

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 12th January 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

AG	ENDA	FINAL MINUTES	
	Issue/Topic	Points of Discussion/Details (motions/decisions in italicised type)	Action required and Time Frame
	Welcome and	Meeting started 1730hrs.	
	Attendance	Attendance: Graham Wooller, Marion Massam, Nic Dunlop, Mark Henryon, Lorraine Marshall, Sandra Wallace, Kathryn Napier.	
		Apologies: Matthew Pudovskis, Frank O'Connor, Wayne Merritt.	
1	Declaration of Interest	-	
2	Confirmation of Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the December 2014 meeting be accepted.	
		Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
3	Business Arising - Action List	3.1 Member survey - Helen and Annette working with volunteers on pilot trial of 20 members; copy of telephone script and data stratification proposal developed by Helen attached.	3.1 Lorraine to respond to Annette indicating to go ahead with further surveys and to thank those
		It was decided to continue with the telephone surveys. The script and data stratification proposal were also approved.	volunteers who have done the surveys.
		3.2 Policy document on control of pest birds - Nic - to be done when Nic's field commitments slow down.	3.3 Lorraine to ask Annette to reminder all BirdLife committees to send a short paragraph-
		3.3 Exec Committee members for 2015 and AGM, including general meeting coordinator - to date nominations received from Frank (for treasurer), Nic, Sue Mather (cockatoo projects), Kathryn Napier	long annual report to her, so that Nic can write a report for the AGM.
		(secretary), Paul Netscher (new office volunteer), Mark Henryon, Sandra Wallace.	3.5 Sandra to follow up with Frank.
		3.4 Serventy House working group - Lotterywest grant approved - Graham. Balance of required funds for consultancy to come from the participating groups. Aim is to be in the position of applying for funds for	3.7 Marion to draft a letter with specific details for Nic to sign
		the building towards the end of the year. Accommodation arrangements will also need to be made for BirdLife while the new building is constructed on the Peregrine House site.	3.8 and 3.9 Lorraine to contact Wayne about this.
		3.5 Media Storehouse proposal - Frank and Sandra.3.6 Social media coverage update - Kathryn - meeting before Christmas	3.11 Frank to confirm the appropriate quantum and Nic to advise the CEO of BirdLife.
		and set up of a Facebook page for BirdLife WA. Publishing guidelines are to be developed before the page is published - it will be important that these are adhered to. The amount of time being spent to administer the page will be monitored. There was discussion about the basis of the page being events, calls for volunteers etc.	3.12 Lorraine to send email of Exec endorsement and thanks to Sue

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		3.7 Perth Airport Bird and Animal Hazard Management Advisory Committee - letter re sitting fee - Nic	
		3.8 Tony Rouphhael email re Wandoo NP - Wayne Merritt - no action on this.	
		3.9 Yellagonga Integrated Catchment Management Plan - Wayne Merritt - no action on this.	
		3.10 Mallefowl monitoring at EBO - Wayne and Frank - no action on this.	
		3.11 Office Manager pay rise - response from National Office - Nic. The committee discussed paying Annette for an additional three hours per fortnight in recognition of the extra hours she regularly contributes without payment	
		Motion: That the committee instruct the NO to formally add 3 hrs per fortnight to the manager's contract.	
		Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Marion Massam. Carried.	
		3.12 General Meeting Co-ordinator for next year - Sue Mather has agreed to fill this position.	
4	Treasurer's	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as distributed to the end of December 2014.	
	Report	Nominated: Mark Henryon; Seconded: Sandra Wallace. Carried.	
		The Treasurer advises that the stocktake has been done, the 2015 budget is being developed and the end of year tasks are all under control. Discussion has resumed with National Office re the storage of the BirdLife WA MYOB data file on their server for them to access.	
5	Correspondence In	5.1 Response from Malcolm Heasman, Shire President Esperance re GWW letter - attached.	
		5.2 Response from Minister Jacob re GWW letter - attached.	
6	Correspondence	6.1 Email to Jordan Holzman declining fundraising offer	
	Out	6.2 Letter to Minister Greg Hunt re Mangles Bay Marina approval	
		6.3 Letter to Esperance Shire President re proposed land clearance in GWW (copies also sent to CEOs of Esperance and Ravensthorpe shires, councillors of Esperance and Ravensthorpe shires, Ministers for Environment and Agriculture and the EPA; an open letter was also published in the Esperance community newspaper - copy of letter attached.	
7.1	Bird Guides	-	
7.2	Community Education	Minutes tabled.	
7.3	Research	Wader surveys for Dampier Salt - reports tabled by Sue Abbotts.	
7.4	Submissions & Advocacy	GWW Clearing proposal/campaign. The Esperance Shire President has accepted BirdLife WA's pre-emptive letter as a submission, so no further action is required until further information has been made publicly available.	
		WA Biosecurity Strategy. Consideration to be given to conducting a pest	

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		bird forum.	
7.5	Country Branches	There will be a country branches session at the Festival of the Birds in March. Enquiries being made to fund the attendance of distant country branch representatives.	
7.6	Shorebirds 2020	Albany ID workshop 19-21 January being organised by GreenSkills and BirdLife WA.	
7.7	Conservation Council of WA	December bulletin distributed by Graham.	
7.8	O H & S	Draft emergency plan circulated, main focus being bushfire emergencies, Helen Mather recommends periodic evacuation drills and advice in WABN or eNews re potential office closure in event of extreme or catastrophic fire danger ratings.	
		The EC noted the finalised version.	
7.9	Sales	Stocktake completed. About 2500 items less than this time last year.	
7. 10	Library	-	
7. 11	Excursions	The public walks for this quarter have been advertised in the DPaW Bushland News newsletter.	
7. 12	Publications	-	
7. 13	Hooded Plover	-	
7. 14	Western Ground Parrot	-	
7. 15	GWW Committee	Minutes tabled.	
	Photogroup	-	
7. 17	Office	Front desk computer quote; payment for database upgrade - see attached report. The committee accepted Annette's proposal to transfer the computers within the office.	
		Motion: That the committee approve an honorarium of \$200 for Urs Steiner for the time he has put in upgrading the database.	
		Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
		Motion: That the committee approve the purchase of a new computer at a cost of \$1664.	
		Nominated: Sandra Wallace; Seconded: Marion Massam. Carried.	
7. 18	Events	South Coast Festival of the Birds - March 2015 (23-29) - Nic Dunlop and Sandra Wallace from the EC will be attending. Other members of the committee are also considering attending.	
		ArtGeo Exhibition in Bunbury (May/June 2015) and National Bird Week (Oct 2015).	

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8	Projects	 8.1 Black-Cockatoo Project Officer. 8.2 GCC 2015. 8.3 Bitterns. 8.4 GWW - see above. 8.5 Future funding. 8.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams. 8.7 IBA. 8.8 Rottnest - Shorebird 2020 count 7 & 8 February. 	
9	Other business	 9.1 Minister visit on 19th January for Lotterywest cheque presentation, 1.30pm at Perry House. It was agreed that live birds would be a useful addition to the proceedings and that a donation up to \$200 could be made to Kaarakin 9.2 Award nominations - WA Volunteers of the year, national service award. EC to consider suitable nominations. 9.3 Australian Ornithological Conference, Adelaide Dec 2015 - email from Sue Mather re student sponsorship attached. Motion: That the committee approve the allocation of \$1000 to sponsor students to attend the AOC. Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Marion Massam. Carried. 9.4 Emails from Wayne Monks - attached. 9.5 Items for Channel 7 news - Mark. There was extensive discussion of this item and several suggestions were made. 9.6 BirdLife WA - Mark. A discussion took place on the future role of the Branch as part of a national organization including conservation initiatives, advocacy, excursions etc. Future consideration would be given to the possibility of providing guidance to members about entering private and public land to observe birds. In recognition of the growing workload on the Branch Chair it was agreed that an 'Honorarium' should be paid to the Chair in future, the exact amount to be discussed further. 	9.1 Lorraine to investigate and progress with Jess and Sue Mather 9.4 Graham to draft a response for Nic regarding EC decision-making documentation, referencing the branch rules, and that a submission has been made on the Esperance clearning matter. 9.4 Nic to respond to the email about the Wilderness Society event - so long as BirdLife has a presence at the event, the BirdLife logo can be added.
10	Chair/Equipment /Office for meetings.	Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting: Monday 19 January 2015, Lorraine to Chair. Graham to open up. Guest Speaker: Sue Abbotts, Birds of Macquarie Island.	
		Next Committee Meeting: Monday February 16th at 5:30pm.	
		Meeting closed 2035 hrs.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 9th February 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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Welcome Attendar		Meeting started 1730hrs. Attendance: Graham Wooller, Marion Massam, Nic Dunlop, Lorraine Marshall, Sandra Wallace, Wayne Merritt, Matthew Pudovskis. Apologies: Kathryn Napier, Mark Henryon, Frank O'Connor. (Mike Bamford attended as a visitor.)	
1 Declarat Interest	ion of		
2 Confirma Previous	ation of minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the January 2015 meeting be accepted. Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Sandra Wallace. Carried.	
3 Business Action Li		3.1 Member survey - slow progress as Lesley has had to return to school commitments but she and Ray Flanagan are working together. 3.2 Policy document on control of pest birds - Nic - to be done when Nic's field commitments slow down. 3.3 Exec Committee members for 2015 and AGM - to date 12 nominations received from Mike Bamford (Chair), Nic Dunlop and Sue Mather (Vice Chairs, as previous two Chairs), Frank (treasurer), Kathryn Napier (secretary), Matthew Pudovskis, Paul Netscher (new office volunteer), Mark Henryon, Sandra Wallace, Graham Wooller, Vicky Bilney, Wayne Monks. 3.4 Serventy House working group - initial questions for steering group circulated - Graham. 3.5 Media Storehouse proposal - Frank and Sandra. No further action to be taken. 3.6 Photogroup and Events Committee Terms of Reference - Sandra and Lorraine. TOR template to be completed and forwarded to the Chair, who will then circulate to the EC for sign-off at the next meeting. NB. The Great Western Woodlands Committee also needs to have its TOR signed off by the EC. Motion: That the committee approve the terms of reference for the BWA Photogroup. Nominated: Sandra Wallace; Seconded: Lorraine Marshall. Carried. 3.7 Perth Airport Bird and Animal Hazard Management Advisory Committee - letter re sitting fee - Marion. 3.8 Tony Rouphhael email re Wandoo NP - Wayne Merritt - no action on this. 3.9 Yellagonga Integrated Catchment Management Plan - Wayne Merritt made a submission as a member of BirdLife and has nominated as a panelist on the residents' committee.	to sign. 3.12 Nic will send a further email to Wayne Monks in response to a number of emails.

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		3.11 Nominations for Volunteers of the Year - Graham.	
		Motion : That the committee approve Graham's three suggestions for this award.	
		Nominated: Wayne Merritt; Seconded: Lorraine Marshall. Carried.	
		3.12 Response to Wayne Monks' emails re EC decision making and Esperance land clearing - Graham and Nic. A response was sent re Esperance land clearing. There's not enough information about Helms block and its relationship to black-cockatoos to engage on the issue at this stage.	
		3.13 LotteryWest cheque presentation - Lorraine. The event went well and was well-covered in both print and radio media.	
4	Treasurer's	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as distributed to the end of January 2015.	Graham to update the book-keeper on current
	Report	Nominated: Graham Wooller; Seconded: Sandra Wallace. Carried.	signatories.
		Mike Bamford and Sue Mather agreed to become signatories after $23^{\rm rd}$ Feb.	
		Motion: That the committee confirm the signatories at the next meeting.	
		Nominated: Marion Massam; Seconded: Wayne Merritt. Carried.	
5	Correspondence In	5.1 Josan Moss resignation - the Country Liaison officer position is currently vacant.	
		5.2 Update from Sue Kalab - re exhibition.	
		Motion : That the committee approve the donation of \$1000 for Sue Kalab's art exhibition.	
		Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Wayne Merritt. Carried.	
		5.3 Email from Martin Ralph advising his departure from the Strategic Assessment of Peel-Perth project.	
6	Correspondence Out	6.1 Thank you letter and donation to Karrakin for LotteryWest presentation.	
	Out	6.2 Thank-you letter to Minister Jacob for Lotterywest presentation.	
7.1	Bird Guides	-	
	Community Education	No January meeting but bookings already coming in including a program of 2 walks and 2 presentations for City of Swan (donation of \$1200 for doing so) and interest from Cities of Subiaco and Stirling to work with them this year.	
		The committee approved the use of the grant money for the purchase of the laptop and data projector for Matt's use.	
		There was a proposal for the next committee to seek submissions from all subcommittees on their expenditure for the year so that the EC can prioritise expenditure.	
7.3	Research	-	
7.4	Submissions & Advocacy	Email from Errol Harwood re Helms Forest attached; updated tasks and milestones for the Strategic Assessment of Peel-Perth project received, attached.	

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7.5	Country Branches	See above.	
7.6	Shorebirds 2020	Many birds seen during recent counts.	
7.7	Conservation Council of WA		
7.8	O H & S		
7.9	Sales	-	
7. 10	Library	-	
7. 11	Excursions	-	
7. 12	Publications	-	
7. 13	Hooded Plover	Email from NO re response to a national mail out and Sue's response to Paul Sullivan, attached.	
7. 14	Western Ground Parrot	-	
7. 15	GWW Committee	Minutes tabled.	
7. 16	Photogroup	See above.	
7. 17	Office	Database payment, new computer and computer training, 25 year members.	
	Events	Update from Sue Kalab, Bunbury art exhibition, hard copy in exec pigeon hole - see above - to be run by Sue Kalab.	
		Tim Low set to speak at the Festival of the Birds in March - to be run by Greenskills.	
		Bird Week - 19 th October onwards - to be run by BirdLife WA. Bungalbin Festival - Eastern Goldfields/Esperance - late September - to be run by Wilderness Society.	
7. 19	Social Media	Admin and public Facebook protocols are attached. I am seeking formal approval from the EC for the 'admin' and 'public' posting guidelines, so that we may go ahead and publish the Facebook page. Could the EC please make notes of any changes, if required, and send them to Kathryn. I am happy to communicate with EC members via email if they have any queries, as I won't be able to make this month's meeting. Kathryn.	Matthew will email some additional comments to Kathryn.
		Motion : That the committee approve the admin and public posting guidelines for the BWA Facebook page, with an amendment that the EC has the ultimate discretion over content.	
		Nominated: Nic Dunlop; Seconded: Lorraine Marshall. Carried.	

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8	Projects	See summary from Sue Mather, attached.	
		8.1 Black-Cockatoo Project Officer.	
		8.2 GCC 2015.	
		8.3 Bitterns.	
		8.4 GWW - funding provision proposal circulated by Frank, email attached and support from Kathryn - see above.	
		8.5 Future funding.	
		8.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams.	
		8.7 IBA.	
		8.8 Rottnest - count just concluded.	
9	Other business	9.1 2015 National branch network forum and AGM - 21-23 May.	
		Motion : That the committee approve the sending of two representatives - traditionally the Chair and the Treasurer.	
		Nominated: Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
		9.2 2015 AOC - Kathryn has circulated the sponsorship application to Ornithological Researchers at UWA, ECU, MU, CU (at Sue Mathers request). KN is also working on contacting science departments at these universities so they may forward the application on to entire departments. I am also in contact with Sue Mather to decide if we publish the sponsorship on the JASON website (a postgraduate scholarship database for Australia).	
		9.3 Swan-Canning Recovery program - email from Sue Mather, possible recommendation of Charles Merriam.	
		9.4 25 Year Members - included in Office Manager's report.	
		9.5 Honorarium for the BWA Chair.	
		Motion : That the committee ask the Treasurer to approach National Office about the payment of a lump-sum honorarium.	9.1 Graham to update Mike with all relevant
		Nominated:Lorraine Marshall; Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	dates for the year.
		9.6 Pest Bird Management in WA - Wayne Merritt alerted the committee to the detection of European Blackbirds and Eurasian Tree Sparrows in the south-west - these are declared pest species not established in the wild in Western Australia due to the past efforts of the WA Government and the community. Apparently the relevant government departments now have a reduced capacity to prevent the establishment of these species and the further spread of European Starlings within the State.	9.2 Lorraine to ask Annette to formally contact Charles regarding this.9.5 Frank to approach National Office about an honorarium for the chair.
		This is of great concern to BirdLife WA as these species would likely have significant impacts on native bird populations and once well-established would not be able to be eradicated.	Nic and Frank to also follow up on the payment for Annette.
	Chair/Equipment /Office for	Chair/Equipment/Office for Annual General Meeting: Monday 23 February 2015, Nic to Chair. Graham to open up.	
	meetings.	Guest Speaker: Allan Burbidge, Recent developments in the conservation of threatened species in south-west Australia.	
		Next Committee Meeting: Monday March 9th at 5:30pm.	
		Meeting closed 2030 hrs.	

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	Welcome and Attendance	Meeting started 1730hrs.		
		Attendance: Mike Bamford, Graham Wooller, Nic Dunlop, Sandra Wallace, Matthew Pudovskis, Sue Mather, Kathryn Napier, Paul Netscher		
		Via skype: Mark Henryon, Vicky Bilney		
		Apologies: Frank O'Connor		
		Motion: That the minutes from the February 2015 meeting be accepted.		
	Previous minutes	Nominated: Nic Dunlop; Seconded: Sandra Wallace. Carried.		
2.0	Action List	 2.1 Member survey – Lesley Macauley and Ray Flanagan making progress with phone calls, data being entered for Helen Bryant to do analysis of responses. Nic Dunlop gave background of surveys—poor response through WABN and the online survey. Volunteers are calling to increase the sample size. 2.2 2015 Network forum and AGM – 21 – 23 May – information circulated, Frank and Mike to attend. BWA to cover Frank O'Connor's attendance expenses. Sue Mather suggested Mike Bamford book a separate meeting with Paul O'Sullivan. 		
		2.3 Serventy House working group – meeting with Fratelle, BirdLife WA requirements have been provided – Graham. Serventy House Report produced by FO'C.	2.3 MB to send FO'Cs report.	
		website as well as direct to universities. SM noted the conference date has been	2.4 KN to amend dates and resend sponsorship application form.	
		2.5 GWW and Events Committee TOR – GWW draft document attached. TOR discussed at item 6.15.		
		2.6 Perth Airport Bird and Animal Hazard Management Advisory Committee – letter re sitting fee – Nic. Marion Massam drafted a letter, sent to but not yet edited by ND. MB highlights importance of networking, increasing profile of BWA, and reputation of the committee. GW offered to sit on committee.		
		seek reimbursement for travel costs and expenses such as phone bills, past Chairs have rarely done so. Discussion on the recognition of the increased workload of the Chair's position, and the importance of increasing membership. SM noted there is a	2.7 FO'C to flesh out logistics of Chair honorarium at NO meeting (e.g. tax implications)	
		2.8 Pest Bird Management in WA – draft submission from Mike and Marion in conjunction with Sam Vine. It was noted that pest native birds are also an issue, not just introduced species, though quarantine and biosecurity efforts are concentrating on introduced species. ND commented education is important for success of submission, and this submission would be a good example to build a campaign structure around. MB suggested a BL press release to start proceedings. ND emphasised the importance of long term planning of campaign. GW showed examples of a national BL myna campaign as an example. MB suggested advocacy sub committee, though ND suggested EC control rather than a sub committee and a one day workshop.		
3.0	Treasurer's	3.1 Treasurer's Report – Frank O'Connor. Motion: That the committee approve		

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	Report	the accounts as presented to end of February 2015. Moved: Graham Wooller; Seconded: Kathryn Napier. Carried.	
		3.2 Provision for maximum \$1500 to contribute to South Coast Festival. Basil suggested use of funds to meet Tim Low's expenses, approval from EC met over email. Invoice from Basil to come after the festival. Some cost recovery with nonmembers to be charged \$15 for attendance at March general meeting (Tim Low to present).	
		3.3 Sue Kaleb has not received funds from BWA- BWA have offered to pay for the venue hire, but need an invoice.	3.3 Contact SK to receive the invoice for venue hire, which BWA will then pay.
		3.4 2015 Budget – email and spreadsheet attached. <i>Motion:</i> The 2015 budget to	3.4 Budget to be sent to NO by June (FO'C back in April).
4.0	-	4.1 Request for article for Swan River Trust magazine – Mike. MB sent off on weekend, with input from Pam Agar. Noted that the article will be good publicity for BL.	
		4.2 Invitation from Swan Estuary Reserves Action Group, osprey platform at Pelican Point. SM representing BWA, noted good rehabilitation of PP by SERAG, and the opportunity for BWA to contribute to management- e.g. a boardwalk on the beach to decrease disturbance.	
		4.3 Email from member re item in WA eNews of 27 February – concerned about support of Helms Forest protest – attached. See general advocacy discussion.	
		4.4. Spit at Point Walter- Kim Onton and MB attended meeting in February, with Swan River Trust, City of Melville, and DPaW. Black swans and oyster catchers attempting to breed - good site for water birds. MB showed decline in most waterbird species – signage to go up explaining protection. BWA to provide information to go on signs, with the BL logo attached.	
	Correspondence Out	<u> </u>	5.1 MB to sign letters (a copy of WABN to be sent also).
6.0	Committees	6.1 Bird Guides – 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet. SM noted the Kojonup bird guide is ready to go, with Kununurra and Wyndham in negotiation.	
		6.2 Community Education – Minutes of February meeting attached along with 2015 committee members.	
		6.3 Research – letter regarding databases attached; 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet. Discussion on the development of a uniform proforma to be used by all projects, with a metadata process (e.g. core fields, description of how data was collected). ND described the process for future projectsnew projects to be sent to the RC for assessment and to decide how data will be managed and backed up.	6.4 MR to speak to
		6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – request from member Veronica Pidgeon – would like BirdLife WA to approach Shire of Mundaring re the need for education	6.4 MB to speak to Annette Parks- AP to obtain more information from VP.

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	repeat effort- there is a need to develop a standard submission form template (e.g. similar to Carnaby's form), and to encourage and support members to campaign on local issues. Suggestions from SW to provide images of birds with angel wing, and from Vicky Bilney to send the link to the DPaW website http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/animals/living-with-wildlife/90-why-you-should-not-feed-wild-animalsFYI. EC needs to pursue this issue with Veronica Pigeon to obtain more information, and support VP with a few words to support her stance so she may contact the shire.		
	areas. IBAs, shorebirds, etc. It is important for the EC to manage expectations from members; complaints about perceived lack of action in regard to ground parrots, western rosellas, etc. Not all members support certain issues- e.g. Helms Forest email received. A discussion on the general advocacy vision of BLWA and the relevance of the strategic plan revealed that advocacy is not very well organised or structured, with this issue highlighted at the AGM. Future operational plan to address advocacy issues was discussed: ND suggested a one day EC forum that is open to members, who want to highlight conservation issues- a planning exercise to decide what issues to support and resources to commit, and develop an explicit advocacy plan for the year, which will be reviewed every 12 months. MB has spoken to NO for guidance	advocacy forum (invite conservation office from NO?). EC to decide on date, and a rough format	
	6.4 Email from Wayne Monks - issues were discussed broadly, with the plan to progress as per the operational plan detailed above.		
	suggested EC meetings be held in the region, but this is not practical. There will be a	6.5 MB to thank KO for work on workshop and encourage to continue.	
	6.6 Shorebirds 2020 –		
	6.7 Conservation Council of WA – Community Eco Action month in May – response from Graham circulated		
	6.8 OH & S – nil report; Helen Mather still OH&S rep		
	6.9 Sales – 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet, currently has no EC representation with the retirement of Lorraine Marshall		
	6.10 Library –		
	6.11 Excursions – 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet, currently has no EC representation with the retirement of Wayne Merritt; Sue Abbotts happy to liaise with the EC		
		6.12 AP to please add WA and NO E-news cut off	
	6.13 Hooded Plover – survey reports coming in	dates to meeting calendar and circulate to EC.	

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	6.15 GWW Committee – Minutes of February meeting attached along with 2015 committee members. MB to attend this month's GWW meeting. With the cessation of funding to the project approaching in May, the potential disbanding of the GWW committee was discussed, but importance of the project recognised. It was suggested that the GWW committee may need to be streamlined to organise logistics for future surveys. The EC is to play a stronger role in the support of the GWW committee (e.g. funding opportunities). The TOR not finalised; MB to discuss with GWW committee. Liz Fox is to apply for BOCA funding.		
	6.16 Office – training for office volunteers; office closure March 27th		
	 6.18 Events - 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet, Chair is vacant. 2015 Committee members listed in attached spreadsheet, Chair is vacant. EC is taking responsibility for 4 events already on the table. ND is continuing to liaise with events sub committee members. ND discussed plans and the schedule for Albany. SM is to coordinate with Tegan Douglas for Tim Lows plans. 6.19 Social Media – updated Facebook admin guidelines attached. KN gave a brief update- over 300 'likes' in the first 2 weeks, with positive feedback received. Paul Netscher highlighted the need for strict guidelines to ensure discussion on Facebook do not get out of control. Requested changes to allow posts on general advocacy issues not directly supported by BLWA were not approved as the EC did not find them to be appropriate. 	6.18 Email to existing Events committee members to convey EC is keen to work with them to progress events. 6.19 KN to arrange representatives form country branches to be invited to become Facebook admins. 6.20 SM and MB to	
		discuss field trips, etc.	
		6.21 Confirm existing committees and members	
7.0 Projects	officer recruitment. SM gave an update on the recruitment of the project officer-Murdoch University require a position description from NO.	7.1 SM to progress with NO and email Lotterywest an update once project description is received.	
	7.3 Bitterns – 2016 calendar, email from Robyn Pickering re size and numbers - Sandra		
	7.4 GWW –		
	7.5 Future funding – Meeting with Andy Scobie re fundraising – Mike. MB reported on negotiations with Lotterywest RE grant schemes for BirdLife.		
	7.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams – SM and Matt went to meeting.		

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		7.7 IBA –	
		7.8 Rottnest – February survey report attached	
8.0	Other Business	8.1 Branch Strategic Plan – emails circulated re priorities and action items. ND commented it is important to plan and reassess every 12 months, as proposed above. In particular, what strategies can we implement to increase membership. Lapsed members have been sent letters from NO and BWA, along wth a copy of bird notes. MB noted that membership has not increased significantly from ~400 members in the 1980's.	
		the outcome after the meeting - Kathryn. MB noted it is important for personal responses to be sent. 8.3 Insurance – Mike. GW commented on the need to review the adequacy of	8.2 KN to send action items to AP in a timely manner. AP to then respond to people as necessary.
		 8.4 BirdLife WA sub-committees get-together – Mike. MB commented that it is important sub committees feel appreciated, as their efforts are greatly appreciated. MB to sit in on as many committee meetings ad possible. 8.5 Rio Tinto events 2015 – Mark. MH reported that event at Parabadoo will not occur in 2015, though Pannawonica and Dampier Salt are going ahead. MH to be 	8.4 EC members to contact MB with thoughts on a get-together.
		more proactive to potentially increase sites and progress with other companies.	
9.0	Business arising		9.1 KN to contact AP for petty cash (change for books, attendance fee).
		Next Committee Meeting: Monday April 13 at 5:30pm.	
		Meeting closed 2040 hrs.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 13th April 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Welcome and Attendance	Meeting started 1735 Attendance: Mike Bamford, Graham Wooller, Nic Dunlop, Sandra Wallace, Matthew Pudovskis, Sue Mather, Kathryn Napier, Paul Netscher, Mark Henryon Apologies: Frank O'Connor, Vicky Bilney	
	Confirmation of Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the March 2015 meeting be accepted (subject to amendments) Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Graham Wooller	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	2.1 Member survey – not a great deal of progress has been made with phoning members, Ray Flanagan still available but Lesley Macauley less so. In total have just over 70 responses, an increase of almost 30 on those from the survey period but still short of the 10% of member figure of 120 – does the EC want the phone surveys to continue or for Helen Bryant to analyse the data gathered? It was recommended Helen Bryant begin to analyse the data, and phone surveys to cease. It was noted that future surveys should be simpler and consist of options and not free text.	нв
		2.2 2015 Network forum and AGM – MB to have private meetings as well as attending the forum.	contact MB with any issues to be raised
		 2.3 AOC 2015 – amended sponsorship form on the website and sent to conference organisers. KN emailed updated form to Universities and supervisors. 2.4 GWW and Events Committee TOR. GWW TOR to be signed by EC. 2.5 Perth Airport Bird and Animal Hazard Management Advisory Committee – letter re sitting fee – Nic 	
		2.6 Chair Honorarium – FO'C is currently away, see action item from March EC meeting (item 2.7).	
		2.7 BirdLife WA advocacy forum – several emails already circulated including from Frank. Discussion on the options for the structure of the forum- Discussion on the types of advocacy issues that can be supported by BWA, such as IBAs, or flagship species or areas. Advocacy forum to include the EC, with submissions invited by members. A date to be set, with members to be notified via ENews and WABN.	members and propose a date
	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of March 2015 Tabled Moved: Graham Wooller. Seconded: Sandra Wallace	3.0 GW to contact Annette Park RE invoice for Tim Lows expenses
4.0	Correspondence In		
		4.2 National office – review of national Congress and Campout, potentially one this year if a branch is willing to organise, otherwise planning will start for 2017. ND suggested highlighting the profile of the GWW by hosting a 'Woodlands' congress and campout in 2017 hosted by BWA. Congress in Kalgoorlie, with campouts in Credo, Ravensthorpe, etc.	with the possibility of a

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	4.3 Invitation from the Dept of Agriculture to participate in a tools and application focus group for an agricultural weed surveillance project. MB to thank Dept of Agriculture for the thought, but to decline the invitation, and to use the contact to discuss feral birds.	4.3 MB to contact Dept of Agriculture
	4.4 Notification of no 2015 Australasian Bird Fair but planning for 2016 has commenced – email attached. It was noted that the Bird Fair is a good marketing opportunity for NO (NO should include mention of BWA as a regional group).	
	4.5 Invitation to participate in 2015 National Threatened Species Day (6 th September), expression of interest needed by end of April – opportunity to funderaise, Friends of WGP participated in last year's event in Fremantle – email attached. It was noted that this is also a good opportunity for the sales and photogroup sub committees, and for BWA to show a presence. Live Cockies from Kaarakin could be provided, along with education displays, cards for sale, photodisplay, etc.	and education committee
	4.6 Invitation to participate in the Perth Science Festival, not allowed to sell merchandise etc. but free to participate in, the theme is "Year of Light" – email attached. Not applicable to BWA.	
5.0 Correspondence Out		
6.0 Committees	 6.1 Bird Guides – payment of \$220 received from Shire of Augusta Margaret River towards development of local guide. ND amended draft. 6.2 Community Education – minutes of March meeting attached; a number of 	
	events underway with City of Swan, Town of Cambridge and City of Subiaco. MB to endeavour to attend next meeting.	
	6.3 Research – minutes of the February meeting attached.	
	6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – 6.5 Country Branches – ND attended meeting in Albany after Southwest festival of birds forum, where there was a presentation by the mid-west group. Country branches would like support from BWA with presentations to occur in country areas. Tegan Douglas took minutes, ND to circulate. Vicky Bilney to act as country branches representative for the EC and communicate with conveners and update EC.	
	6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – Kimberley Onton resigning from Coordinator position – email attached, plus copy of position description. Call for new coordinator to be placed in ENews.	
	6.7 Conservation Council of WA – information already circulated by Graham; BirdLife WA member Helen Bryant is now their Office Manager	
	6.8 O H & S – nil report;	
	6.9 Sales – minutes of last meeting attached; currently has no EC representation. MB to meet with sales sub-committee to discuss how EC can support the group.	
	6.10 Library –	
	6.11 Excursions – Discussion if non-members can lead excursions. MB to	6.11 MB to investigate

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	investigate.		
	6.12 Publications –		
	6.13 Hooded Plover –		
	6.14 WGP –		
	6.15 GWW Committee – update on the status of the project; new Chair. See item 7.4.		
	6.16 Office – no current issues		
	6.17 Photogroup –		
	6.18 Events – Sue Kalab's art exhibition	(10 VN 40 contact AD DE	
	6.19 Social Media – SW suggested calendar of meeting dates and ENews cut off dates to be placed on facebook. MP suggested the facebook link to appear on the website.		
	6.20 Bird Observatories -		
7.0 Projects	7.1 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – Position description attached. Job has been advertised with a submission deadline April 24.		
	7.2 GCC 2015 – Adverts were placed to retrieve more volunteers (600 in total). Assistance from Candace (to be paid) in data entry.	7.2 SM to send published paper of 2014 GCC to EC members	
	7.3 Bitterns –		
	7.4 GWW – MB attended last months meeting. The committee is in search of a new Chair.	h	
	7.5 Future funding –		
	7.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams – SM representing EC, attended last meeting with Matt Byrne. SM in talks with Allan Burbidge RE task force.	1	
	7.7 IBA – Research Committee are compiling list of WA IBAs detailing known data, sites covered etc.	h	
		7.8 SM to draft email	
8.0 Other Business		status of volunteer lists. MB to respond to Paul	
	8.2 Development of project list for circulation in universities, aimed at biology/zoology students	RE status of volunteer lists	
		8.2 MB and KN to discuss contacts	
	8.3 Membership – NO recruitment kit circulated, further email from NO indicating they would like WA to trial it for use by Branches; WA letter to new members, copy of current version attached. MB has made comments on WA letter to new members.	comments to EC members	

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		 8.4 Serventy House plans- Grahame Wooller. GW presented plans for Serventy House (\$2000 committed to feasibility study). Comments from SM: BGPA will receive a new building with no outlay- SM suggested BGPA accept management responsibility. The lease arrangements for BWA need to be improved (i.e. a 20 year lease- though BGPA says they can not commit). Note BWA cannot commit funds BWA should be looking at alternatives (better location, closer to transport). 8.5 State NRM conference, 23-27 September, Mandurah. ND and TD to present Gondwana link, presentations on GWW and Cockies. It was noted that this is a good funding opportunity. 	GW with comments on drafts	
9.0	Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 20 April 2015. Mike to Chair. Guest Speaker: Mitchell Basile, ECU – "The Eyre Bird Observatory student program". Next Committee Meeting: Monday May 18 at 5.30 pm.		
		Meeting closed 2045		

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 18th May 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Welcome and Attendance		AP to send card on behalf of EC to congratulate Matt and family
		Via Skype: Vicky Bilney	
		Apologies: Matthew Pudovskis, Sue Mather	
		Motion: That the minutes from the April 2015 meeting be accepted.	
	Previous minutes	Nominated: Mike Bamford; Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	2.1 Member survey – survey data has been sent to Helen Bryant for analysis. ND spoke to Lesley.	
		2.2 2015 Network forum and AGM – presentation of Distinguished Service Awards – finalised 2015 budget and action plan deadline is 31 st June. Distinguished service awards for Brice Wells and Rod Smith.	
		SM raised issue of project manager in Perth- GW raised the issue of payment. Management funds are included in the Cockies in Crisis grant- a percentage may be allocated to BWA project manager- FO'C estimated this cost to be ~32k with oncosts for 2 days a week. SM has covered management of projects to date. FO'C noted core BWA funds won't be used, and funds are to come out of project costs.	
		Amytornis- brief update from Research Committee from ND. The main issues are that there is no one to run the journal, limited editions are produced due to few submissions. The options are to increase the effort to contribute to submissions to Australian Field Ornithology from WA (and focus on AFO as a national journal), or find a credible editor/manager. It was noted that promotion of the journal to increase submissions is important.	
		Email from Fiona Blandford RE budget. Recognition of BWAs work is important though the contribution of members funds to BWA. Budget submitted to NO specified requested funds- \$3200 requested in 2014, and again in 2015 for support for NO events. Prior to merger- 7.5% was paid pre 2004, 15% from 2005. It was noted that BWA no longer pays audit fees or insurance, as they are now organised by NO. PN echoed GW's concerns RE NO office running a deficit.	
		2.3 Serventy House proposal – documents and emails circulated by Graham. PN commented on issues with design. MB and FO'C attended meeting. FO'C noted the proposed operating costs are too expensive for BWA, and there are concerns the operating costs may go to BGPA, and not into a reserve. Wildflower society and Nats club are very keen to go ahead with the proposal. VB asked about solar panels to decrease energy costs- FO'C commented finer details would be worked out at a later stage. The site is currently on government land, which results in no payment of rates. A discussion on the viability of a proposed cafe to be rented out at commercial rent to potentially offset operating costs- BGPA indicated this may not be too profitable. FO'C and PN to attend meeting on Tuesday May 19, which is the last chance to influence consultants and the final report. BWA may need to consider other alternatives. MB noted the initial purpose of the BWA investment fund was to purchase a property. GW noted that BWA funds are earmarked for running/maintenance costs of the office. Accommodation to be discussed with NO by MB.	attending meeting. MB to inform NO of accommodation issue.
		There was no response to relocation question raised at the last meeting. SM suggested contacting 6-8 of the larger councils to discuss other options (note that	

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		BWA is an asset due to school visits, education committee, etc).	
		2.4 Chair Honorarium – Frank. FO'C encourages chair to submit expense claims, but noted this is different to an honorarium (to be paid as recognition of the importance of the position). Potential tax implications of 'income' were discussed. It was noted that an 'active chair' could be more involved in improving the coordination of fundraising.	implications with personal accountant and NO.
		changes he made to include a more broad conservation outlook. PN noted minor changes to grammar to make letters more personal. Discussion on difference between	2.5 EC members to send comments to MB. MB to discuss supporters with NO.
		2.6 BirdLife WA advocacy forum – No date currently set. MB polled EC members for potential dates, and a Saturday afternoon would be best. SW asked who would be asked to attend- MB replied members of sub-committees would be invited to attend.	dates.
		2.7 Volunteer lists to National office – Discussion via email. ND noted any registration form from now on should ask if volunteers are happy to have their details added to a list as an opt-out.	
		2.8 Project list circulation in universities —To be taken over by the Research Committee- to raise the profile of BWA in terms of volunteer opportunities with surveys, etc.	
		2.9 Greenskills invoice for Tim Low visit – has been received and paid. VB commented very positively on TL's Albany presentation, and noted a large number of books were sold.	
		2.10 Proposed 2017 national congress and campout in GWW to national office – Mike	2.10 MB to raise with NO.
	Treasurer's Report		3.0 SM and FO'C to invoice NO for Cockies in Crisis funds.
		Outstanding invoice to be sent to Peel Harvey Catchment Council prior to end of June. MYOB database to be put on National Server. FO'C to check on status of Bird Notes subscription costs with NO. SM to revise timing of budget for Cockies in Crisis by mid June.	
		3.1 Annette Park has been added as an administrator for the Westpac online banking.	
4.0	Correspondence In	4.1 Rottnest Island Authority re proposed development at Garden Lake, email and response attached. Discussion on the effects of development. It was noted the proposed advocacy forum will be helpful in formulating a response to correspondence received such as this. Need for a more coherent strategy in dealing with requests like this. ND noted potential concerns for rock parrot habitat and nutrient input into the lake.	4.1 ND to respond to Cassyana (RIA) with other issues identified.
		4.2 Diana Gibson, National Office – membership and communications update, email attached	

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		 4.3 John Peter, National Office – Grey Plover crowd funding media release 4.4 Reply from City of Melville re disturbance of birds at Point Walter spit. MB noted ongoing discussion between DPaW, Swan River Trust, City of Melville and BWA. 	
		4.5 Strategic Assessment of Perth Peel Region (SAPPR) report due in December, email attached	
		4.6 Peel Harvey Catchment Council NRM strategy launch media release, attached	
		4.7 Fiona Blandford, National Office – Shorebirds in Crisis media release, current social media campaign, attached. FO'C noted recent worldwide attention on crisis of shorebirds.	
	Correspondence Out	5.1 Response to Dept of Agriculture invitation to participate in weed surveillance project. Meeting with Viv Read held prior to BWA EC meeting. Dept of Agriculture to develop a new approach to deal with invasive birds due to cuts to funding. BWA to provide some support.	
		5.2 Response to John Clarke re Helm's Forest email	
		5.3 Response to Rottnest Island Authority re Garden Lake development5.4 City of Melville re disturbance of birds at Point Walter spit and subsequent response to CoM reply	
		5.5 Query from Sue Mather to SAPPR regarding release of report, email attached	
6.0	Committees	6.1 Bird Guides –	
		6.2 Community Education – minutes of April meeting attached. A busy start to the year for the CEC – 10 school visits (421 students & 54 teachers/helpers), 5 presentations (over 60 attendees) and 4 classes/walks for the City of Swan (129 participants). Received \$1475 in donations and \$39 card sales. MB to catch up with Brice Wells at NO meeting.	
		6.3 Research – Teagan Douglas and Lauren Gilson are continuing to consolidate list of IBAs to identify sites that are regularly surveyed/monitored, not often, or not at all. Recommendation to be made to EC at next RC meeting. VB expressed interest in proposed Gondwana Link project.	
		6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – email from Barbara Combs re proposed rezoning in Hazelmere, followed up by Mike;	
		6.5 Country Branches – ND and MB have met with mid-west branch. Two campouts (Perth and mid-west) approaching. VB asked about the committee structure of country branches- a quorum of 10-20 people is preferred. FO'C also noted that members can also be members of more than one branch. The Blues for the Bush is to be held on October 3, with TD to lead bird walks. VB will endeavour to get there.	

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		6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – advert for new coordinator included in the last 2 edition of the WA eNews. MB and KO in contact with several highly qualified candidates-MB noted a great response was received for this volunteer position. Interviews are to be conducted.	
		6.7 Conservation Council of WA –	
		6.8 O H & S – nil report;	
		6.9 Sales – minutes of May meeting attached, new member on committee – Helen Bryant; reviewing and updating TOR – request for recognition of contribution by Susan Tingay, email from Valerie Hemsley attached. SW to get in touch with Sales Committee as EC representative. HB endorsed as new committee member. FO'C discussed new card designs and quotes for printing photographs and drawings. Cards to be printed by August in time for Christmas Sales. It was noted HB has experience in the GWW website, and is to investigate promotion of sales online. SW noted memberships to be provided as recognition for contributions.	memberships as recognition with NO.
		6.10 Library –	
		6.11 Excursions –	
		6.12 Publications – Ruth Greble has been joined on the WA eNews team by Trish Berridge and Paulina Wittwer. MB commented this is great news, and thanks Ruth for her efforts.	
		6.13 Hooded Plover –	
		6.14 WGP –	
		6.15 GWW Committee – MB . Committee to apply for grant, to be sent to the EC prior to submission. Paid staff to conclude at the end of May with volunteers to take over. FO'C and MH noted lunch to thank all team members to be organised. Helena Aurora submission input to be provided by GWW (along with advice from the wilderness society). ND explained the current EPA process and background to the Helena Aurora submission- the EPA have advised the project should not be considered, but have been directed to conduct assessment by the Minister. The level of assessment is to be advertised. MB noted a conflict of interest. The acting chair GWW commented on the potential low profit from iron ore (\$2 a ton). MH suggested aligning BWA with Cons Council. Schapelle noted that despite the great efforts of native land owners/local inhabitants, the Mt Jackson mining went ahead, and it may be difficult to get native title on side due to disillusionment. The three GWW Project Officers, Elizabeth Fox, Shapelle McNee and Teagan Douglas are thanked for their contributions, hard work and enthusiasm over the course of the project.	6.15 SM and ND to sign submission on behalf of BWA. with signature also sought from NO.
		6.16 Office – no current concerns or issues; volunteer Jill Rowbottom recently hospitalised, get well card sent.	
		6.17 Photogroup – SW presented draft advertisement for the Photo Twitch (last week of Bird Week). Discussion on bird week- advertising, events, and coordinating group to be organised.	
		6.18 Events – email from Wildflower Society expressing an interest in participating in this year's Bird Week, including sale of bird attracting plants, attached. EC members noted this is a great idea.	
		6.19 Social Media – KN noted link to facebook now on the BWA website.	

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	6.20 Bird Observatories –	
7.0 Projects	7.1 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – A good response to the advertised position, interviews to commence.	
	7.2 GCC 2015 –	
	7.3 Bitterns –	
	7.4 GWW –	
	7.5 Future funding –	
	7.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams – FO'C noted New Project Officer is expected to be BWA representative.	
	7.7 IBA –	
	7.8 Rottnest –	
8.0 Other Business	8.1 BirdLife WA strategic plan – Graham. GW noted a lot of resources went into developing the strategic plan, and the importance of the EC revisiting the strategic plan. MB suggested a focussed discussion at the beginning of the next EC meeting.	the strategic plan in time
	8.2 'Addendum to the Branch Working Arrangements' and 'Policies and Procedures/Terms of Reference Document'— Graham. Needs to be added to the branch website.	
	8.3 Communications in between EC meetings – Mike. While excessive numbers of emails should be avoided, some issues need to be dealt with via email before a meeting- e.g. Penny Lee would like BWA named as a supporter. VB noted that a single topic per email, with a clear subject line would aid communication.	
	8.4 Rio Tinto Bird events – MH. Pannawonica is to go ahead, Port Hedland and Dampier set for October.	
9.0 Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 25 May 2015, Frank to Chair. Guest Speakers: Adam van der Beeke, Fremantle Port Authority "The Fairy Terns at Rous Head" and Nic Dunlop "South-west Fairy Tern Project'	
	Next Committee Meeting: Monday June 8 at 5:30pm.	
	Meeting closed 2040 hrs.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 8^h June 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Welcome and	Meeting started 1735 hrs.	
		Attendance: Mike Bamford, Graham Wooller, Nic Dunlop, Sandra Wallace, Kathryn Napier, Paul Netscher, Frank O'Connor, Mark Henryon, Matthew Pudovskis, Sue Mather	
		Via Skype: Vicky Bilney	
		Conflict of interest declared: MB for point 4.5.	
1	Confirmation of	Motion: That the minutes from the May 2015 meeting be accepted.	
	Previous minutes	Nominated: Graham Wooller Seconded: Frank O'Connor. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	•	2.1 PN to send comments on membership letter to
		Advocacy Forum date set for July 4, at 2pm. Discussion on invitees- brief set of notes to be provided by MB. Suggested representatives from key committees (RC, Excursions, Mike Craig, Allan Burbidge, Rob Davis, Marion Masson, Ron Johnson, Ken Monson (Peel Harvey). Country branches to be notified.	
		MB noted the Nats Club has set up Young Professionals Facebook Group, and mentioned the possibility for a joint group (regarding BWA list of projects for undergraduate students?).	Forum. 2.1 MB to follow up free
		National Congress 2017 is being organised by another group. Is BWA possibly interested in 2018?	memberships (Susan Tingay, cards) with NO. 2.1 KN to email MB
		GW indicated concern at the recent letter to Members from the CEO Birdlife Australia requesting Donations which had a letter head 'WA Carnaby,s Black Cockatoo Appeal 2015' when there was no guarantee any, let alone all of the monies, donated would actually flow to the WA Carnaby,s Black Cockatoo Project.'	regarding project list.
		MH noted concern for \$1.9 million reduction in funding for NO. FO'C noted from discussions with NO that adjustments are being made to funding by increases from major donors as a result of major decreases in research and government funding. BL recognises the need to increase revenue stream from donations and bequests.	
		2.2 2015 Network forum and AGM – update from Mike and Frank. NO noted WA is the worst performing state in terms of Atlas Contributions, largely due to the fact that the WA Database does not talk to Atlas. SM has encouraged Excursions to fill out Atlas forms but has met resistance from members who do not wish to fill out two separate forms. MB noted the importance of use of databases- and asked who is using the WA database. SM answered members, however government departments do not use this database (hence the importance of WA entries to the Atlas). SM noted there was earlier criticism the WA database wasn't originally vetted, but has been since. VB will promote the Atlas forms to country branches. FO'C mentioned the Bird Portal, due to go live in the next few weeks, and is keen to get WA database involved.	Atlas forms. 2.2 MB to meet with excursions committee to encourage Atlas Forms to be filled out. 2.2 MB to speak to Piers Hicks to investigate the WA database to be linked to the Atlas.
		MB spoke to NO about memberships and WABN subscriptions- noted online membership is clunky, but this will not be changed in the short term. NO suggested if people are having trouble, to call NO and they will talk them through the process. MH asked if it's possible to liaise with NO on behalf of the members who are having trouble with renewing memberships. BWA need to advertise NO phone number to call (1300 number, not currently found on website). SM noted the importance of increasing WABN subscriptions to maintain cost effectiveness.	2.2 MB to contact Paul Sullivan and Fiona Blandford about website issues, and to provide the

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		FO'C met with Bruce Potgieter about finances and FB RE branch support. BWA is to submit a proposal to NO suggesting an appropriate amount required for branch support- 10-15%? The proposal will emphasise that BWA is unique in their activities. For example, financial support could be provided for a new office.	
		2.3 Serventy House proposal – latest update. Reported by PN: The architects have provided two alternative options, with a reduced cost to the original proposal. BWA and other groups are to provide a proposal to BGPA board in time for their October meeting, including details of groups involved, finance to be obtained, inclusion of Perry House, and how the groups can contribute to Bold Park. Lesley is to provide information of details to be included from BWA. PN noted importance of MOA between groups, with a financial management proposal also to be submitted to BGPA (e.g. details of sinking fund, maintenance). Final report to be provided by Fratelle by the end of the month. Stephanie was going investigate the reports required by Lotterywest for the expenditure of \$29,500.	
		2.4 Chair Honorarium – MB is uncomfortable with receiving an honorarium and setting a precedent for future chairs, and proposes to claim expenses for mileage for attending meetings.	
		2.5 Membership recruitment kit and WA new member letter – One new feature was a form to capture prospective new members.	
			2.6 EC members to review
		2.7 Branch governance for the Exec Committee – website updates.	2.7 GW to communicate with AP to send up to date documents to Jen Sutfin.
	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of June 2015 Tabled	
		Moved: Frank O'Connor; Seconded: Kathryn Napier	
		FO'C noted initial funds were received from Lotterywest for the Cockies in Crisis project. Funds have been reserved for the printing of the Great Cocky Count report and the hire of Karrakin cockatoos for Matt Byrne to promote the GCC results. Possible launch in conjunction with the Perth region NRM in Northern Suburbs (e.g. Gnangara).	
		3.1 Approve a MYOB login for Bruce Potgieter (NO Head of Finance). He will only have access at this stage to a copy put on the NO server. This is to allow him to build a quarterly (or monthly) summary of the projects Australia wide for the Board.	
		Motion: To approve MYOB login. Nominated: Frank O'Connor, Seconded: Sue Mather	
		3.2 Approve adding Bruce Potgieter as a Westpac signatory. He won't have electronic banking access. This is to allow him to request the annual audit details for all members of the Network, and will save us time and \$50.	
		Motion: To approve BP as signatory. Nominated: Frank O'Connor, Seconded: Sue	

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		3.3 Investigate the option of putting about 1/3 of our investment funds (say \$100,000 to \$150,000) in the JB Were Investments used by National Office and Gluepot. With interest rates well down for the foreseeable future, this is worth investigating. The actual investment (if considered worthwhile) would not happen until future EC approval.	3.3 FO'C to follow up with BP and put forward
		3.4 Concerns from auditors re management of donations. It was reported that Birdlife Australia's Auditors had expressed concern that the remaining donation funds from the J Holmes a Court donation for black cockatoos had still to be spent on the Black Cockatoos conservation, as intended at the time of donation. SM and Dean Ingwerson had a discussion about the use of the funds (\$34,000), and suggested a percentage could be used to employ a projects manager (Liz Fox, for 2 days a week). The funds could also be used as a voluntary agreement for future grant applications (i.e to support Taronga and WWF grants, to be spent on fencing, etc.). It was noted \$80,000 has been lost from NO Research funds.	3.4 SM to put details in writing.
		3.5 Rio Tinto Dampier Salt – MH reported that the Dampier Salt/ Port Hedland bird event will occur from 22-28 th October with 4 volunteers; however the donation may be reduced to ~\$500 a day per volunteer (from \$1000). Rio Tinto to assess budgets and will report back to MH.	
4.0		4.1 John Ashford, Forest Rise Eco Retreat – bird survey request, offer of accommodation, attached. MB suggested AP pass on to Clive Nealon. ND suggested asking local member Chris Wilder if she'd like to run the survey with Boyd, and to suggest reinforcements of Sue Abbotts and Clive Nealon if required.	Chris Wilder.
		4.2 Senator Scott Ludlum – invitation to Urban Bushland roundtable, attached. Postponed until July 22. MB to attend.	
		4.3 John McMullan, WA member – offer of help with digital image library – with Frank.	4.3 FO'C to liaise with John.
		4.4 Zoe Atkinson – request for advice/assistance with revegetation project attached. SW suggested Robyn Pickering. ND suggested Canning River for planting advice, and copy of pamphlet 'Plant for Cockies'.	4.4 MB to reply to Zoe and send a copy to RP to gauge interest.
		4.5 John Vranjic, Dept of Environment – invitation for submission on draft listing assessment for the Eucalypt Woodlands of the WA Wheatbelt, attached MB declared conflict of interest- has previously contributed. SM and MB noted it is politically useful to contribute to such assessments.	placed in ENews.
	Correspondence Out	5.1 Card to Matt Pudovskis	
		5.2 GWW ABEF grant application.	
6.0	Committees		placement of brochures on the website- requires volunteer to load files to be linked to website.
		6.2 Community Education – no May meeting, offer of help with digital image library, Arbor Day event with Town of Cambridge 5 th June, 8 schools and 240 students. SM reported on Arbor Day.	
		6.3 Research – North Ongerup malleefowl surveys – email circulated by Vicky VB requested EC position on support for continued surveys to determine if the	

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	corridor is worth maintaining, or if smaller sites are more important to mallefowl of the proposed project Jeff Lodge and Roy Garston are potential volunteers. VB would like to offer travel support for surveys to new volunteers as Rod Smith has now retired after performing 16 years of surveys twice a year. Noted that there is no formal relationship with NPG and BWA. South coast NRM supported last survey. VB communicated the importance of investigating the importance of the corridor to malleefowl (radio tracking to track individual birds, cameras, etc.).	oject,
	MB noted direction is needed from RC regarding Amytornis and AFO.	
	6.4 Submissions & Advocacy –	
	6.5 Country Branches –	
	6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – Interviews to be conducted for volunteer coordinator position (5 people). MB noted great response from volunteers, due to fantastic advertising by Kim Onton.	
	6.7 Conservation Council of WA –	
	6.8 O H & S – communication with David Coutts in NO re OH&S concerns for 6.8 SM to commun proposed nest monitoring and repairs.	icate
	6.9 Sales –	
	6.10 Library –	
	6.11 Excursions –	
	6.12 Publications –	
	6.13 Hooded Plover –	
	6.14 WGP –	
	6.15 GWW Committee – MH raised question if money was allocated to surveys 6.15 MH to commu for August surveys. FO'C noted \$7500 for 3 years is present in the balance sheet back to Schapelle. under liabilities.	ınicate
	6.16 Office – no issues, fairly quiet in the office at the moment.	
	6.17 Photogroup –	
	6.18 Events – ND noted advertisement for volunteers for planning committee for 6.18 AP to draft bird week (18-25 October) needs to be placed in ENews. Helen Bryant has advertisement to be volunteered to coordinate event. Attendance from CEC member would be very placed in ENews (buseful. Panel to be formed asap.	
	6.19 Social Media – have over 500 followers of the WA Facebook page.	
	6.20 Bird Observatories –	
7.0 Projects	7.0 Projects – funding of a part-time project manager, possible use of Holmes a Court money – Sue. See point 3.4.	
	7.1 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – Tegan Douglas has been appointed, and will commence in several weeks.	

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		7.2 GCC 2015 – SM to attend Perth region NRM meeting. MB and Matt Byrne to meet with WWF regarding the Cockies in the Wheatbelt grant, \$40,000.		
		7.3 Bitterns –		
		7.4 GWW –		
		7.5 Future funding –		
		7.6 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams – SM and Matt Byrne attend meetings. SM has been conversing with Allan Burbidge regarding a Technical Advisory group required to cover all projects.		
		7.7 IBA – Need to find 'champions' for IBAs and Atlas, both important national initiatives. Suggest include a half page on each in each edition of WABN. The issue will be to get an author for this, but initially someone in NO might be able to provide a WA perspective – Frank. SM noted negative reactions by members to filling out Atlas Records. FO'C suggested the Portal could be the first step (available for testing in the next few weeks).		
		7.8 Rottnest – SM to contact Rottnest regarding MOA. The biggest issue is how often the bush bird surveys should be conducted (originally conducted to assess effectiveness of revegetation). SM suggests every 10 years, Rottnest prefer every 2 years).	Rottnest.	
8.0	Other Business	1 1 1	8.1 GW to contact NO to find out how much BWA is covered for.	
		8.2 BirdLife Australia Conservation Portal - due to be released for testing by the end of this month. Need to find someone to test this from the WA perspective. There is the opportunity to incorporate the WA Database into this as well as WA Suburban Bird Survey data, and other key historic data we may have such as the South West Waterbird Surveys, and possibly the Hooded Plover surveys if this is not already being done – Frank		
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9.0	Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 22 June 2015, Mike to Chair. Guest Speaker: Neil Hamilton, DPaW will be giving an update on the DPaW cat eradication programs in WA. Presentation of BirdLife Distinguished Service Medals to Rod Smith and Clive Nealon, plus re-presentation of Brice Well's medal.	attend July EC meeting.	
		Next Committee Meeting: Monday July 13.		
		Meeting closed 2100 hrs.		

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 13^h July 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Welcome and	Meeting started 1735 hrs.	
	Attendance	Attendance: Graham Wooller, Nic Dunlop, Kathryn Napier, Paul Netscher, Mark Henryon, Sue Mather, Matthew Pudovskis	
		Apologies: Mike Bamford, Sandra Wallace, Frank O'Connor. Vicky Bilney has resigned (note need for a new Country Branches representative).	
	Confirmation of Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the June 2015 meeting be accepted.	
	r revious minutes	Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Paul Netscher. Carried.	
	Business Arising – Action List	2.1 Advocacy forum – Notes from meeting should go to any EC member who was not there and we are at the point of commenting on the notes in order to develop an overarching advocacy strategy (which will replace the advocacy section in our existing strategic plan) with an underlying plan – Mike. ND gave a brief synopsis of the forum- Great Cocky Count to be used as the first campaign. Need to determine what BWA stands for, and how desired outcomes will be achieved. The development of a standard letter to respond to concerns received from members or general public was discussed, particularly potential questions resulting from the GCC report.	to EC members with a deadline date for comments.
		Proposal: A group to be formed, including Matt Byrne, to coordinate and prepare for the media launch of the GCC.	
		2.2 Serventy House proposal – latest update, next meeting 28 th July	
		2.3 WA new member letter – updated version circulated by Mike. MB has sent letter on to NO (Fiona Blandford would like to have some input).	
		2.4 BirdLife WA strategic plan – Point 1. A discussion on what has been achieved: If groups such as Bush Heritage and AWC are considered corporate partnerships, stronger relationships with these groups have been fostered over the last 12 months. Funding committee has not been re-established. Funding has been received for several grants in the last 12 months. Tax deductible donations have been promoted (June 2015 Bird Notes), with a number of donations received. Landholder agreements have been put in place. There is a need to refocus on what BWA can achieve- point 1 may be too ambitious, and may need to be amended/updated.	Finance Officer, will report if donations have increased.
		2.5 Branch governance for the Exec Committee – documents prepared by Annette for uploading to website. GW received feedback on several points to ensure the sub-committees are accurately represented, e.g. the GWW committee TOR, updated the title of the 'Research Committee'.	2.5 MH to provide feedback to GW.
		2.6 2014 Member Survey – Helen Bryant's analysis attached. A great job was done on the analysis- a summary is to be reported in Bird Notes.	2.6 SM to contact HB to produce a summary. SM to send a copy to NO. AP
		2.7 Membership – breakdown of membership by category spreadsheet attached; new instructions for office volunteers to help callers having problems joining on line have been developed. GW noted 1290 members, with students (32), stickybeak (16) and business (8) members.	to thank HB in writing. GW to provide final
		2.8 Chair update – attended meetings on Starling and Rainbow lorikeet control, meeting with Ian Cotton, Rangelands NRM. \$1.9 million received for projects ('Corridors project', Fortescue Catchment), with a possible collaboration with BWA (members to record sightings and roost locations, and interactions with	2.8 EC members to send

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		other species). It was suggested a small-scale trial survey could lead to a larger, funded project. Methodology is to be discussed with the Research Committee. GW reported that 35400 Rainbow Lorikeets and 4200 Introduced Corellas culled in WA from 2007 to 2013.	any comments to MB.
		2.9 Project list for undergraduate students – Kathryn. Held over.	
		2.10 Insurance cover increase – Graham	
		2.11 Campout and Congress in Broome – Mike. Sept/Oct 2016. NO is approaching AWSG and BBO. Appears to be some interest from AWSG members in Perth.	
		2.12 Birdlife Australia Research and Conference Awards – Graham. GW noted awards made to Dr Gallo-Cajiao, Murdoch Uni (Carnabys Cockatoos), Dr Yeop, Murdoch Uni (Black Cockatoos), Dr Wiley, UWA (Climate Change effect on birds).	
	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of June 2015 Tabled	
		Moved: Sue Mather; Seconded: Kathryn Napier	
		3.1. Approval sought for BWA to get three Westpac Debit MasterCards (Annette Park, Tegan Douglas, Matt Byrne) linked to a new Westpac Community Cheque Account – email details from Frank attached, support email from Mike also attached	
		Moved: Sue Mather; Seconded: Kathryn Napier	
4.0	Correspondence In	4.1 Greenskills – Southcoast Shorebird Survey report 2014	
		4.2 Ian Cotton, Rangelands NRM – workshop invitation	
		4.3 Jesz Fleming – advising interest of Sally Talbot MP in Wilson's Inlet issues	
		4.4 Dept of Water – response to BirdLife WA letter re Wilson's Inlet sand bar	
		4.5 Andrew Reeves, Dept of Agric – invitation to join Rainbow Lorikeet steering committee (Mike has attended meeting and documents attached)	
	Correspondence Out	5.1 Zoe Atkinson – response re request for assistance with revegetation project item placed in WA eNews	,
		5.2 Sally Talbot – response re Wilson's Inlet issues	
		5.3 DAFWA – survey response on future management of pest birds	
		5.4 Brent Tobin, Rio Tinto – letter of service for 2015 Dampier and Port Hedland walks and surveys	
		5.5 Rick Dawson, DPaW – letter of congratulations re Queen's birthday honours	,

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6.0		6.1 Bird Guides – Report from Pam Agar circulated by Sandra Wallace. Guides currently in progress: York, Augusta-Margaret River, Donnybrook, Corrigin, Busselton, Porongurups.	
		6.2 Community Education – minutes of June meeting attached.	
		6.3 Research – Nic- Recommendation Amytornis be merged with Australian Field Ornithology (AFO), and BWA to promote AFO once online access is established. The. WA database and ATLAS database are not compatible and can not be merged, although WA sheets can be converted to ATLAS sheets where ATLAS criteria are met. SM noted MOA and Bushbird/Shorebird 2020 documents are currently with RIA waiting to be signed off.	
		6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – Wilson's Inlet; mining in Helena and Aurora Range.	6.4 AP to send letter to the EPA.
		6.5 Country Branches – A new representative is required.	
		6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – six people were interviewed for the WA Branch Shorebird 2020 co-ordinator position. This process was organised by Kim Onton. The position has been offered to Bruce Greatwich. It is proposed that some of the other applicants be approached to either support this position or volunteer for other tasks. Reported by MB- Kim Onton proposes using some of Swan River Trust grant to run a two day workshop in 2016. The grant specifies that it be used for this sort of thing.	
		6.7 Conservation Council of WA –	
			6.8 SM to confirm if any changes have been made.
		6.9 Sales – Frank O'Connor recommends approval for printing of 8,000 cards, quotation attached. Emails previously circulated with support from – Mike, Sandra, Vicky, Kathryn, Graham. PN suggested more information on BirdLife WA to be added to the back of the card to aid in promotion of the branch.	
		Moved: Graham Wooller; Seconded: Mark Henryon	
		6.10 Library – Cathy still working on updating the catalogue and clearing out some of the older publications	
		6.11 Excursions –	
		6.12 Publications – Amytornis – support requested to initiate the merger process with AFO. Both are publications of BirdLife with their own ISSN so also need agreement from NO and the editorial board of AFO.	
		6.13 Hooded Plover –	
		6.14 WGP –	
		6.15 GWW Committee – minutes of last meeting attached, Alasdair Bulloch is the new Chair of the committee; bird surveys in the Wheatbelt. MH reported the committee are keen to conduct surveys in the wheatbelt to complement the GWW surveys. Possible funding from NRMs. A budget allocation of a total of \$7500 for the two years 2015 and 2016 had been made. Confirmed by the EC.	to RC.
		6.16 Office - Ray Flanagan will be away for a while next year so will be	6.16 Official thanks needs to be sent to Ray once she

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		stepping down as the Office Volunteer Coordinator, Julia Gross has agreed to take over the role from Ray.	•
			6.17 ND to speak with Helen Bryant RE coordinating working group,
		(Community Ed have Kings Park Festival walks in Bold Park on Sat 12 and 26 Sept and are happy to participate in the Open Day on the 13 th). Bird week update circulated by SW- meeting with a working group needs to be organised asap. SW has identified a group consisting of Julia Lewis, Brice Wells, Lou Scampoli, Lesley Macauley, Sandra Wallace, Helen Bryant.	6.18 KN to put note in bird notes- email KN if members wish to promote events on the BWA facebook page.
		6.19 Social Media –	
		6.20 Bird Observatories –	
7.0	Projects	7.1 Project Manager – report attached; proposal for funding 2 day/week Project Manager attached (including proposed use of Holmes a Court funds to support the salary), emails previously circulated; Terms of Reference for Black Cockatoos Technical Advisory Group (TAG) attached for approval. Proposal for Project Manager sent to NO.	
		7.2 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – Tegan Douglas and SM have had a number of meetings with Perth Region NRM, WA museum. MB met with Manda Page (DPaW) who would like more exchange of ideas between DPaW's species recovery team and BWAs project officers and TAGs.	
		7.3 GCC 2015 – Allan Burbidge is viewing GCC report, to be sent on to NO (to be released in August/September). Expressions of interest to Perth NRM are due by August 10 (management plan for roosting/nesting/foraging sites). Confirmed the cost of holding the GCC was ~\$50000.	,
		7.4 Bitterns –	
		7.5 GWW – letter requesting BWA funding attached plus copy of budget.	
		7.6 Future funding –	
		7.7 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams –	
		7.8 IBA – SM contacted by Golo Maurer for WA IBA representative (referred to MB).	
		7.9 Rottnest – June Shorebird survey report tabled – attached; new Memorandum of Understanding	
8.0	Other Business	8.1 Rio Tinto bird walks – Mark	
		8.2 Kit Prendergast – seeking employment, CV attached	
		8.3 State NRM Conference, Mandurah – Sue Mather presenting paper.	
		Motion: BirdLife WA pays the registration fees (\$350).	
		Moved: Paul Netscher, Seconded: Matthew Pudovskis	
9.0	Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 27 July 2015 Chair	

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		Sue Mather. Guest Speaker: Clive Napier "The history of the WA Branch of RAOU, Birds Australia and BirdLife Australia.	
		Next Committee Meeting: Monday August 10.	
		KN requests a volunteer to take the minutes for the August EC meeting, as she can't attend.	
		Meeting closed 2015 hrs.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 10^h August 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Attendance		SM to advertise Exec Committee vacancies
	Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the July 2015 meeting be accepted. Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Sandra Wallace Carried.	
2.0		2.1 Advocacy forum – Kathryn has emailed updated notes, and asked for further comments and amendments to be received by August 17. The Great Cocky Count is to be used for the first campaign. Suggested items for inclusion and media list submitted by Graham Wooller. Remainder of forum recommendations to be pursued. 2.2 Serventy House proposal – latest update. An investigation by the consultants was nearing completion. Paul Netscher reported that the final consultant's report had not yet been received; a report to Lotterywest would be prepared and the format of a possible presentation to the Bold Park Management Board was under consideration. 2.3 BirdLife WA strategic plan – increase in donations? - Sue 2.4 Insurance cover increase – Graham. Graham Wooller indicated that Leanne Curnow, Nat Office had stated "WA Branch does not have a separate insurance cover as such; it is covered within BirdLife's Industrial Special Risks Policy'. She is awaiting a copy of the certificate of currency and would forward it to GW as soon as received herself. 2.5 Branch governance for the Exec Committee – documents are on the website, modifications can be added as required 2.6 Project list for undergraduate students – Kathryn 2.7 Membership – the office has a copy of the kit developed by Jen Sutfin. Branch membership at July 2015 was 1258, a rise of 37 members on the March 2015 figure. It was confirmed that those attending campouts had to be members for insurance purposes and a check was needed to enforce this. It was confirmed that the Chair needed to take up with National Office the current membership application requirements as members were being lost as they could not be signed up 'on the spot' at presentations, shows etc.	suggestions. MB to pursue other forum recommendations. 2.7 SM to confirm all attendees at campouts are members. MB to confirm membership application requirements with NO.
	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of July 2015 Tabled Moved: Sue Mather; Seconded: Sandra Wallace	
		It was confirmed that \$7,480 was currently available for Great Western Woodlands. 3.1. Establish an investment portfolio with JB Were using the same conditions as National Office, using the \$160,000 from the recently matured St George term deposit. Decided that \$160,000 of BAWA Inc funds currently in a Term	

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	Deposit be invested in the JB Were BirdLife Australia, Australian Bird Environment Fund and Gluepot Reserve Investment fund. Quarterly reports would be available. JB Were's fee was 1.375% of the sum invested.	
	3.2 Finance Committee Graham Wooller indicated that the Addendum to the Branch Working Arrangements approved by the BirdLife Australia board made it a requirement for the branch to have a Finance Committee to consider amongst other matters, the investment of funds surplus to the day to day functioning of the branch. Agreed that Frank O'Connor will ensure that two Finance Committee meetings are held this year and two branch members are recruited as required by the Addendum.	organise Finance Committee meetings and recruit 2 additional
.0 Correspondence 1	4.1 Sue Kalab – thank-you letter re BirdLife WA assistance with her exhibition	
	4.2 Jim Sharp, DPaW – invitation to comment on Roebuck Bay marine park management plan, attached	
	4.3 AOC sponsorship applications from Erika Roper, Felice Morcombe, Sam Rycken and Hayley Warrener. Expenditure of \$500 each from branch funds to be granted to 2 students at WA universities for attending the conference in Adelaide later in the year. Felice Morcombe and Sam Rycken successful applicants.	
	4.4 WA Plantation Resources (WAPRES) – inviting comments on WAPRES seeking derogations for the use of the FSC listed Highly Hazardous chemicals Amitrole, 1080 and Alphacypermethrin, email attached	
	4.5 Dr Paul Vogel, EPA – response to Helena and Aurora Range letter, happy to meet to discuss	
.0 Correspondence Out	5.1 Dr Paul Vogel, EPA – re proposed mining in Helena and Aurora Range	
	5.2 Kaylene Carter, EPA - re proposed mining in Helena and Aurora Range	
.0 Committees	6.1 Bird Guides – request received from City of Joondalup to update guide.	
	6.2 Community Education – minutes of July meeting attached.	
	6.3 Research –.	
	6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – 6.5 Country Branches –	
	6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – Kim has had a handover with new coordinator Bruce	
	Greatwich, copy of document attached. Currently supported through Federal Caring for Country Grant. Annual counts by volunteers at over 150 shorebird areas undertaken.\$12687 available for support in Branch funds at present, for Shorebirds 2020.	
	6.7 Conservation Council of WA –	
	6.8 O H & S –	
	6.9 Sales – minutes of July meeting attached Formal approval given to the printing of additional 8000 bird cards and envelopes for sale. Thanks to be recorded	

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		6.11 Excursions –		
		6.12 Publications –		
		6.13 Hooded Plover –		
		6.14 WGP – any update on zoo project - Graham		
		seeking Exec approval. Approval for sale of prints to raise funds was given. \$6730	6.15 SM to advise GWW Committee re fundraising and ABEF grant.	
		6.16 Office –		
		6.17 Photogroup –		
			6.18 SW to coordinate Bird Week	
		6.19 Social Media – Note to go in next issue of WA ENews to contact Kathryn to promote events and activities on the BirdLife WA Facebook page 6.20 Bird Observatories -		
7.0	Projects	7.1 Project Manager – Recruitment progressing. Job Description at Nat Office.2 days a week. Fundraising important. Dean Ingwersen no longer contact for WA Project staff, currently James O,Connor.	7.1 SM to action	
i		7.2 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – Tegan to attend Sept Exec meeting. Recent meeting of Threatened Black Cockatoos Technical Advisory group and another planned in October, to include representation etc.		
		7.3 GCC 2015 – Matt to talk at August general meeting. Sue Mather reported on resignation of Matt Byrne from 25 th September The results of the April 2015 Count were still being considered and the results were not likely in August. Cocky Counts cost circa \$50000 per annum. Nic Dunlop indicated there was a WA Threatened Species Forum to be held on 30/31 October in Geraldton which might be a suitable platform to announce the results of the Count depending how delayed they were.		
		7.4 Bitterns – photographs have been selected for the 2016 fundraising calendar – email from Robyn Pickering attached A print run of 400 copies has been approved.		
		7.5 GWW –		
		0 0 11	7.6 MB to clarify with national office re \$20,000	

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	Office.	grant. SM to advise on outcome of grant applications.
	Sue Mather indicated that applications had been made for State NRM Funding (Starlings, Rainbow Lorikeets and nest boxes in Wheatbelt for Carnaby's Black-Cockatoos) and Perth Region NRM funding (future cocky counts and management agreements). The results of initial applications would be known by the end of December.	аррисаноло.
	7.7 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams –	
	7.8 IBA – query from Graham – how many of the WA IBAs are visited/surveyed - 14 IBAs had been identified by Birdlife A as at very high levels of threat, 5 in danger. None were in WA as data not available or not accepted by Nat Office. The 71 IBAs in WA (314 Total in Australia) were meant to be monitored annually where practicable, to assist those concerned with bird conservation locally or landowners to conserve particular IBAs. Regrettably this was not taking place in many instances. A Facebook Group had been set up to help protect the IBAs. The National IBA Programme Coordinator is Golo Maurer but there is no WA IBA Coordinator.	
	7.9 Rottnest –	
8.0 Other Business	 8.1 Channel 7 story on Herdsman Lake – emails circulated by Mark 8.2 State of Australian Birds report – Sue Funded by the Federal government and Birdlife Australia's Bird Environment Fund using the Australian Bird Index with 15 years of data collection, 14 million records and 900, 000 surveys. No information had 	
	been published on WA birds as it was indicated that the WA data was inadequate and in the wrong format for assessment.	
	8.3 Embroidery House proposal – Sue, letter attached New Branch jacket approved for sale, pending approval of design by National Office	8.3 SM to ask AP to confirm with Fiona Blandford that design is
	8.4 Perth Airports Hazard committee – query from Graham on who is BirdLife WA representative No one clear as to where the Branch stood regards	OK.
	8.5 Website officer – Richard Chyne now putting items on website	airport re representation on Hazards committee.
	8.6 Branch Volunteers - Paul Netscher suggested expanding the database of Branch members who could provide assistance to the Branch with their specific skills and expertise. Agreed Paul prepares a document for discussion.	8.6 PN to prepare volunteer document.
9.0 Business arising	9.0 Business arising	
	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 24 August 2015 Chair Frank. Guest Speaker: Matt Byrne "Great Cocky Count 2015 and other Carnaby work".	
	Next Committee Meeting: Monday 14 September	
	Meeting closed 8.30pm.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 14^h September 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Welcome and	Meeting started 5.30pm	
	Attendance	Attendance: Keith Lightbody, Sue Mather, Sandra Wallace, Frank O'Connor, Paul Netscher, Graham Wooller, Mike Bamford and Kathryn Napier.	
		Apologies: Mark Henryon, and Nic Dunlop.	
		Guest Presentations: Andy Scobie and Mark Williams; Tegan Douglas.	
		Andy Scobie and Mark Williams discussed funding opportunities.	
		Tegan Douglas discussed her contact with FPC. The timber industry are keen to improve their image in regard to conservation of Cockatoos, and seek endorsement from BL Australia and a representative from the EC to sit on their steering committee to inform their replanting project. The EC supports the appointment of a representative.	with FPC.
	Confirmation of	Motion: That the minutes from the August 2015 meeting be accepted.	
	Previous minutes	Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List		develop a draft information pack. MB to
		2.2 Serventy House proposal – latest update. PN attending meeting Wednesday 15/09.	circulate his comments on the Advocacy Forum.
		2.3 Project list for undergraduate students – Kathryn. MB noted success of Nat's club young professionals.	2.3 SM to send list of projects to KN and MB.
			2.4 MB to approach Christine Wilder.
		2.5 Bird week update – Sandra. MC and opening/closing speaker required- Rob Davis suggested. PN suggested contacting camera businesses for potential displays. SM suggested hiring the raptors again this year. SM suggested applying to the Cambridge Council for funds.	2.5 MB to approach Rob
		2.6 AOC Sponsorship applications – all applicants advised of outcome.	to country contacts.
		2.7 State of Australian Birds – lack of WA data – Graham. FO'C noted key survey data from GWW, CDR, etc has been included in the Atlas. SM is discussing with AH. KN noted recent outcomes from the August RC meeting.	
		2.8 Membership – clarification of immediate signup – Graham	
		2.9 Embroidery House – Fiona Blandford advised current design not OK – 'Australia' or 'Western Australia' has to be directly under birdlife. Ballards advised and alternate suggestion has been given, not heard back from them.	
		2.10 Airport Hazards Committee – Mike. MB to follow up with contacts sent by Wes Bancroft.	
		2.11 Branch volunteers – Paul. Document circulated by PN.	
3.0	Treasurer's	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of August 2015 Tabled	

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Report	Moved: Graham Wooller; Seconded: Sandra Wallace	
		3.1 FO'C to notify NO of bequest once details have been received from executor.
	3.2 Finance Committee – email and documents circulated by Graham. Volunteers called for, noted the committee is a requirement.	3.2 MB to call for volunteers at the next monthly meeting.
4.0 Corresponden	4.1 Reverend Richard Pengelly – invitation to commemoration of Elizabeth II as longest serving monarch at St Georges Cathedral. MB attended.	
	4.2 Albert Jacob, Minister for Environment – Kimberley Science and Conservation Strategy update – attached. Sent to NO.	
	4.3 Annette Hoskisson, Perth Region NRM – 2015 Community Capacity Assessment - attached	4.3 SM to address.
	4.4 Friends of Kings Park – invitation to opening of the Botanic Terraces and Botanic Pavilion garden party. MB or SM to attend.	
	4.5 Invitation from Wayne Monks to participate in Merredin Workshop/Forum and Conservation display – email and flyer attached.	
5.0 Correspondend Out	5.1 State NRM – Letter of support for SW Group Community Awareness Project	
	5.2 Craig Olejnik, DPaW – letter of support for fencing at Alfred Cove	
	5.3 Helen Bryant – thank you letter for work on member survey	
	5.4 Sue Kalab – thank you letter and congratulations on art exhibition	
	5.5 Darlington Arts festival stall application5.5 Elisabeth Sturrock, Northern Agricultural Catchment Council –letter of support for Catalyst Community Art grant	
	5.6 AOC sponsorship applications – all advised of outcome	
6.0 Committees	6.1 Bird Guides – FO'C noted the bird guides are being updated to be consistent with the NO taxonomy list.	
	6.2 Community Education – minutes of August meeting attached, no September meeting.	
	6.3 Research –.	
	6.4 Submissions & Advocacy –	

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		6.5 Country Branches – ten copies of WA Bird Notes September issue sent to all country branch convenors for promotional use. 6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – new brochure "don't BUZZ that bird" produced in conjunction with Swan River Trust, copies in the office, electronic version attached. New coordinator, Bruce Greatwich, to attend October Exec meeting. 6.7 Conservation Council of WA – 6.8 O H & S – 6.9 Sales – 6.10 Library – 6.11 Excursions –	Onton regarding Swan
		6.12 Publications – 6.13 Hooded Plover – 6.14 WGP – 6.15 GWW Committee – minutes of August meeting attached. 6.16 Office – 6.17 Photogroup – 6.18 Events – 6.19 Social Media – 6.20 Bird Observatories -	
7.0		7.4 Bitterns –	strategy/press pack for the GCC release and communicate with RP and TD. TD to speak to WWF regarding threatened species day regarding press strategy.

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		7.9 Rottnest –	
8.0	Other Business	8.1 FO'C noted the Rio Tinto Birdwatch events at Pannawonica, Port Hedland and Dampier and Karratha are going ahead in October (led by Sue Abbots, Mark Henryon, Les George, and FOC).	
9.0	Business arising	9.0 Business arising 9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 21 September 2015 Chair Mike. Guest Speaker: Mike Bamford "Twenty-four years of systematic bird observations in a garden". Next Committee Meeting: To be confirmed via email. KN called for a volunteer Secretariat for the October EC meeting.	_
		Meeting closed 8.30pm.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 19^h October 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Issue/Topic	Points of Discussion/Details (motions/decisions in italicised type)	Action required and Time Frame
	Welcome and Attendance	Meeting started 5.30pm	
		Attendance: Keith Lightbody, Sue Mather, Sandra Wallace, Paul Netscher, Graham Wooller, Mike Bamford, Mark Henryon	
		Apologies: Frank O'Connor, Kathryn Napier, Sandra Wallace	
		Guest Presentations: Bruce Greatwich – Shorebirds 2020.	
			Mike and Kim to pull data together.
		- Count areas need reviewing	Hooded Plover national
			report needs to include WA - Mike
		- Need to fill in gaps – areas not surveyed – Pilbara coast eg.	
		- Local group supplied with telescope and binoculars	
			Bruce contacting Dan re date
			Bruce to chase funding prospects
		- Align with Friends of Lake McLarty – funding applied for by the Friends	prospects
	Confirmation of Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the September 2015 meeting be accepted.	
		Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Graham Wooller. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	2.1 Committee vacancies – welcome to Keith Lightbody	
		2.2 Serventy House proposal – latest update. PN attachments	•
		Option 2 agreed with. Approval in principle of the operating budget estimates, approval of the proposal including operating mechanism to be supplied to the BGPA and subject to getting the go-ahead from BGPA for a confirmed submission to Lotterywest for construction.	
		2.3 Advocacy forum – draft information pack for cockatoo advocacy issues	All to review Mike's doc.
		2.4 Bird week update – Sandra	deferred
		Agree that letter sent to organisers to congratulate and thank them for organising this event.	Annette, Mike to sign
		2.5 Project list for undergraduate students – Kathryn. MB noted success of Nat's club young professionals.	
		2.6 GCC 2015 report release – preparation of strategy/press pack; mail out prepared	
		Mike to launch Report at a press conference at the Threatened Species Forum in Geraldton	Mike and Tegan

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		2.8Branch volunteers – Paul	Deferred Paul to send to Sue for WABN
	Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of September 2015 Tabled Moved: Graham Wooller; Seconded: Keith Lightbody	
4.0		from Annette attached 4.2 City of Melville – advice re installation of interpretation nodes along foreshore, copy attached 4.3 EPA – response to letter re Wilson Inlet sand bar 4.4 Email from Maria Lee, DPaW inviting BirdLife WA to join the Toolibin Lake recovery teams attached	Mike to contact Annette re letter to City of Melville re new signage
	Correspondence Out	Nil	
	Committees	6.1 Bird Guides – 6.2 Community Education – minutes of October meeting attached. 6.3 Research –.minutes of September meeting attached Suggest that project design for wheatbelt survey so that this can be compared with GWW results. 6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – 6.5 Country Branches – 6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – 6.7 Conservation Council of WA – AGM on 17 th October 6.8 O H & S –	To Andrew Hobbs

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		6.9 Sales –	
		6.10 Library –	
		6.11 Excursions –	
		6.12 Publications –	
		6.13 Hooded Plover –	
		6.14 WGP –	
		6.15 GWW Committee – minutes of September meeting attached.	
		Suggested that once report is out meet with the GWW Committee to discuss what advocacy needs to be put in place.	
		6.16 Office – report attached	
		6.17 Photogroup –	
		6.18 Events –	
		6.19 Social Media –	
		6.20 Bird Observatories -	
7.0	Projects	7.1 Project Manager –	
		7.2 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project –	
		7.3 GCC 2015	
		7.4 Bitterns –	
		7.5 GWW –	
		7.6 Future funding –	
		7.7 Representation on conservation council cockatoo coalition– minutes of Cockatoo Coalition meeting attached	
		7.8 IBA –	
		7.9 Rottnest –	
8.0	Other Business	8.1 Channel 7 – Mark	
		Story to go ahead- footage at Herdsman Lake – Mandy Bamford	
		8.2 Rio Tinto/Hedland Care Group – Mark	
		Send thank you card to participants	Annette to send cards
		8.3 Eyre Field Studies Course – grant applications, one received to date, attached	

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		Received: William Oversby	Annette to notify
		Agreed to support if the course has not been filled.	
9.0	Business arising	9.0 Business arising	
		9.1 Mike's summary of current actions:	•
		Andy Scobie re sources of funding. Issue of national office approach to fund raising being objected to by membership.	
		9.2 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 26 October 2015 Chair Sue, Guest Speaker: Christine Groom, Carnaby's cockatoo in the urban landscape of Perth: how they use the landscape and how we can help to ensure they keep visiting.	
		Next Committee Meeting: To be confirmed via email.	
		Meeting closed 8:40 pm.	

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 9^h November 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Issue/Topic	Points of Discussion/Details (motions/decisions in italicised type)	Action required and Fime Frame
	Welcome and Attendance	Meeting started 1730 hrs. Attendance: Sue Mather, Paul Netscher, Frank O'Connor, Graham Wooller, Mark Henryon, Sandra Wallace, Keith Lightbody, Mike Bamford, Kathryn Napier	
		Apologies: Nic Dunlop	
		Guest: Helen Bryant briefly attended (7.1)	
1	Confirmation of Previous	Motion: That the minutes from the October 2015 meeting be accepted with the correction that Mark Henryon attended.	
	minutes	Nominated: Sue Mather Seconded: Mike Bamford. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	2.1 Committee – nominations for 2016 Nominations are due in January 2017. Calls for a Vice Chair - ND ad SM will be stepping down as co-vice chairs. MB and FO'C noted several potential interested future committee members. MB to contact Christine Wilder and to network with volunteers at upcoming events.	
		2.2 Serventy House proposal – latest update Decision will be known after BGPA board meetings on November 17. Potential interest from Greening Australia to also be involved. Pending BGPA approval, we need to make clear what the submission to Lotterywest will involve (e.g. exactly how much space is required by each group).	(Greening Australia) to update.
		MB and Tegan Douglas attended threatened species forum to launch GCC. MB provided brief update on the forum and post launch media releases/interviews. SM mentioned potential link with Singapore through Jess Lee.	standard letter from previous projects. MB to review
		2.4 Bird week/Open Day- review Review presented by SW. Due to low attendance numbers, PN suggested a more public location in the future, such as Kings Park. It was suggested to run an open day as part of the Wildflower Festival at Kings Park/BGPA open day in September, and run multiple walks over National Bird Week. MB suggested linking bird walks with nature walk programmes run by councils, which seem to be quite popular. FO'C suggested the budget could be better spent on more school visits. KL provided feedback from members that the Stirling range bird walks are fantastic value. SW noted BWA is too small to hold a large event over national bird week. MB mentioned NO members day which used to be run in Melbourne. MH suggested radio programmes would be a great asset to assist with advertising future	to 1. amalgamate with the 2016 BGPA open day, and 2. to coordinate with various Friends Of groups/local shires to run bird walks to coincide with national bird week/backyard bird count.

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		2.5 GCC 2015 report release and future funding SM mentioned funding proposal recently submitted to DePaW. SM noted the GCC is the sole data source for reporting on threatened species, and this should be emphasised with government agencies when pursuing funding. SM presented budget details for funding the 2016 GCC by BWA, and will liaise with FO'C. MH mentioned the possibility of television coverage. FO'C mentioned funds for an IBA officer to review IBAs would be helpful.	2.5 MH will follow up with television contacts for potential interest in sponsorship/promotion of the 2016 GCC.
		 2.6 Airport Hazards Committee – Mike. KL to represent BWA. 2.7 Swan River Trust funding (Kim Onton) – Mike Small grant to run public events around waterbirds on the Swan River. 	2.6 MB to notify airport hazards committee. 2.7 MB to follow up with KO and Bruce.
		2.8 Representation on Lake Toolibin Recovery team – David Secomb has agreed to be the BirdLife WA representative	
	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of October 2015 Tabled Moved: Sue Mather; Seconded: Kathryn Napier	
		Treasurer's report presented by FO'C. 3.1 Term deposit for \$165,000 rolled over for 4 months. Interest increased from 2.6% to 2.8%.	
		3.2 Stella Stewart-Wynne's stall at the Darlington Arts Festival raised over \$1,000 – have asked Annette to send Stella a thank you card.	
		3.3 We received a \$1,000 donation from Xenia Dennett to contribute towards the WA pelagic trips. I have created a new Liability account Tied Donations in the Balance sheet to reflect donations such as this.	
		3.4 Some of the participants in the Nangeen Reserve surveys have asked that their \$75 expenses be a donation to us. I have asked Bruce Potgieter in National Office how we go about this. FOC to contact BP again.	
		3.5 The Rio Tinto Birdwatch events have happened, some invoices have been sent (3 rd Nov) and the rest will go out the next time Erica Brock is here. The total for 2015 is \$20,000. MH raised the question is the reimbursement for volunteers enough for the Rio Birdwatch events? Reimbursement is for fuel only, but an additional amount was also provided by Rio.	

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		3.6 JB Were investments FO'C has provided information and paperwork for the JB Wier investments (\$160000), but two 2 additional signatories are required. GW and MB volunteered.	
	Correspondenc e In	Wilson's Inlet, attached MB met with Sally Talbot (local member).	4.2 AP to put notice in enews. FO'C to liaise with John Blyth.
5.0	Correspondenc	5.1 Thank-you letter to Xenia Dennett for donation	Diy tii.
	e Out	5.2 Email to Maria Lee, DPaW re David Secomb, representative on Lake Toolibin recovery team	
		5.3 Thank-you card to Stella Stewart-Wynne for Darlington Arts Festival	
6.0	Committees	6.1 Bird Guides – clarification on names.	
		6.2 Community Education – bookings already starting for 2016 with events planned in conjunction with City of Cockburn and Shire of Swan as well as participating again in the Earth Day Export the Canning River Eco Centre.	
		6.3 Research –	
		6.4 Submissions & Advocacy –	
		6.5 Country Branches –	
		6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – MB meeting with Bruce Greatwitch to discuss Chevron funding for Pilbara waders. MH met with the Mayor of Port Hedland Kelly Howling, who is keen to partner with BWA. Shorebird workshop planned for February 2016.	
		6.7 Conservation Council of WA –	
		6.8 OH & S –	
		6.9 Sales – minutes of October meeting tabled	
		6.10 Library –	
		6.11 Excursions –	
		6.12 Publications –	

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		6.13 Hooded Plover –		
		6.14 WGP – replacement for John Blyth needed on the WGP recovery team. KL expressed interest.		
		6.15 GWW Committee – MH meeting on Thursday.		
		6.16 Office – office closure over Christmas/New Year; volunteer Xmas lunch and notification of leave application for next year – see attached report. MH to put up wooden blinds on office.		
		6.17 Photogroup – Historic heritage Sue Emmett? Art exhibition plans see sales committee minutes		
		6.18 Events –		
		6.19 Social Media –		
		6.20 Bird Observatories -		
7.0	Projects	 7.1 Project Manager – announcement of new manager. Helen Bryant introduced herself to the committee at the beginning of the meeting. 		
		7.2 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project –		
		7.3 GCC 2015 –		
		7.4 Bitterns –		
		7.5 GWW –		
		7.6 Future funding — MB met with Andy Scobie and Paul Sullivan and the State Governor. There was a discussion on the lack of reports received from NO regarding the progress of the feasibility study and no invitation to the EC to provide input on the case statement and attend meetings. Motion: \$5000 from BWA is contingent on progress reports from NO. Moved: Keith Lightbody. Seconded:	_	
		7.7 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams and Cockatoo Coalition— HB will replace SM as representative. Forest black cockatoos meeting to be held on Friday November 27. 7.8 IBA —		
		7.9 Rottnest – MOU not received from Rottnest		

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8.0	Other Business	 8.1 Agenda structure 8.2 WA Bird Database/Birdata compatibility 8.3 Meetings reports – Mike and Sue 8.4 AP to send a reminder to committees to provide brief annual reports. 		
	Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 23 November 2015 Chair Mike. Guest Speaker: Sam Rycken from Murdoch University "Satellite tracking birds". Next Committee Meeting: Monday December 14. Sue Mather an apology.		
		Meeting closed 1945 hrs.		

Meeting of the Executive Committee, 14th December 2015, Peregrine House, Floreat

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	Issue/Topic	Points of Discussion/Details (motions/decisions in italicised type)	Action required and Time Frame
	Welcome and	Meeting started 1730 hrs.	
	Attendance	Attendance: Paul Netscher, Frank O'Connor, Graham Wooller, Mark Henryon, Sandra Wallace, Keith Lightbody, Mike Bamford, Kathryn Napier	
		Guest: Projects update provided by Helen Bryant (see item 7).	
		Apologies: Sue Mather, Nic Dunlop	
1	Confirmation of Previous minutes	Motion: That the minutes from the November 2015 meeting be accepted with a correction.	
		Nominated: Sandra Wallace; Seconded: Paul Netscher. Carried.	
2.0	Business Arising – Action List	A discussion was held on the time consuming role of the Chair, and the need to reduce the time committed in order to attract and retain volunteers for the position. Suggestions included allocation of duties to other EC members, such as authorising letters or chairing general meetings. It was noted that advocacy in particular takes up a significant amount of time, yet it is a very important part of the role. A formal advocacy committee would be very helpful, as would a Personal Assistant to the Chair. It was noted more active members are required to participate in the EC. The EC needs to better communicate accomplishments made. Communication needs to be increased between project officers, members, the EC and National Office.	members. 2.1 MB to try to attend volunteers lunch on Wednesday
		A discussion was held on fundraising approaches and comments from members upset at repeated fundraising requests from NO. The EC would like to see an update on fundraising from Andy Scobie. The logo designed by the Ballards was admired and approved by the EC.	
		2.2 Serventy House proposal – response to BGPA Update provided by PN and MB. BGPA require more information than has been provided, and are willing to work with the WA Naturalists Club and BWA to improve the application. The next board meeting is February 25- there are concerns the project may become unaffordable for BWA. The response to Mark Webb (CEO of BGPA) should be from both the Nats Club and BWA. Regarding rental costs to BWA, if the current proposal goes ahead BWA would receive a lease period of 2-5 years at 50% commercial rent (government approved rent for NGOs \$100/sqm a month, for ~100 sqm). In the short term for the first 5 years, money will be saved on rent. It was noted the current BWA lease is due to expire shortly, with an option to sign again for another 2 years.	raised by Mark Webb
		A discussion on the use of the remaining Holmes a Court funds. It is not specified specifically what it should be used on- it has been used primarily for staffing purposes in the past and proposed for lapses in the budget for the current project manager, but it must be used for Carnaby's Cockatoos. It was noted it would be nice to use the funds on an actual conservation effort, or	amount remaining of Holmes a Court funds with SM, and meet with Tegan Douglas and Helen Bryant to discuss recommendations for spending remaining funds.
			standard letter from

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		2.6 Bird week/Open Day- review SW has contacted Stephanie from the Urban Bushland Council, which is a good bridging organisation to liaise with many 'friends' organisations for Bird Week 2016. SW to attend meetings. FO'C suggested coordinating as many surveys for the Australian Backyard Bird Count with friends groups and schools instead of an open day for bird week. It has also been suggested to team up with the friends of Bold Park up for a combined open day at Kings Park. PN noted an advertising budget would be required. FO'C suggested contacting friends groups directly- sending BWA volunteer to various 'friends' areas to help conduct surveys. SW noted she has been meaning to investigate online advertisements and their costs. Proposal: SW proposed BWA becoming a member of the Urban Bushland Council, formally accepted by the EC. 2.7. Swan River Trust funding (Kim Onton) - Mike. Mike has contacted Kim. 2.8 Channel 7 video - Mark The Herdsman video received reach of ~1.1K people on the BWA Facebook page. KN and SW noted that videos and photography posts always perform well on the BWA Facebook page.	previous projects. SM to contact Jess Lee.
3.0	Treasurer's Report	Motion: That the committee approve the accounts as presented to end of October 2015 Tabled Moved: Frank O'Connor; Seconded: Kathryn Napier 3.1 Holmes a Court donation – Mike; email from Sue re VMAs in Cockatoo nest sites attached and request from Threatened Species Commissioner for assistance post the Esperance fires for WGP aural monitoring units, email attached. 3.2 National office contributions – emails circulated from Graham and Frank	3.1 MB to contact Friends of WGP and Sarah Comer to discuss what support would be most helpful. FO'C noted
		3.3 Investments and JB Were – emails circulated from Graham and Frank 3.4 Finance committee - Graham It was noted a Finance Committee would be extremely useful, however, it has proven very hard to staff.	3.4 FO'C to make an
4.0	Correspondence In	4.1 DPaW - invitation to comment on Horizontal Falls draft management plan, attached 4.2 Various emails from Friends of Attadale Park re proposed mesh	
. .	Commostrati	fencing at Alfred Cove – only one attached as large files.	
5.0	Correspondence Out	5.1 David Mathias – thank-you for donation of books to library 5.2 Minister Albert Jacob – GCC2016 funding thank-you	
		5.3 Christmas cards 2016	
		5.4 Brian Boulton - thank-you Christmas card and gift of calendar	

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		Points of Discussion/Details (motions/decisions in italicised type) GW noted previous greater interaction between EC and Committees. MB noted a need to formally meet with members of committees and improve communication between committees and EC. 6.1 Bird Guides – request from Pam Agar to increase fee charged to councils for bird guides and \$197 requested to purchase a second Adobe license – emails already circulated. SM indicates Pam Agar is on top of bird guides, and to proceed with her recommendations. SW approved Pam's request. Noted a means to formally minute email discussions is required. 6.2 Community Education – minutes of November meeting tabled, see attachments 6.3 Research – Faure Island and Dampier Salt reports tabled, see attachments 6.4 Submissions & Advocacy – 6.5 Country Branches – 6.6 Shorebirds 2020 – Reported by Helen Bryant- Grant application, led by Bruce Greatwich, has been submitted to The Gorgon Barrow Island Net Conservation Benefits (NCB) fund. 6.7 Conservation Council of WA – member group survey completed by Graham on behalf of BirdLife WA 6.8 O H & S – 6.9 Sales – new card order has been delivered; two new designs for sales – Hooded Plover and Western Rosella. Christmas card and calendar sales going well, less than 40 calendars remain in the office and some still with Robyn Pickering 6.10 Library – Cathy continues with cataloguing recent acquisitions and donations. Recent acquisitions included in recent edition of WA eNews – list attached 6.11 Excursions – 6.12 Publications – 6.13 Hooded Plover – 6.14 WGP – 6.15 GWW Committee – minutes of November meeting and notes on informal October meeting tabled, see attachments. Update by MH- noted problems getting leaders for surveys (leaders are responsible for logistics, filling out forms). The GWW Committee requests approval from EC for advocacy strategy by GWW committee to join Wilderness Society for Helena Aurora Range. Support is given by the EC for BWA to support (use of logo, etc) provided solid, scientific arguments are behi	rame	_	uirec	d and 1	Гітє
		campaign. 6.16 Office – new volunteers, Xmas lunch, international visitors – report attached 6.17 Photogroup – 6.18 Events – Festival of Birds Albany – Community Education Committee have 5 school visits booked in. \$1000 requested, and approved.		SW	to	send	KN

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		6.20 Bird Observatories -	instructions on how to join photogroup.			
7.0	Projects	MB noted meeting with threatened species commissioner with Tegan Douglas and Helen Bryant. See comments on item 3.1. 7.1 Project Manager – Update circulated by Helen Bryant. Helen Bryant tabled a summary of the current projects and applications for funds. She agreed to present a report to a future meeting early in 2016 setting	r			
		out the detailed funding of each Branch project going forward. Approval is requested to employ Robyn Pickering for a further 4 days' work in January to cover the work required prior to the CBC Project Coordinator joining (see item 7.3). Proposal: Approved by the EC via email 17/12/2015. Suggested funding is made available from Holmes a Court Funds, pending action from item 2.3.	1			
		7.2 Forest Black-Cockatoo "Cockies in Crisis" Project – Delegation of signing powers re this project being investigated by Paul and Mike.	1			
		7.3 GCC 2016 – \$30,000 secured from Minister for Environment, position for 12 months about to be advertised. Perpetual Impact grant application has been completed and submitted for GCC 2017. Outcome will not be known until June 2016. New issue of Cocky Notes prepared for dispatch. TD has also been scheduling workshops in anticipation of the arrival of the CBC Project Coordinator.	1			
		7.4 Bitterns – Surveys being done by volunteers Robyn Pickering, Deb Sullivan and John Graff primarily using the BirdLife song meters on sites on the Swan Coastal Plain and South Coast (Cape Arid to Albany).				
		7.5 GWW – Final report needs to be formally sign-off by NO.				
		7.6 Future funding – request from Graham for an update See item 2.1				
		7.7 Representation on cockatoo recovery teams -				
		7.8 IBA – 7.9 Rottnest – February survey advertised in December edition of WABN places filling quickly	,			
		7.10 Perth Peel Strategic Assessment Briefing TD, Ken Monson, Bob Patterson and HB to attend pre-briefing strategic with the threatened species commissioner (BWA approached as key stakeholder).	e			
8.0	Other Business	8.1 AOC Students Sponsored – both gave great talks at the conference and very appreciative of the grants and willing to give talks at a monthly meeting – feedback from Sue Mather				
		8.2 Meeting with Cr Mark Irwin, City of Stirling - Mark, email with details	S			

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		of participants attached			
		 8.3 New book from Simon Neville – the result of 12 months taking photos around WA. He is offering them to be sold by BirdLife WA on consignment for \$45 (RRP \$55) with \$15 for BirdLife and \$30 going to Simon. 8.4 2016 meeting dates – circulated by Annette 8.5 Lease – Peregrine House lease expires 30 June 2016 – Graham 8.6 2016 award nominations - Graham 			
9.0	Business arising	9.1 Chair/Equipment/Office for General Meeting Monday 18 January 2016 (week earlier due to Australia Day) Chair to be determined. Guest Speaker: Brice Wells, Chair of BWA Community Education Committee "Kingfishers". Next Committee Meeting: Monday, January 11 2016			
		Meeting closed 2045 hrs.			