**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Friday 12 April 2022 at 6.00pm**

**Buchan Hall**

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome
2. Acknowledgment of Country
3. Present: Kate Hodge, Kirstie Pearce, Suzanne Davies, Margy McCole, Donald and Bronwyn Graeme, Susan Freeman, Stuart McConnell (EGSC) Deborah Woodburn, Denise and Jack Free, Graham Henstridge, Stephanie Franks, Gina Cantarella, David Bloom, Melva Woodgate, Nam and Rohan Flower, Tara Conway, Susie Edwards, Cassie Mathers, Amba Rhird, Laura O’Neill, Suzannah Dalley, Juliann Mraz, Paul Pearce, Brad Cross, GE Davis and Sophie Sandy.
4. Apologies: Anne Brewer, Donna Mraz, Russell Hodge and Daryl Edwards
5. Minutes of previous annual General Meeting held 2 April 2023

Minutes circulated:

**Moved**: Kirsty Pearce **Seconded:** Suzanne Davies

1. Reports
	1. President’s Report
* Kate Hodge, President read her report (attached)

**Motion:** President’s Report received.

**Moved:** Katie Hodge **Seconded:** Denise Free

* 1. Treasurers Report

**Motion:** Treasurer’s Report received.

**Moved:** Kirsty Pearce **Seconded:** Susan Freeman

* 1. Confirm the members of the Committee

Initially 11 members currently 6 members – 5 vacancies

1. Declare all positions on the Committee vacant:

President – Kate Hodge

Vice President – Donald Graham

Secretary – Susan Freeman

Treasurer – Kirsty Pearce

Committee Members:

Margie McCole

Suzanne Davies

Chris Cooper, Donna Mraz and Anne Brewer have all resigned from the Committee this year, they have been on the Committee since the beginning. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your contribution..

Call for Nominations:

1. Election of Office Bearers

President

Nominated by: Susan Freeman Seconded by: Kirsty Pearce

Carried: Unanimously

Vice President

Nominated by: Kate Hodge Seconded by: Susan Freeman

Carried: Unanimously

Secretary

Nominated by: Susan Freeman Seconded by: Kate Hodge

Carried Unanimously:

Treasurer

Nominated by: Kirsty Pearce Seconded by: Suzanne Davies

Carried Unanimously.

Committee Members:

* Suzanne Davies to continue on committee
* Margy McCole to continue on committee
* Currently have 5 vacant positions

President called for any nominations for the Committee:

Rohan Flower and Stephanie Franks nominated – accepted.

All nominations carried unanimously.

1. Special Resolution – Change to Association Rules

8.1 Proxies

 We have received 4 proxy votes

* Election of ordinary Members
* *Clause 53 election of ordinary members*
	+ *The annual general meeting must by resolution decide the number of ordinary members of the Committee (if any) it wishes to hold office for the next year.*
		- The current number of Committee Members is 11

**MOTION:** Reduce the number of committee members to 9.

**MOVED: SECONDED: CARRIED:**

*Given the nomination of two new members, the Committee have agreed to abort this change to the rules.*

* Clause 16 Ceasing membership
1. *The membership of a person ceases on resignation, expulsion, or death or otherwise annually 31 December.*

**MOTION:** *Remove the words “otherwise annually 31 December.”*

**MOVED:** Susan Freeman **SECONDED:** SuzanneDavies **CARRIED:** Unanimously

* Clause 17 Resigning as a member

*(2) A member is taken to have resigned if –*

*(a) the member’s annual subscription is more than 12 months in arrears; or*

*(b) where no annual subscription is payable.*

**MOTION:** This clause is not applicable to BG&DRA as the Association has no subscription fee.

**MOVED:** SusanFreeman **SECONDED:** Kirsty Pearce **CARRIED:** Unanimously

* Clause 63 Quorum part (2)

*(2) The quorum for a committee meeting is the presence (in person or as allowed under rule 62) of a majority of the committee members holding office.*

**MOTION:** The quorum for a committee meeting is the presence (in person or as allowed under rule 62) of one more than half of the current committee membership including 2 office bearers AND no less than 4 committee members.

 **MOVED:** KirstyPearce **SECONDED:** Tara Conway **CARRIED:** Unanimously

1. Open Committee Seats – declare positions vacant 2 vacant position - vacancies filled at item 7.
2. Date of AGM 2025 – TBA

Susie Edwards spoke about the demand on our volunteers and the number of incorporated associations and groups that we have. East Gippsland Shire have provided funding for Non Profit Training to run a workshop on Collaborative Partnerships. The idea is for some of the Associations to come together under one banner therefore reducing the workload and costs for running these Associations. Workshop is this Wednesday 17 April at the Buchan Rec Reserve 6.30-8.30pm.

1. Meeting Closed 6.40pm.