

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDS SA

held on 28 April 2017 at the

CHARLES HAWKER CONFERENCE CENTRE, WAITE ROAD, URRBRAE

OPENING

David Paton (President) opened the general meeting of Birds SA at 7:47 pm and welcomed everyone to this General Meeting and Annual General Meeting.

APOLOGIES

Barbara & Peter Bansemer, Delwyn & Neville Clark, Anna Cox, Helen & Terry Dennis, Robert Dettman, Jan & Trevor Lines, Merinda Hyland, Claudia & Rob Mousley, Barbara Wheaton, David Williams

MINUTES

Merilyn Browne moved that the "Minutes of the General Meeting held on 31 March 2017 as posted on the website be accepted". Seconded by David Robertson. Carried.

NEW MEMBERS

Emma Rowe (Woodside)
Andreas Alexandrou (West Beach)
Sonia Kleindorfer (Bedford Park)

SPEAKER

John Hatch introduced the speaker for the evening Arkellah Irving (Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources) who for the last four years has been a Co-ordinator for the Adelaide International Bird Sanctuary. Arkellah provided members with the work she has been doing on the AIBS. Her main role has been the getting together of a wide range of people and organizations to work collectively in coming up with a management plan for the area. This has brought about the formation of "The Collective" which includes representatives from government departments, local councils, aboriginals, conservation groups, landholders and primary produces. "The Collective" has been meeting regularly for the past eighteen months and no member receives payment.

BIRD CALL

Graham Carpenter reported that there were a lot of Fork-tailed Swift sightings on 7 April.

Eastern Spinebill – Black Forest

Wedge-tailed Eagle - Thorndon Park Reservoir, Marino, Modbury

Nankeen Night Heron – Glenelg Pier

Freckled Duck, Pink-eared Duck, Hardhead – Magazine Road Wetlands

Pink-eared Duck, Freckled Duck, Hardhead, Australasian Shoveler, Curlew Sandpiper, Red-necked Stint, Sharp-tailed Sandpiper, Little Curlew - Tolderol

John Gitsham said that the next bird survey at Tolderol would be this coming Tuesday at 8 am.

FIELD TRIPS

Lynton Huxley details of all the excursions are on the notice board.

Brian Blaylock will lead the trip to "Wyndgate" (Lawari C.P.) next Sunday starting at 8.30 am.

The Easter Campout at Mt Scott C.P. was very successful with 34 members attending and five locals over the weekend. An article should appear in the local Kingston Times in the next week or two.

Lynton Huxley asked for volunteers to do the supper at the May General Meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Friends of Adelaide International Bird Sanctuary – Anna Woods said that the next working bee would be at Port Prime. Add your name to the Contact List and Membership is only \$10.00. Profits from the sale of the bags goes to the group.

Glenthorne Farm – Allan Burns provided members with an update on what has been happening. The University of Adelaide has been very silent about the proposed developments for the farm. A petition will start next week to have the farm made into a park. The City of Marion supports this proposal.

John Gitsham announced that BirdLife Australia’s Beach-nesting Birds Conference would be held at Willunga on 25-26 May. Grainne Maguire (BirdLife Australia) is looking for members to lead trips during the conference.

CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

David Paton closed the meeting at 9:20 pm. The next meeting will be on 28 April 2017. A "Fledglings Workshop" will be held prior to the General Meeting starting at 7 pm.

Signed..... Date.....

