



Northern United Forestry Group

Monthly Meeting. Raywood Golf Club, 8pm Wednesday 23 September 2009

1 Welcome and Apologies

President Ian Rankin declared the meeting open at 8:55pm.

Present: Phil Dyson, Ian Rankin, Rob Comer, Mal Brown, Darren Kerr, Andy Hay, Lindsay Cail, James Williams, Bill Gallagher, Eric Pascoe, Aldo Penbrook.

Apologies: Robyn McKay, Louise Wellard, Tim Johns, Anne Murphy, Keith Murphy, Darren Bain, Malory Weston, Shaun Quayle, John Toll.

Motion: "The apologies be accepted." Moved JW. Seconded BG. Carried.

2 Minutes of previous meeting held 26 August 2009

Motion: "The minutes of the meeting held at Raywood Hotel 26 August 2009, be accepted as a true and accurate record of what took place at the meeting." Moved MB. Seconded AH. Carried.

3 Business arising from previous minutes – nil.

4 Correspondence In

- ♦ Rowan Reid email re Application for Farm Ready Grant to run six Master Tree Grower courses, two Mentoring programs and a national workshop on farm forestry and climate change.
- ♦ Email from Sandra, Swinburne University, thanking NUFG for advice with application for PhD funding, and minor changes to contract involving Swinburne University, NUFG and Royal Botanic Gardens.
- ♦ Letter from Mal Brown regarding a call for nominations for the Loddon Plains Landcare Network Executive.

5 Correspondence Out

- ♦ None .

6 Reports

President's report – Successful Field Day held at Ronelle, Milloo Sunday 20 September. Meeting viewed video of the Treehugger in action.

Treasurer's report – Rob Comer reported on NUFG's income and expenditure as at 26 August 2009. Term deposit invested at 4.3% falls due 18 December.

Motion: "That the Treasurer's report at 26 August 2009 be approved and that accounts received be approved for payment." Moved RC. Seconded AH. Carried.

Social Secretary's Report – Apology.

Kamo/CC2 Report – Not tendered.

7 General Business

1. NUFG portable toilet can be hired out at \$40 plus \$4 GST. Ian to organise a permanent trailer for the toilet.
2. Fencing out remnants and planting of understorey to take place at Kamarooka Sunday 4 October.
3. James Williams and DPI have planted out 7,500 of Oil Mallees (different species trial) on 20 acres adjacent to the Drummartin school.

8 Meeting closed: 9:55pm.

Following the meeting MB gave an interesting presentation of his trip to Canada and an update of his plantation at Leichardt. This proved of interest to all attendees.

Next Meeting: Raywood Hotel, Wednesday 28 October 2009.