



TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDLIFE TOWNSVILLE MINUTES

SATURDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2021

**Meeting Opened:** 2.00 pm

**Attendance:** As per the Register

**Apologies:** Nina Doyle, Chris Ezzy, Len Ezzy, Jill Staunton, Peter Staunton, Pat Charlton, Warren Charlton, Elna Kerswell, Beth Snewin

- Welcome:** The President of BirdLife Townsville, Janet Robino, declared the AGM meeting open and welcomed all members.
- Minutes:** **Moved:** Annette Sutton **Seconded:** Norm Rains  
"That the AGM Minutes of Saturday 8 February 2020 (as circulated to all members) are a true and correct record." **Endorsed**
- Business Arising from Minutes:** Nil
- Correspondence: Outward:** Birdlife Townsville re: 2020 AGM Minutes, 2021 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 three (3) Committee Members  
**Moved:** Janet Cross **Seconded:** Cecily Messer  
"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:** Barbara Reidy **Seconded:** Bronwyn Horvath  
"That the President's Report and the Treasurer's Financial Report as circulated to all members be received." **Endorsed**

6. **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):** Mark Horvath; Annette Sibson; Julie Goldsbury  
**duly elected**

The President called for nominations from the Meeting to fill the three (3) vacancies on the Committee

**Trish Jordan was duly Nominated by Annette Sutton and Seconded by Mark Horvath and declared duly elected**

There were no further nominations and the new Committee was tasked with the role of filling the two vacant Committee positions.

**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  
**Equipment Coordinator:** Mark Horvath  
**Photography Group Coordinator:** Mark Horvath

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 2020 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" 2020 Draw and Presentation:

**Quest Winner:** Paul Thompson with 320 bird species.

**Quest Draw Winner:** Elna Kerswell

10. **2022 AGM:** Date and venue to be advised in accordance with Branch Rules

11. **Meeting Closed:** 2.50pm

12. **Guest Speaker:** 1) Annette Sibson re: "Bird Trivia "

**"Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Saturday 13 February 2021 are endorsed as a true and accurate record."**

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(Chair)

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(Date)