

Coordinating Committee Meeting Monday 7th February 2022 7-30 pm Minutes

Present on-line: John Brannan (Convenor), Warren Bond, Mike Hall, Len Taylor, Anne Aisbett

1. Apologies

Alana Wilkes, Denise Hall.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting / Business Arising

It was moved by Mike and seconded by John that the Minutes of the Coordinating Committee meeting held on 22nd November 2021 be accepted as a true and fair record of that meeting. Agreed.

a. Consideration of Actions carried forward from previous meetings:

20212211: Item 3 Correspondence in and out

Action: Len to contact Marty or the Northside Ranger regarding use of a reel for handing fencing wire.

Not required. The fencing has been completed.

20212211: Item 10 Molonglo Watermain Revegetation

Action: John to discuss with John Fitz Gerald plans for Area 1 including seeding and weed control.

Pending.

20212211: Item 12 Other business

Action: John to draft new brochures and forward to PCS.

Pending. To be carried over to the next meeting as a priority.

Action: John to request design specifications and other guidance on interpretive signs from PCS, and information on any plans that they have for signage.

Pending.

Carried over from past meetings:

210208: Item 13 AGM

Action: Warren to clarify issues around our eligibility for the ".org" domain and take any necessary steps.

Completed. Warren reported that after further enquiries the requirements for continuing with a domain ending in ".org.au" were going to be too difficult for us to meet and maintain. He decided instead to purchase the newly available "fotpin.au" domain name. This will become active on 24 March. For some months afterward traffic from fotpin.org.au will be automatically forwarded to the new domain.

b. Inclusion of maps and other sensitive items in the Minutes.

After some discussion, it was agreed that while there may be some sensitive items that should not be included in the Minutes, these items will be identified by the committee on a case-by-case

basis. More generally, members were entitled to access information about fotpin, including how the money provided to it is spent; and information in the Minutes is not easily found on the website by chance. A suggestion from Mike to include a password-protected section of the website for use by members only was rejected by Warren as difficult to implement and inappropriate for maintaining a long-term archive of Committee business, given the risk of the password being lost if there were to be a lapse of the Committee for any reason.

In the case of the map in question from the November2021 meeting, it was agreed to include it in the Minutes, but also to provide some protection for the mapped seed sites with warning signs posted on their fences.

Action: John to work with Len to produce laminated signs for the seed sites.

3. Correspondence in and out (Attachment A)

Noted.

Business arising (other than that to be dealt with under other items):

None.

4. Convenor's Report (Attachment B)

John had previously circulated his report. The main topics included:

- The January storm damage and clean-up in the Pinnacle, including:
- New benches at the Dungowan St entrance, crafted by the FMU out of storm-felled trees.
- Molonglo Watermain re-vegetation.
- Weed management in the reserve.
- The proposed creation of Hawker Community Garden. Fotpin have been approached to hold a fotpin stall during the Garden's Open Day Market on February 27th. John will email fotpin members calling for volunteers for the stall.

John reported verbally on other items not included in the report:

- Concerns within the Ginninderra Catchment Group about the micro-forests currently being planted by TCCS in Hawker and elsewhere. Issues raised included the ecological value of the forests and accountability issues.
- The date for submissions into the Legislative Assembly's enquiry into environmental volunteering has passed without fotpin providing a submission. It was noted that another report into similar matters has recently been released.
- Landcare ACT will be running a "wellbeing through nature" project, and John has offered the Pinnacle as a possible site for this project.
- ACT Girl Guides have requested a guided walk in the Pinnacle. John will arrange this.

Len queried whether the funding for the pipeline revegetation had come through. John confirmed that it had and was available to spend; and will consider how to include this in the fotpin accounts.

Report noted. John will send an update to fotpin members including these and other issues.

5. Treasurer's Report (Attachment C)

Mike had previously circulated the report for the period 19 November 2021 to 6 February 2022. Warren moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted; seconded John; Agreed.

6. Membership Report

Warren had previously circulated his report. He reported that our current membership is 108, an increase of two since the last meeting. The number of other people who have requested to be on the email lists increased by four to 214, making the total number of people on the email lists at 322.

7. Weed Management

Warren had previously circulated his report. Weeding effort in the last 3 months (November to January) has been limited by volunteer availability as well as the weather. There are more weeds than can be handled at present. The priority is St John's Wort, particularly in areas with higher numbers and quantity of native forb and grass species. A total of 232 hours was achieved for these 3 months, 9% less than last season and 15% less than the average of the previous five seasons. 23% of this effort was spent in the Weetangera paddock (9% of the Reserve area) and 77% in the rest of the Reserve.

The main weed dealt with was St. John's Wort (150 h; 65% of effort) followed by Verbascum (25 h; 11% of effort) and Thistles (20 h; 9% of effort).

The summary of weed control <u>effort for the 2021-2022 season</u> up to the end of December has been added to the website.

8. Information and Outreach

a. Website

Warren had previously circulated his report. There were no significant additions to the website in the last 3 months and not much progress on migrating the website to mobile-friendly, with other fotpin activities dominating Warren's time.

The number of unique visitors in the 3 months since November 1st has averaged 213 per month, 23% less than the previous 3 month period but identical to the corresponding period last year. Interest in walking pages reduced considerably between October and November, but the 3 month average is still more than double the pre-covid level.

"Newsletters" (113 unique views) was the most sought after page on our site in that period, followed by the walking track map page (93 unique views), "About the Pinnacle" (64 unique views), "Plants of the Pinnacle" (48 unique views), the "Verbascum at 5-ways" analysis page (46 unique views), "Aerial imagery history" (38 unique views), the "Flora & Fauna" page (34 unique views), the "Walking home page" (34 unique views), "About fotpin" (30 unique views) and the mobile-friendly track map page (24 unique views).

b. Social Media

Denise reported after the meeting that there were 376 likes on the facebook page and 107 followers on Instagram.

9. Events Program

As indicated in the Convenor's written and oral reports, upcoming events may include:

- The proposed stall at the Hawker Community Garden Open Day Market.
- A walk organized for the Girl Guides.
- The Hawker Primary School fete John will confirm with Hawker Primary School if this will be going ahead this year.

- An Autumn bird walk, at a date yet to be decided.
- A visit by the Canberra Ornithologists Group (COG) in May.

10. Molonglo Watermain Revegetation

This had largely been covered in Item 4 Convenor's report. Warren questioned what was happening in the middle section (Area 2). John will follow this up.

Action: John to follow-up with Tim Berriman regarding revegetation in Area 2.

11. Weetangera Groundcover Revegetation Project Report (Attachment D)

Len had circulated his report before the meeting. Len noted that in site 1, it was considered too late in the season for sowing with microlaena, and the seeds will be saved for autumn sowing. The northern part of Site 1 was also suitable for themeda tube stock. The replacement of the fence at Site 2 is now completed, and the microlaena coverage is now acceptable, with some sorrel weed invasion. Seed germination at Site 3 was extremely poor, probably due to the use of light mulch, which has now been removed.

12. Other Business

(a) Use of exclosures

John Fitz Gerald had suggested spraying out the weeds in the valley track exclosure so that it can be used as a seed hub There was some discussion around the benefits and costs of removing some of the exclosures. John agreed that only a few need to be kept, but that nothing will be done in the immediate future.

(b) New brochures

This was discussed under Item 2a. John will deal with this as a priority. Warren will send John an updated track map, and it was agreed that the track at the bottom of the Central Track will be named Squatter's Track in acknowledgement of the history of that part of the Reserve.

(c) Proposal for Interpretive signage

This was discussed under Item 2a. John will consult about this with Lauren.

13. Proposed date for next meeting.

The AGM is scheduled for mid-May and it was agreed that we should plan for an in-person meeting at this stage. The next Committee meeting will be held immediately before it as has been past practice.

The suggested date is Sunday 15th May.

Meeting closed at 9-20pm.

Anne Aisbett Fotpin Secretary 10 February 2022

Attachment A. Summary of Major Items of Correspondence since November 2021 meeting

ParkCare

From	To (if specific)	Date	Subject
Marty Bajt		22 nd November	Restoration Demonstrations
John Brannan	Marty Bajt	22 nd November	Re: Wire guards
Lauren McQueen for Lisa Testoni		22 nd November	VisitorAssist & WildlifeAssist Update
Waltroud Pix	John Brannan	23 rd November	St John's Wort situation at Pinnacle
John Brannan	Waltroud Pix	23 rd November	Re: St John's Wort situation at Pinnacle
Lauren McQueen		25 th November	ParkCare End of Year Celebration
Lauren McQueen		26 th November	Safety Alert: Euphorbia Plants (Milkweed/Spurges)
John Brannan	Lauren McQueen	26 th November	Re: Safety Alert: Euphorbia Plants (Milkweed/Spurges
Marty Bajt		29 th November	Ecological - Prescribed Burning Consultation.
Lauren McQueen		29 th November	ChemCert Training - December Dates available
Marty Bajt		30 th November	Water Cube Refilling – too wet for tanker
Chris Evans		30 th November	Re: SI Tree donation update – request for information on progress
John Brannan	Chris Evans	30 th November	Re: SI Tree donation update – progress update
Julia Raine		4 th December	St John's Wort refresher and decision tree from Steve Taylor
Lauren McQueen		5 th December	International Volunteer Day 2021
Marty Bajt		7 th December	St John's Wort refresher and decision tree from Steve Taylor
Lauren McQueen		8 th December	ParkCare end of year celebration
Marty Bajt	John Brannan	8 th December	Water cube relocation
John Brannan	Marty Bajt	8 th December	Thanks for water cube relocation
Lauren McQueen		13 th December	Images needed for ACT Parks Website
John Brannan	Marty Bajt	14 th December	Are tool belts still available
Marty Bajt	John Brannan	14 th December	Prescribed burn implementation
Lauren McQueen		7 th January	Parkcare update: weather; COVID-19 and check-in codes; schedules
Lauren McQueen		13 th January	ParkCare Patch Quarterly Meetings scheduled

Lauren McQueen		13 th January	ParkCare Patch Quarterly Meetings scheduled — correction
John Brannan	Lauren McQueen	13 th January	Re Quarterly Meetings — venue
Lauren McQueen	John Brannan	13 th January	Re Quarterly Meetings — venue
Lauren McQueen		27 th January	Updated Check-In CBR Code for your ParkCare Patch Group
John Brannan	Lauren McQueen	31 st January	Thanks for updated Check-In CBR Code for your ParkCare Patch Group
Marty Bajt		3 rd February	St John's Wort weed control

Marty Bajt: ParkCare Ranger:

Chris Evans: RangerAssist Coordinator Julia Raine: Friends of Mulligans Flat Waltraud Pix: Friends of Mt Majura

Lisa Testoni: Director, Volunteers and Visitor Experience, PCS

Lauren McQueen: Volunteer Programs Manager, PCS.

PCS Rangers

From	To (if specific)	Date	Subject
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	14 th December	Track erosion at the Pinnacle
Len Taylor	Kelzang Tshering	22 nd December	Tree blocking Springvale track
Kelzang Tshering	Len Taylor	23 rd December	Re: Tree blocking Springvale track
Kelzang Tshering	John Brannan	23 rd December	Re: track erosion and work report
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	23 rd December	Thanks
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	23 rd December	Another tree, on the Macrorhyncha Track
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	29 th December	Another tree on Valley track
Kelzang Tshering	John Brannan	30 th December	Re: another tree and work report
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	7 th January	Unusual request re fallen trees
Kelzang Tshering	John Brannan	8 th January	Re: unusual request; damage on the
			Pinnacle from severe storm
John Brannan	Kelzang Tshering	8 th January	Where log is to be set up
Len Taylor	Kelzang Tshering	27 th January	Broken fence in Weetangera paddock
John Brennan	Kelzang Tshering	28 th January	Repair work at Pinnacle
Len Taylor	Kelzang Tshering	29 th January	Paddock locks bypassed by Icon water
John Brennan	Kelzang Tshering	31 st January	Sourcing plants for planting day
Kelzang Tshering	Len Taylor	1 st Feburary	Re: paddock locks
Warren Bond	Kelzang Tshering	2 nd February	More Starane for St. John's Wort spraying

Kelzang Tshering	Warren Bond	3 rd February	Re: More Starane for St. John's Wort spraying
Warren Bond	Kelzang Tshering	3 rd February	Re: More Starane for St. John's Wort spraying

Kym Birgan, Michelle Ralph: Senior Ranger, Northside (shared) Kelzang Tshering: District Ranger, Belconnen Hills reserves

Ginninderra Catchment Group

From	To (if specific)	Date	Subject
Landcare		23 rd November	GCG turns 25 Xmas Party
Kathryn McGilp		23 rd November	Re: GCG 2021 AGM and Xmas Party
Kathryn McGilp		24 th November	Reminder re submissions on proposed
			development at Lawson Grasslands
Kathryn McGilp		28 th November	Research Project - Health Benefits of
			Murrumbidgee River Corridor
Kathryn McGilp		30 th November	GCG Executive committee nominations
Kathryn McGilp		30 th November	GCG AGM and Anniversary reminder
Kathryn McGilp		2 nd December	GCG AGM Xmas party reminder
Kathryn McGilp		3 rd December	GCG AGM 2021 Agenda and previous
			minutes
John Brannan	Kathryn McGilp	3 rd December	Apologies for AGM
Kathryn McGilp		3 rd December	GCG 2021 AGM minutes and recordings
Kathryn McGilp	John Brannan	10 th December	Person interested in joining fotpin
John Brannan	Kathryn McGilp	10 th December	Re: Person interested in joining fotpin
Karissa Preuss	John Brannan	20 th December	Expanded Members Council meeting notes
			and next meeting date
Kathryn McGilp		14 th January	ACT Legislative Inquiry into Environmental
			Volunteering
Kathryn McGilp		26 th January	GCG General Meeting - February 2022
Kathryn McGilp		26 th January	GCG General Meeting - February 2022
			changed
Kathryn McGilp		26 th January	Meeting Invite Error
Kathryn McGilp		31st th January	Plants for groups — please provide details
			of needs for ordering
Kathryn McGilp		1 st February	Call for speakers for the 2022 National
			Landcare Conference

Kathryn McGilp		1 st February	GCG General Meeting - February 2022 changed
Kathryn McGilp		2 nd February	GCG General Meeting agenda and previous minutes
Kathryn McGilp		3 rd February	Re: GCG General Members Meeting - Monday 7th February — now online only
Kathryn McGilp		3 rd February	Rogaining events - Canberra Reserves
John Brannan	Kathryn McGilp	3 rd February	Re: Rogaining events - Canberra Reserves

Kathryn McGilp: Catchment Coordinator Karissa Preuss: CEO, Landcare ACT

Miscellaneous

From	To (if specific)	Date	Subject
Luke Sartor	fotpin	22 nd November	Scar on tree
Warren Bond	Luke Sartor	22 nd November	Re: Scar on tree
Kim Harris		22 nd November	Weetangera Watermain Rehabilitation meeting
Sandra McCabe	fotpin	23 rd November	Button wrinklewort
Warren Bond	Sandra McCabe	23 rd November	Re: Button wrinklewort
John Brannan	Sandra McCabe	23 rd November	Re: Button wrinklewort
Kim Harris		24 th November	Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup
Michelle Ralph		24 th November	Re: Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup — seeding lower side
Kim Harris	Michelle Ralph	24 th November	Re: Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup — seeding lower side
John Brannan	Developments DHA	25 th November	Proposed development on Lawson Grassland
Elisa Rodriguez	John Brannan	25 th November	Re: Proposed development on Lawson Grassland
Sandra McCabe	John Brannan	25 th November	Re: Button wrinklewort is actually Scaly Button
John Brannan	Sandra McCabe	25 th November	Re: Button wrinklewort is actually Scaly Button
Toss Gascoigne		26 th November	Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve

John Brannan	Kim Harris	26 th November	Re: Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup — concerns
John Fitz Gerald	John Brennan	26 th November	Re: Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup — more concerns
John Brannan	John Fitz Gerald	26 th November	Re: Molonglo Watermain Site Walk Actions Markup — more concerns
Mike Sim	Toss Gascoigne	26 th November	Re: Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve
John Brannan	Toss Gascoigne	27 th November	Re: Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve – some suggestions
Waltroud Pix	Toss Gascoigne	27 th November	Re: Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve – some suggestions
John Fitz Gerald	John Brannan	1 st December	Lack of response from Calibre and Friday meeting on-site
John Brannan	John Fitz Gerald	1 st December	Re: Lack of response from Calibre and Friday meeting on-site
Sarah Hnatiuk	Toss Gascoigne	1 st December	Re: Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve – some suggestions
Waltroud Pix	Toss Gascoigne	2 nd December	Re: Recommendations for plants on Mt Pleasant Reserve – some suggestions
Gully Coote	John Brannan	2 nd December	Re: Proposed development on Lawson Grasslands – acknowledgement of response
John Brannan	Veronica, Catherine	9 th December	Fotpin update including planting day write- up and thanks
Toss Gascoigne		14 th December	Euphorbia warning and factsheet
Christine Coghlan	fotpin	16 th December	Kama car park and William Hovell Drive extension
Warren Bond	Christine Coghlan	16 th December	Re: Kama car park and William Hovell Drive extension
John Brannan		20 th December	Congratulations to John and Lesley for volunteer awards
Jo Clay	John Brannan	22 nd December	Putting congratulations to John and Lesley on Facebook
Frances Knight	John Brannan	1 st February	Hawker community garden: request for fotpin booth at Open Day Market and call for volunteers
John Brannan	Frances Knight	1 st February	Re Hawker community garden open day
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Michelle Ralph (Née Nairn): A/Ranger in Charge, Canberra Nature Park – North

Luke Sartor: Member of the public

Kim Harris: Senior Project Officer, Major Projects Canberra Elisa Rodriguez: Marketing Officer, Services Group DHA Toss Gascoigne: Visiting Fellow, Centre for the Public Awareness of Science, ANU

Mike Sim: Convenor, Isaacs Ridge Mount Mugga Mugga ParkCare group

Waltraud Pix: Friends of Mt Majura Sarah Hnatiuk: Friends of Mt Painter

Gully Coote: Development Manager, Defence Housing Australia

Veronica: Soroptimist International Catherine: Soroptimist International Christine Coghlan: Member of the public Jo Clay: ACT Greens Member for Ginninderra Sandra McCabe: Member of the public

Frances Knight: Hawker resident

Attachment B Convenor's Report

February 2022

We've certainly had an interesting few months since my last report. The storm cell that swept through Belconnen and Gungahlin in early January left a trail of destruction that many residents are still dealing with. Many people lost power, some for several days, while falling trees resulted in blocked roads, driveways and tracks, along with damaged cars and smashed roofs. The damage in the reserve included the massive Red Stringybark at the summit of the Pinnacle, which was completely downed, and a large section of the ancient gum tree at the end of Dungowan St in Hawker, as well as dozens if not hundreds of other trees around the reserve. To their credit, the SES were quick to respond, clearing most of the blocked roads in short order, although the full cleanup of roadsides is ongoing, with the assistance of the Parks and Conservation Service Fire Management Unit (FMU). Our Ranger Kelzang was left to deal with most of the blocked tracks on the reserve, receiving some help from the FMU with the really big trees.,. Even so, there are still people with downed trees in their gardens that are yet to be cleared, such was the extent of the damage. However, there was one silver lining to this particular cloud, as described below.



Uprooted Red Stringybark on the Pinnacle summit



Damaged eucalypt at the Dungowan St entrance

The other positive aspect to the abundant rainfall this summer has been an excellent season for native grasses and wildflowers. A prolific orchid season was followed by huge outbreaks of flowering native daises and lilies. The latter include Yellow Rush Lily (*Tricoryne elatior*), Golden Weather-grass (*Hypoxis hygrometrica*), Chocolate Lily (*Arthropodium fimbriatum*) and Common Fringe Lily (*Thysanotus tuberosus*).





Yellow Rush Lily

Common Fringe Lily

1. New Benches on Dungowan St

A few days after the storm, as I was looking at the downed trees near the reserve entrance on Dungowan St, I was approached by Wayne Hoy, a long-time fotpin member who lives just a few doors down from the reserve entrance. He pointed to the downed eucalypts on the northern side of the road and wondered whether a section from the trunk of one of the trees might not serve as a nice bench where reserve users could sit and look out across to the distant Brindabellas. It seemed to me to be an inspired idea, particularly since that spot is now used by local residents for their annual Christmas Carols evening. So I emailed our trusty PCS ranger Kelzang with the request, including a map showing where the proposed bench should go. At the time, I knew how absolutely flat-out all the crews were with the job of clearing away the storm debris, so my expectations were fairly low. But the eventual outcome far outstripped anything I could've hoped for, as these images show. Needless to say, I am hugely grateful to the hard-working FMU crew for taking the time to shape and set up these seats and to Kelzang for making it happen, as well as to the estimable Wayne for suggesting it in the first place. One further positive outcome is that the mulch from the cleared trees in that area will be used to aid the revegetation work happening in the Icon water tanks compound off Springvale Drive.



The new seats being put to good use



The artists' mark

2. Molonglo Watermain Revegetation

As outlined in previous reports, fotpin is now responsible for ongoing weed management and revegetation along the top section of watermain corridor, using funding we have received from the ACT government to manage weeds and maintain a supply of native grass and forb seed to use in future revegetation work.

This process began in late November with a planting in the Icon water tanks compound, as described in the previous Update, and plans for autumn sowings of native grasses and forbs are still being formulated. This is quite an exciting opportunity to significantly improve the ecological values of the areas concerned and to establish islands of native grasses and forbs that will, with a little care, have a positive ecological impact on the surrounding vegetation communities. I would be very interested in hearing from anyone interested in helping out with this project.

3. Weed Management

This summer has been a particularly challenging time for weed control. It became obvious early on that St Johns Wort was going to have a big year, but the same was also true of Verbascum and thistles. This led to us take a targeted approach to weed control, focusing on areas of high conservation value, since attempting to cover the entire reserve is simply beyond our capacity in a year like this. Our weeding teams have been working hard to stay on top of the weeds, clocking up 232 hours of effort in the last 3 months. The majority of this (65%) was devoted to controlling St Johns Wort, either by spraying or hand-pulling. (Go here for a summary of the weed control effort for the 2021-2022 season up to the end of December.) The fact that this has still left large swathes of wort untouched is a testament to just how prolific this year has been. Our ranger Kelzang tells me that he may still be able to prevent seed set by slashing and collecting the wort in some of the most heavily infested areas. He had planned to send in contractors to spray those areas, but those plans were disrupted by the storm and by a COVID outbreak among the contractors that sidelined a number of teams just as they were ready to begin. I am still optimistic that the efforts of our weeding teams and Kelzang will prevent at least some of the wort from setting seed this year.

4. Hawker Community Garden

Some of you may be aware of this initiative by a local volunteer group. Their plan is to set up a community garden in one of the relatively unused car parks opposite Hawker shops. They are holding an Open Day Market on February 27th to raise interest and awareness of the project and have invited fotpin to set up a display stall at the market. (Stay tuned for an email calling for volunteers to help staff the stall.) This event will include a demonstration build of the wicking vegie beds, which will be run as a training session for the actual building day. The Open Day Market will be followed by other opportunities to get involved from March onwards:

Building the Community Garden

Date: 5 & 6th March 2022

Activity: Constructing wicking beds on the first day and planting out on the second day. This will be run as a volunteer activity open to the local community to engage as widely as possible.

Shade strip (western edge) A

Date: 12 & 13th March 2022

Activity: Setting up garden beds and digging holes for future tree planting along the western edge to improve the amenity and heat reduction of the site.

Shade strip (western edge) B

Date: Winter 2022 (June-July)

Activity: Planting bare-rooted deciduous trees in prepared holes in the western edge gardens.

If you're interested in getting involved, you can contact me or email Frances directly at hotbluepetal@hotmail.com.

5. Upcoming Events

- Hawker Primary School Fete -- TBC
- Autumn bird walk TBC

John Brannan 6 February, 2022

Attachment C Treasurer's Report

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the period 19 November 2021 to 6 February 2022

Opening balance on 19 November 2021 \$2,251.32 Receipts Bank Interest credit 30 Nov 2021 \$0.10 \$0.10 **Payments** \$0.40 Bank Charge – Batch Pmt Fees 30 Nov 2021 \$0.40 Surplus/deficit of receipts over payments -\$0.30 Closing balance on 6 February 2022 \$2,251.02 Reconciled to: "Beyond Bank" Account 03356841 \$2,068.67 \$182.35 Petty Cash \$2,251.02 Total \$2,251.02 Other Liabilities Nil \$0

Notes:

 Total value of all funds held and administered for Fotpin by Ginninderra Catchment Group as at 22 April 2021: \$7,442.52 (Confirmed 14 April 2021, Julian Low, GCG Finance Officer).
 This amount consists of \$142.73 (residual of ACT Heritage Grant), \$7,205.73 (Labor Club Grant) and \$94.06 (Group Account).

\$2,251.02

2. \$1,300 of the funds held in the Fotpin Beyond Bank account are a donation from the Harden-Murrumburrah Landcare Group to be spent on interpretative signage.

Financial position at 6 February 2022

Attachment D Weetangera Groundcover Revegetation Project Progress Report

Fencing

The steel mesh fence, replacing the deteriorating plastic fence, at site 2 is now up and both steel fences are doing their job of keeping out grazers

Direct Seeding

Although the intention was to sow microlaena at site 1 by the time we had the fence erected we decided that it was too late in the season to sow them. The northern part of site 1 was also suitable for the themeda tube stock we intended to germinate. The remaining microlaena seeds are saved until the autumn sowing. Unfortunately the site was overrun by various weeds which we will continue to deal with.

Now that the weeds have largely been removed from site 2 the microlaena coverage is acceptable. More work will be needed to stop the sorrel invasion.

The germination at site 3 was extremely poor and a waste of seeds and effort put into it. I received advice from Greening Australia and John Fitzgerald that it was almost certain that it was due to my use of light mulch, which at the time was put on because of the likely dry period. The mulch was removed after getting the advice.

Tube Stock Germination.

Of the are 40 Wallaby grass 20 wild Sorghum and 8 Hardenbergia tubes still not germinated at the last report only the following grew.

- 7 Wallaby old seeds
- 1 Sorghum seeds collected Feb 1920 so probably not correct germination technique
- 1 Hardenbergia I probably miss-handled the soaked seeds.

Tube Stock Planted

109 themeda tube stock and a sorghum tube stock were planted at site 1 A further 4 potted themeda from the vegetable garden have been planted at site 1.

7 Wallaby, 6 purple wire grass and 2 blue bell have been planted in a patch of very poor soil. This is largely a trial as it is in the same soil in which spear grass had a high failure rate.