheshire, Trevor Cowie, Hazel Cowie, Dr Andrew Fisher, Harold Handley, Mary Handley, Stuart Hull, Joy E Pullman, Tony Russell, Margaret Tiller

Silver Certificate (30 years +) - Peter Killmier, Jean Killmier, Daphne Longden, Denzel Murfet, Vicki Natt

Gold Certificate (35 years +) - Rosemary Attwood, Chris Evans, D A Pfeiffer, Donald Reid, Donna Reid, Paul W Taylor

Platinum Certificate (40 years +) – Ian Harding, Fay Harding, Neville Hudson

## CLOSE

David Paton closed the meeting at 9:18pm	David	Paton	closed	the	meeting	at	9:18r	om
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