

PAWA NSW

General Meeting March 2009

Venue: Terramungarmine Reserve, Dubbo

Date: 21st March 2009

Meeting commenced 14:50 hrs

Acknowledgment of Country

Chair: I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Tubbagah People of the Wiradjuri Nation. I would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present and extend that respect to all Tubbagah people and recognise the strength, resilience and capacity of Aboriginal people in this land.

Attendees: David Brill, Andy McQuie, Dave Burns, Steve Woodhall, Tim Lanyon, Bart Schiebaan, Adam Bryce, Chris Pavich, Michele Cooper, Tegan Burton

Apologies: Helen Jessop, Chris Keyzer, Cathy Mardell, Wendy Noble, Duncan Scott-Lawson, Mel Hall, Jen Kingston, Owen Earl

1. Minutes of previous meeting, AGM held 7th August 2008

Motion by SW that minutes be adopted, seconded by DB, carried.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

#	Action	Who	Status	Comments
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08-2	Approach Rob Pallin informally to gauge interest. If interested, draft letter to formally approach prospective patron.	CK DB TB	Completed	Invitation to be patron sent to another individual.
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08-10	Investigate how other state associations address insurance issue. Obtain additional quotes.	SW	Ongoing	
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08-23	Co-ordinate preparations for WRD 2009 event.	DSL	Ongoing	See Vice-Chair's report from DSL.
08-24	Advise Wendy of PAWA endorsement of the Jamaica	TB	Completed	

	project.			
08-25	Finalise draft project assessment guidelines and post on Committee Google Group for consideration.	DSL	Ongoing	Committee to comment on draft. See Vice-Chair's report from DSL.
08-26	Make CARA Deed of Agreement available to members.	DB	Completed	Available on PAWA website.
08-27	Initiate discussion with CARA re supporting Asia-Pacific delegates to the next IRF Congress.	DSL	Ongoing	
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08-29	Verbally flag the potential for DECC sponsorship of an East Timorese delegate to the next IRF Congress with Bob Conroy.	TR	Ongoing	TR to provide update.
08-30	Discuss above with International Programs Unit.	DSL	Ongoing	
08-31	Investigate contacts in East Timor.	JM	Completed	Information passed on to Committee.
08-32	Draft a letter inviting Bob Carr to be the patron of PAWA, to be sent to the committee for consideration.	DB	Completed	Bob Carr accepted invitation to be patron of PAWA.
08-33	Design sticker and obtain costings, and investigate costings for additional merchandise options if willing.	DT	Completed	PAWA sticker provided to each member, additional copies available for purchase.
08-34	Every member to get 5 new members by the end of 2008.	ALL	Completed	Timeframe passed. Some new members recruited.

3. Chair's Report: Dave Burns

Since the last meeting the Committee has met via Skype, however a deteriorating connection eventually called a halt to the meeting. Other effective communication options need to be investigated. The website is being continually updated. Bob Carr has accepted the invitation to be the patron of PAWA. PAWA needs to send a response to his acceptance.

Action: DB to draft a response to Bob Carr's acceptance as Patron and invite comment from committee. Response will include a copy of recent meeting minutes.

4. Vice-chair's Report: Duncan Scott-Lawson

International Rangers Exchange:

Have worked through the PWG policy group with Peter Clarke (A/M Port Macquarie) and developed a comprehensive briefing to be put to DECC executives. We are currently awaiting the name of a 'sponsor' (snr executive) to allow the policy to be tabled at the next executive committee meeting.

The briefing indicates that we wish to undertake a pilot exchange to reform and improve the current policy (developed by Carl Hollis and Lynda Bartrim in 2001). Should we not be successful, the policy is handed back to the policy group for refinement.

At present all indications are that the executive will pass the policy, for implementation in 2010....let's all keep hoping.

The Model is for the department to establish MoU's with other conservation/park management agencies. Once another agency is willing to exchange, an EOI will go out which will require AM and RM signature. A selection panel (through the international programs unit of DECC) will be developed to identify the best candidate. This model gives the department control over the process, which historically has been found to be the problem in ensuring that the candidates are happy with a successful exchange.

We have added into the policy enough flexibility for exchanges to occur with agencies where no MoU exists, but clear conservation or agency outcomes can be identified. This will allow individuals to semi arrange an exchange and then approach their own agency.

Draft Project Assessment guidelines:

Have developed some points for consideration and placed on committee Google group. In consideration of Tegan's comments I think there is a need for two documents....One for an application to PAWA... and another for guidelines for the committee to assess against. This is ongoing, with more feedback we will be able to finalise.

Draft Sponsorship guidelines:

Have contacted Queensland and Victoria ranger federations and received what they have done. Have also done an internet search for Sponsorship guidelines of other non-profit organisations. This is far as I have got...but will do soonish....after I finish the above.

Brazilian Jenolan Visit:

Jenolan Caves were approached concerning visit... maybe we need to send them a letter of thanks, and explain why this has fallen through.

5. Treasurer's Report: Steve Woodhall

PAWA has several projects all going into a single account, with each one being tracked separately. For example Equip the Amazon, PAWA Tshirts, Thin Green Line DVD's (with funds going to the IRF Dependency Fund).

Protected Area Workers Association NSW	
Treasurer's Report 20 March 2009	
Assets/incomings since 5 August 2008	
Bank Balance as at 5 August 2008	\$3,953.94
Subscriptions*	\$1,843.50
Interest	\$0.00
T shirt sales	\$545.00
Equip the Amazon Project	\$890.85
Other deposits**	\$1,341.80
Thin Green Line dvd sales	\$50.00
Total	\$8,625.09
Outgoings	
Fair Trading - annual reporting and constitutional changes	\$111.00
Duncan Scott Lawson WRD expenses	\$317.70
Rangers Dependence Fund	\$660.00
Rhino Promotions (stickers)	\$401.50

Tegan Burton reimbursement of expenses	\$215.76
Total	\$1,705.96
Liabilities/commit's/unpres'd cheques	
Thin Green Line dvd sales	\$50.00
Total	\$50.00
Balances	
Assets***	\$8,625.09
Liabilities	\$1,755.96
Balance as at 20 March 2009	\$6,869.13
* Meg Lorang deposited \$51.50 for her subscription	
** WRD, AGM Receipts and \$50 from Michele Cooper reason unknown	
*** Does not account for value of stock on hand (T shirts/chocolates)	
<i>Bank Balance as at 20 March 2009 = \$5,220.43</i>	
Fund Summary as at 20 March 2009	
Total cash on hand (less commitments)	\$5,170.43
Equip the Amazon	\$1,895.58
Funds available	\$3,274.85
Membership as a 20 March 2009	
Ordinary	61
Supporting	2
NB: 12 members have not renewed this current year	

6. Secretary's Report: Tegan Burton

Membership continues to be managed by the Treasurer – thank you – 61 ordinary members, 2 supporting members, approx 12 additional members not financially current.

Correspondence:

Date	In/out	Name	Issue
13/08/2008	Out	broadcast	request for TGL report
13/08/2008	Out	Wendy & Mel	Congrats re committee membership
19/08/2008	Out	broadcast	post AGM update
24/08/2008	Out	Paul - IRF rep	Info for TGL report
2/09/2008	Out	Bob Carr	invitation for Patron of PAWA
13/09/2008	Out	Sean TGLF	WRD fundraising cheque
	In	Bob Carr	Acceptance to be Patron
	Out	broadcast	AGM 2008 minutes
15/10/2008	Out	broadcast	PAWA Press #4
21/10/2008	Out	broadcast	Thin Green Line
26/10/2008	Out	IRF IEC	concerns re WRC 09 fees
28/10/2008	Out	broadcast	request for PAWA Press info
29/11/2008	Out	broadcast	PAWA merchandise page
8/12/2008	Out	members	PAWA sticker
9/12/2008	Out	broadcast	PAWA Press #5
10/12/2008	Out	broadcast	PAWA Press #5 recall
11/12/2008	Out	broadcast	PAWA Press #5 Members Only edition
16/12/2008	Out	Marcelo Segalerba	invitation to visit NSW & NT
16/12/2008	Out	Juventino Kaxuyana	invitation to visit NSW & NT
19/12/2008	Out	Paul - IRF rep	Info for TGL report

6/01/2009	Out	broadcast	request for WRD support
13/01/2009	Out	broadcast	request for TGL report
20/01/2009	Out	broadcast	Guardaparque
20/01/2009	Out	broadcast	VI WRC registrations open
12/02/2009	Out	VRA	support during fires
12/02/2009	In	VRA	thanks for support
12/02/2009	Out	broadcast	invitation to GM March
2/03/2009	In	VRA / CARA	fires, CARA
2/03/2009	Out	broadcast	Fwd re fires, CARA
13/03/2009	In	VRA / CARA	agency sponsorship for VI WRC
14/03/2009	Out	broadcast	Thin Green Line
14/03/2009	Out	broadcast	invitation to GM March

7. Extension Officer's Report: Michele Cooper

A black & white brochure has been prepared and is available from the website. We really need to focus on getting new members. Given how the budget is looking, it would be good to do some advertising. Michele will prepare a project proposal to present to the committee. Steve asked what kinds of things might come up in terms of advertising costs. Michele replied that for example we may need to pay to have information included in the NPA magazine. Any ideas for newsletters or places to advertise should be forwarded to Michele Cooper. Eg NPA magazine, Bushwalker, Colong Foundation, Bush Telegraph (Forests NSW).

There is a great opportunity for recruitment targeting students / universities. A poster would be a useful tool for promotion / recruitment. Aims and objectives are as described in the constitution (available on website). Should also re-iterate the definition of a 'protected area worker', and members benefits eg networking and support, opportunity for members to generate ideas for projects.

A frequent or expected question from prospective members is 'what do I get out of it'? Do we need to promote the 'benefits' more? A key message to date has been 'what you make it'. Eg Wendy Noble saw an opportunity to provide assistance to colleagues in Jamaica – through PAWA she was able to make that happen.

Tim asked about the potential for getting a 10% discount at Paddy Pallin for members, as another incentive to join.

Tim identified that the vocational perspective is a strength of PAWA eg opportunities to foster mentoring, drive training. There is also a strength as a professional association to respond to matters eg letters in the paper on issues were DECC chooses or has to sit back, and the development of policy / position statements.

It was acknowledged that we will be in a better position to do this when we have a greater diversity of members and also when membership numbers have reached the necessary critical mass to spread the work load more. A good strategy would be to start broadening the membership base now, using the contacts we all have already within the industry.

Examples of sources of relevant contacts include the Lands Trust, Friends of the Colo, linking into other networks or associations such as ecological consultants, AABR, Green Drinks. Tim has links with Interpretations Australia Association (IAA) and sees this as a

good opportunity to cross-fertilise and Tim offered to follow-up on links with IAA. Another opportunity could be the National Tracks and Trails Conference that will be held in NSW in 2010, at this stage at Blackheath. The event is usually organised by the Qld Outdoor Recreation Federation. Could PAWA have a stand or similar at the conference?

PAWA Press # 5 was distributed. There were some issues with the original content being made publicly / internationally available and so it was recalled and then re-issued as a members only edition. We are planning to do an international edition focussing on the Amazon, with one version in English and another in Portuguese. The deadline for submissions for PAWA Press #6 is 30th April (revised to 20th June). It would also be great to have something from our new patron Bob Carr for the newsletter.

Action: Any members with suggestions for newsletters or places where PAWA could be advertised should forward them to Michele Cooper.

Action: All members to encourage membership from a wider base within the industry.

Action: TL to pursue opportunities for links between PAWA and IAA.

Action: TL to pursue opportunities for a PAWA stand at the 2010 National Tracks and Trails Conference.

Action: All members to consider submitting material for the next edition of PAWA Press.

Action: DB to include a request for some text for the next newsletter in the response letter to Bob Carr.

8. Equip the Amazon: Tegan Burton

In terms of a report on the trip to Macapa in September 2008, see the latest edition of PAWA Press (#5 Members Edition). Everything is in there.

The majority of effort since the trip has been focussed on preparing for the proposed three week visit to NSW & NT by Marcelo Segalerba and Juventino Kaxuyana. Unfortunately the trip has just been cancelled due to reasons beyond our control. Thank you to all the members who were willing and indeed enthusiastic about being included in the itinerary. It is hoped that some such visit will still happen in the future. Picking up from the comment in the Vice-chair's report (see 4. above), PAWA should write to the Jenolan Caves Trust explaining that the visit will no longer be occurring and thanking them for their support.

Motion by SW that PAWA sends letter of thanks and update to Jenolan Caves Trust.
Seconded by TB, carried.

The next steps:

As mentioned above, the intention is to do an 'international edition' of PAWA Press #5, focussing on the Amazon, with editions in both English and Portuguese.

Tegan has received an informal invitation to give a presentation to the local Rotary club about the project. Preparations for this will result in a powerpoint show which could then be used by any member given an opportunity to make a similar presentation. The objectives of these presentations are to raise awareness of the situation for our colleagues in north-eastern Brazil and to foster support for the project.

Tegan is also working with our partner organisations to identify potential sources of funding and apply jointly for grants. The international nature of the project precludes it from

the types of funding bodies more commonly accessed in NSW and federally. If anyone is aware of programs that may offer some potential, please pass the details on to Tegan.

The project is as always seeking donations of equipment or funding that can be used for the purchase of essential equipment. HF radios have been specifically identified as a high priority need for the indigenous rangers and communities in Tumucumaque. Tegan is seeking assistance to source suitable radios for donation.

Additional ways that people can support the project:

- seek or provide donations of equipment or funds
- encourage others to join PAWA – simply building the membership provides support to this and all our other projects
- for those going to the VI WRC – help transport equipment to Bolivia which will then go on to ACT Brasil and APITIKATXI in Macapa.

There is also an option for a small delegation from PAWA to visit Macapa following the VI WRC in Bolivia in November. Participation is open to any PAWA member attending the Congress.

Action: TB to draft letter to Jenolan Caves Trust.

Action: MC & TB to prepare PAWA Press #5 International Edition.

Action: TB to prepare powerpoint presentation on project for use by others.

Action: Any member with information about potential funding sources or potential sources of HF radios for donation should forward details to Tegan Burton.

Action: Any member with capacity / contacts to continue seeking or providing donations of equipment or funds.

Action: TB to invite members, via an email notice and the next newsletter, to participate in visit to Macapa in November 2009.

9. IRF VI World Ranger Congress Bolivia: David Burns & Tegan Burton

Message received via email from Andy Nixon of the Victorian Rangers Association with regards to Mark Stone, Chief Executive of Parks Victoria writing to each of the Australian and NZ park agency heads to seek contributions of sponsorship funding for delegates to the IRF VI World Ranger Congress in Bolivia. Victoria, NSW and South Australian agencies have all agreed to contribute so far. Mark will then be passing the funds to the VRA for management of the sponsorship process.

It was acknowledged that this was an important initiative and that it was heartening to see that NSW will be contributing funds. PAWA should write to the head of Parks & Wildlife congratulating them for contributing to this initiative. The correspondence would also be a good opportunity to encourage the department to send 2 field-based delegates to the Congress, as they did with Scotland. PAWA should offer to provide information about the Congress and assist with selection if needed. Firstly it will be necessary to clarify the arrangements surrounding this initiative.

Motion by SW that PAWA sends a letter to head of NSW Parks & Wildlife to congratulate them on their contribution to Mark Stone's initiative. Letter to include encouragement to send Parks & Wildlife delegates to the Congress.

Seconded by DB, carried.

The question was also raised about whether PAWA was in a position to sponsor any delegates to the Congress. This was to be one of the elements of a combined sponsorship package which is still in development by Duncan Scott-Lawson and Tegan Burton. (The other primary element was support for Equip the Amazon.)

Previously, the group has given in principal agreement to sponsor one delegate from APITIKATXI. Other potential sponsorships were to include additional delegates from north-eastern Brazil and delegates from Timor Leste. Given PAWA's current financial resource base and the time remaining for Congress registrations (and therefore time available to attract additional funding), it may not be feasible to sponsor more than one delegate at this time. Tegan is able to liaise with ACT Brasil and APITIKATXI about the most effective means of utilising available funding to sponsor Congress participation.

Motion by SW that \$2000 be set aside from PAWA general funds to assist rangers from north-eastern Brazil to participate in the Congress, in accordance with our Agreements of Technical Cooperation.
Seconded by MC, carried.

Tegan provided an update on organisation of the Congress. A congress website is now active in both English and Spanish, although pages are still being uploaded and updated. The earlybird registration deadline of 31st March has now been extended to 15th April. Arrangements are being made for payments to be processed through PayPal. If anyone is having issues registering or making payments please contact Tegan as she is in frequent contact with the organisers. A call for volunteers has also been put out – information is in the latest edition of the Thin Green Line and also the Congress website.

Action: TB to clarify arrangements associated with Mark Stone's initiative.

Action: TB to draft letter for Chair signature to head of NSW Parks & Wildlife – include congratulations on contribution to Vic initiative and encouragement to support 2x field-based staff to participate in the Congress.

Action: TB to liaise with ACT Brasil and APITIKATXI with regards to the most effective means of utilising \$2000 for Congress participation.

10. World Ranger Day 2009: David Burns

An update on preparations was provided by written report from Duncan:

Having a little problem getting people to engage and be involved in the committee to continue to undertake WRD. As you are all aware, many people have family and social commitments and to fit in volunteer work can be difficult. I have arranged several dates for meetings; out of the 6 people in the Blue Mountains that said they would help, I can only get 2 to the meetings...hence keep on rescheduling the meeting.

I think it may be to late to organise a large event (but always possible for the future), so I was thinking along the lines of doing something similar to last year, concentrating on the South American issues. I know Neil Stone and Tegan have great presentation skills and we can approach each of them to do a slide show. If any of you know of anybody else that has recently travelled to South America and would be interested...please let me know.

If you are happy with this idea can you please provide a motion of support? I will then farm-out some of the jobs to the Blue Mountains locals that have identified that they are interested in assisting.

We will not be catering as much food (from memory it was close to \$300)... probably need a motion from PAWA to establish maximum limit for catering purposes (eg \$100 or \$150).

Motion by TB in support of Duncan's proposal to hold the WRD event in a similar format to 2008, with a South American theme.

Seconded by DB, carried.

Motion by SW that \$150 be allocated for catering.

Seconded by DB, carried.

Action: Duncan to coordinate WRD 2009 in similar format to 2008.

Action: Any members with suggestions for possible presenters to forward to Duncan.

11. Jamaica

Wendy Noble has previously advised that the uniforms have now been sent. Wendy to provide a more detailed update.

Action: Wendy to provide project update.

12. General Business

Council of Australian Ranger Associations: DB

Message received via email from Andy Nixon, Victorian Rangers Association and current Facilitator for CARA with regards to organising the annual CARA get-together. He identified potential agenda items and invited associations to identify additional items. He also asked associations to identify suitable dates, preferably around April.

It was agreed that PAWA supports holding a CARA meeting in Victoria over a Friday/Saturday in late April or early May 2009. The PAWA delegate to attend the meeting would ideally be Vice-chair Duncan Scott-Lawson.

Duncan identified the current agenda items for CARA as:

- Association updates
- 2009 IRF Congress inc. sponsorships
- future relations with Parks Forum
- Federal government's environment strategy
- ARF website
- 'Parks – major critical incidents' and how CARA can assist member associations.

Following the mention of Parks Forum, Michele identified that she could follow up potential links between or membership of this organisation.

Action: TB to advise Andy Nixon of PAWA support for a CARA meeting being held.

Action: DB to liaise with Duncan about a PAWA representative attending the meeting.

Action: MC to liaise with Parks Forum about opportunities for links with PAWA.

PWG State-wide Rangers Conference: DB

PAWA received an enquiry from Patrick Lupica, NPWS Ranger, to gauge PAWA interest in participating in an NPWS State-wide Ranger Conference.

The enquiry stimulated discussion about the appropriate level of involvement for PAWA in activities such as this and the issue of maintaining relevance for all our members. It was agreed that PAWA would be happy to and would in fact like to provide a display and have a presence during any such conference, using the opportunity to promote the association and showcase some of our projects such as Equip the Amazon. It was also agreed that PAWA should encourage agencies such as DECC to have regular gatherings of it's different professional groups, such as the proposed State-wide Ranger Conference.

Action: TB to provide response to Patrick Lupica.

Royal Commission into fires in Victoria: SW

A call for public comment / written submissions for this Royal Commission is expected soon and is likely to have a deadline of June 2009.

Motion by SW that PAWA prepare a submission to Royal Commission into fires in Victoria. Seconded by TB, carried.

Action: SW to prepare draft by 14th May and invite comment from members.

Upcoming events: TB

Email received from Glenn Meade asking about potential PAWA events in the near future.

Another fundraising event such as the 2008 Canoe Challenge at Bobbin Head could be a good option. Chris Pavich suggested Dunns Swamp as a venue, with the potential to include an overnight camp. PAWA/fundraising may need to cover the cost of canoe hire from locally operated company. PAWA will also need to have arrangements in place to deal with public liability issues.

It was agreed to hold an overnight fundraising canoe challenge at Dunns Swamp on 12-13 September 2009.

Action: Committee to work with Chris Pavich on preparations for 2009 Canoe Challenge.

13. Actions arising from this meeting

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09-3	Encourage membership from wider base within industry	All		
09-4	Pursue opportunities for links between PAWA and IAA	TL		
09-5	Pursue opportunities for PAWA stand at 2010 National Tracks and Trails Conference	TL		
09-6	Consider submitting material for next edition of PAWA Press	All		
09-7	Include request for text for newsletter in response to Bob Carr	DB		See Action 09-1.
09-8	Draft letter to Jenolan Caves Trust	TB		
09-9	Prepare PAWA Press #5 International Edition	MC & TB		
09-10	Provide information about potential funding sources or sources of HF radios	Any		
09-11	Seek or provide donations of equipment or funds	Any		
09-12	Invite members to visit Macapa, November 2009	TB		
09-13	Clarify arrangements associated with Mark Stone's initiative	TB		
09-14	Draft letter for Chair signature to head NSW Parks & Wildlife	TB & DB		
09-15	Liasie with ACT Brasil & APITIKATXI re \$2000 sponsorship	TB		
09-16	Coordinate WRD 2009	DSL		
09-17	Provide suggestions for potential presenters for WRD	Any		

09-18	Provide project update (Jamaica)	WN		
09-19	Advise Andy Nixon re PAWA support for CARA meeting	TB		
09-20	Liaise with DSL re PAWA representative for CARA meeting	DB		
09-21	Liaise with Parks Forum re opportunities for links with PAWA	MC		
09-22	Provide response to Patrick Lupica (State-wide Rangers Conference)	TB		
09-23	Prepare draft and invite comments (Royal Commission into Vic fires)	SW		Prepare draft by 14 th May.
09-24	Work with Chris Pavich to organise Canoe Challenge 2009	Any		All Committee to assist.

14. Next meeting – Annual General Meeting:

Sunday 13th September, immediately following Dunns Swamp Canoe Challenge.

Thank you to David Brill for sourcing and arranging the venue for the March 2009 meeting.

Meeting closed 18:00 hrs

Tegan Burton
Secretary PAWA.

1st June 2009