

NINETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDLIFE TOWNSVILLE MINUTES

SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2020

Meeting Opened: 2.00 pm

Attendance: As per the Register

Apologies: Norm Rains, Chris Ezzy, Len Ezzy, Jill Staunton

- Welcome:** The President of BirdLife Townsville, Janet Robino, declared the AGM meeting open and welcomed all members.
- Minutes:** **Moved:** Annette Sutton **Seconded:** Rosemary Payet
"That the AGM Minutes of Saturday 9 March 2019 (as circulated to all members) are a true and correct record." **Endorsed**
- Business Arising from Minutes:** Nil
- Correspondence: Outward:** Birdlife Townsville re: 2019 AGM Minutes, 2020 AGM Agenda, AGM Nominations, Presidents Report, Treasurers Report and AGM Notifications as required by the Branch Rules (circulated to all members)
Inwards: Completed Nomination Forms for: President, Secretary, Treasurer and six Committee Members

Moved: Paul Thompson **Seconded:** Elna Kerswell
"That the Inward Correspondence be received and the Outward Correspondence adopted"
Endorsed
- Reports:** President: Janet Robino --- as circulated to all members
Treasurer: Nina Doyle --- as circulated to all members

Moved: Chris Corbett **Seconded:** Bronwyn Horvath
"That the President's Report and the Treasurer's Financial Report as circulated to all members be received." **Endorsed**
- Election of Office Bearers and Committee:** The President Janet Robino declared all positions vacant, suspended Standing Orders and asked the Returning Officer, to conduct the election for the Office Bearers and Committee Members

The Returning Officer advised one nomination for the following positions was received in accordance with the Rules and declared:

President:	Janet Robino	duly elected.
Secretary:	Wal Threlfall	duly elected
Treasurer:	Nina Doyle	duly elected.
Committee Members (6 required):	Jill Staunton; Mark Horvath; Janet Cross; Annette Sibson; Julie Goldsbury; Peter Staunton	duly elected

Standing Orders were resumed and the President further advised that the following members had agreed to undertake the following duties:

Newsletter Coordinator:	Annette Sutton
Refreshment Coordinators:	Beth Snewin and Wendy Kaus

7. **Financial Accounts Signatories: Moved:** Cecily Messer **Seconded:** Trish Jordan
"That the President Janet Robino, Secretary Wal Threlfall and Treasurer Nina Doyle of Birdlife Townsville and the Birdlife Australia Head of Finance Andrea Pym (or his/her successor), be the sole signatories to all Birdlife Townsville Financial Accounts".

Endorsed

8. The President thanked the outgoing 2019 Branch Committee for their tireless work on behalf of Birdlife Townsville and welcomed the new Committee and thanked those Members who volunteer to take on certain tasks e.g. Refreshments; News Letter; Leaders; and all the other various Branch activities. Further the President advised the attending members that Birdlife Townsville can only continue as a viable and active Branch if members are prepared to step forward and volunteer not only for the Committee but for various Branch activities.

9. **Any Other Business:** a) "The Quest" 2019 Draw and Presentation -- Winner: Ian Leach with 309 bird species

10. **2021 AGM:** Date and venue to be advised in accordance with Branch Rules

11. **Meeting Closed:** 2.30pm

12. **Guest Speaker:** 1) Secretary Wal Threlfall re: Annual "Leaders and Participants" Induction Workshop included the following topics "Guidelines for Leading Groups on Outings" / "Birdlife Australia Insurance Policies" / "Occupational Health and Safety

2) Annette Sibson re: "Bird Trivia "

"Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Saturday 8 February 2020 are endorsed as a true and accurate record."

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(Chair)

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(Date)