

6. **Election of Office Bearers and Committee:** The President thanked the outgoing 2022 Branch Committee for their tireless work on behalf of Birdlife Townsville and thanked those Members who volunteer to take on certain tasks e.g. Refreshments; News Letter; Leaders; and all the other various Branch activities.

The President Janet Robino declared all positions vacant, suspended Standing Orders and asked the Returning Officer, to conduct the election for Office Bearers and Committee Members for 2023

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, Brigid Glass, Kathleen Vowles **duly elected**

The President called for nominations from the Meeting to fill the one (1) vacancy on the Committee

There was one nomination for the vacant Committee position: Warren Charlton

Moved: Anne Lawrance

Seconded: Annette Sibson

“That Warren Charlton is hereby nominated for the vacant Committee position.”

Endorsed and duly elected

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

Newsletter Editor: Annette Sutton

Refreshment Coordinators: Beth Snewin and Wendy Kaus

Equipment Coordinator: Mark Horvath

Photography Group Coordinator: Mark Horvath

Leaders: Janet Robino (Town Common Conservation Park), Mark Horvath (Ross River Dam & Wetlands), Wendy Kaus (Ross River Bush Garden), Norm Rains (Wongaloo Conservation Park), Wal Threlfall (Monthly Outings).

7. **Financial Accounts Signatories:** **Moved:** Annette Sibson **Seconded:** Trish Jordan
"That the President Janet Robino, Secretary Wal Threlfall and Treasurer Nina Doyle
of Birdlife Townsville, be the sole signatories to all Birdlife Townsville Financial Accounts".

Endorsed

8. The President Janet Robino 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" 2022 Draw and Presentation:

Quest Winner: Anne Lawrance with 366 bird species.

Quest Draw Winner: Ian Leach

10. **2024 AGM:** Date and venue to be advised in accordance with Branch Rules

11. **Meeting Closed:** 3:00pm

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

"Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Saturday 11 February 2023 are endorsed as a true and accurate record."

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(Chair)

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(Date)