



Minutes of Willunga Farmers Market Annual General Meeting

**Tuesday 24 September 2019
Willunga Town Hall - Willunga**

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Meeting opened at **7:00pm** by Pip Forrester, Chairperson

Welcome: The Chair gave thanks to all Board members and market members attending.

Present:

S Scown, E Tancibudek, Family Blanksby, Tony Washington, Pip Forrester, Rob Kolencik, Vicki Osland, Geoff Hayter, Patti Greethead, Lucy O'Connell, Tess Sapia, Desmond Ford, Mark Dayman, Geri Malone, Yvette van Berkel, Colin Carpenter, Norma Loza, Di Bickford, Katerina Bickford, Julie Cavanagh, Richard Bennett, Jenni Mitton, Chelsea Holmes, Glenn Fitzpatrick, Michael Taylor, Chris & Bridgett Day, Catriona & John Byrne, Lena Janzen, Kerrie McNeill, Meg Dickson, Dudley & Linda Corbett

Guest: Glen Hickling

Apologies:

Allie & Paul Reynolds, Jill Stone, Fran Boag, Chris Duffy & Emily Salkeld, John Edmeades, Stuart McPherson, Jake Fowler, Vicki Matchett, Erin Coleman, Billy Doeke, Michael Lewis, Megan Sherry, Ian East, Jenny Phelps & David Cavanagh

Minutes of AGM held on 26 September 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Steve Scown

Seconded: Rob Kolencik

All in favour

Chairperson's report: See attached. Tabled.

Treasurer's report: See attached. Tabled.

Geoff Hayter moved that we accept the auditor's report.

Seconded: Catriona Byrne

All in favour

General Manager's Report: See attached. Tabled

Board Community Nominees:

The following nominees gave a brief introduction of themselves for the position of Community Board member:

Desmond Ford

Patti Greethead

Vicki Osland

Yvette van Berkel

Voting took place and returning officer retired to tally the votes

Guest Presentations:**Chris Day & Bridgett Toner – Cockatoo Creek Farm**

2018/9 Willunga Farmers Market Scholarship Recipients

Chris and Bridgett gave an interesting talk about their progress and milestones achieved over the past few months detailing the steps taken which have been financed by the award. Their products are grass fed lamb, olive oil and garlic.

- Milestone 1 - Purchase 20 pregnant breeding ewes and they have purchased 28 to date
- Milestone 2 - Purchase trailer for cool room and stock transport
- Milestone 3 – Plant trial plot of various garlic types
- Milestone 4 – Propagation nursery / poly tunnel (fruit trees and herbs)
- Milestone 5 – Start trading at Willunga Farmers Market

Their first market day is Saturday 16 November and they plan to initially attend the 3rd week of each month thereafter.

Chris and Bridgett also gave their thanks and appreciation to the following mentors who have helped them and provided advise and support.

- Ben Ryan - Deep Creek Organics: Holistic Land Management & Regenerative Farming mentor and sheep husbandry skills
- Annemarie Brookman - The Food Forest: Small Farm Management and Entering the Marketplace
- Chelsea Holmes - Small Business / Financial Adviser

Geoff Hayter – McLaren Vale BioDiversity Project

Geoff gave a talk about the McLaren Vale BioDiversity Project which started after a discussion between Jock Harvey and Geoff who both have environmental interests in the region.

The project aims to remove feral vegetation from selected creek lines and roadsides within the Willunga Basin, to replace these weeds with endemic species and maintain those plantings through their establishment phase. They work in a landscape scale, creating corridor linkages to, and working on, areas of significant remnant vegetation.

The organisation have a pool of volunteers who join the monthly Field Days / Working Bees on the first Sunday of the month from 09:00 to 11:00am. A small committee meets monthly to work through the business of the organization and ensure that the Field Day programme is on-track.

The McLaren Biodiversity Project (MVBP) is a joint initiative of community (Friends of Willunga Basin), Government (NRM) and industry, represented by those willing to put in and make a difference.

Election Results:

The scrutineer Glenn Hickling tabled the voting results which were announced as follows:

Elected to Community Member Positions:

The new elected Board members are Vicki Osland and Yvette van Berkel

The Chair welcomed the newly elected members and thanked Desmond and Patti for their interest and contribution to Willunga Farmers Market.

Meeting closed at

The next board meeting with the new Board members was scheduled for
Wed 16 October 2019, 6:00pm at the WFM Offices.

Signature: _____

Chairperson:

PIP FORRESTER