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Present	Leigh Warneminde	Tony Gibson	Edwin Hammet	Stephanie Phillips
	Gay Gibson	Peter Brown	Joan Brown	Fred Furlonger
	Anne Jericho	Janette Wallis	Susan Richards	

Apologies	Barbara Henderson	Linese Norrish	Bill Reid	Ruth Lechte
	Diane Goodwillie	Ken Dredge	Richard Heerdegen	Jan Crossland

1.	AGM opened at 1:35pm.	Chair: Leigh
2.	Previous AGM minutes read and accepted.	Moved: Janette
	·	Seconded: Tony
		Motion carried.
3.	Treasurer's AGM report – read by Janette Wallis – see below.	Moved: Janette
		Seconded: Gay
		Motion carried.
4.	CDCCG audit – tabled.	Moved: Tony
		Seconded: Joan
		Motion carried.
5.	CCNN audit – not available at the time of the meeting. It will be presented at the	
	September monthly meeting.	
6.	Proposed auditor for next year – David Clark of Ranald Duhig & Co.	Moved: Janette
		Seconded: Peter
		Motion carried.
7.	President's AGM report – read by Leigh Warneminde – see below.	Moved: Tony
		Seconded: Edwin
		Motion carried.
8.	CDCCG President declared all committee positions vacant.	
9.	Committee nominations:	
	President: Leigh Warneminde	
	Vice President: Tony Gibson	
	Treasurer: Janette Wallis	
	Secretary: Stephanie Phillips	
	Committee members: Diane Goodwillie, Fred Furlonger, Jan Crossland, Edwin Hammet	
10.	Committee members elected:	Carried unanimously.
	President: Leigh Warneminde – accepted.	
	Vice President: Tony Gibson – accepted.	
	Treasurer: Janette Wallis – accepted.	
	Secretary: Stephanie Phillips – accepted.	
	Committee members: Diane Goodwillie, Fred Furlonger, Jan Crossland, Edwin Hammet –	
	accepted.	
11.	AGM closed at 2:00pm.	
12.	2012/2013 AGM – September 2013.	

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Treasurer's Report:

Coolum District Coast Care Group Treasurer's Annual Report For Year 01/04/11 to 31/03/12

Thank you David Clark from Ranald Duhig & Co for preparing the audit this year.

A copy of the audit is tabled at this meeting and a copy will be sent to the Office of Fair Trading.

In the year 1/4/11 to 31/3/12:

CDCCG was a member of the following groups:

- OSCAR
- ASGAP (Australian Society for Growing Australian Plants, includes SGAP Qld Region and the Wallum & Coastal Heathland Study Group)
- Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland, includes RBRN Richmond Birdwing Recovery Network
- Volunteering Sunshine Coast

Coolum Nursery

CDCCG and Maroochy Waterwatch are partners in the Coolum Community Nursery. Maroochy Waterwatch has provided a separate audit for the Coolum Community Nursery.

Membership

123 membership fees were received.

Project Funding

\$2,042.495 from Landcare Queensland for hosting community day with Sullivan Nicolaides \$20,042.00 Caring For our Country for Coastal Revegetation Remediation Project \$22,120.00 Sunshine Coast Council Admin Grant round 2

NAB Account number 52-931-2346.

Opening balance 31st March 2011 \$33,283.46 Balance 31/3/12 \$37,080.11

NAB CDCC Public Fund

CDCCG is on the Federal Governments' Register of Environmental Organisations and is a tax deductible gift recipient.

Opening balance 31st March 2011 \$5,885.93 Balance 31/3/12 \$857.78

Bendigo Club Account 133325233 Balance 31 March 2011 \$10.00 Balance 31/3/2012 \$195.00

Bendigo Term Deposit 21451976/2502

Balance 31 March 2011 \$11,448.55 Balance 31/3/12 \$12,127.64

Bendigo Term Deposit 21451976/2503

31 March 2011 \$10,000.00 Balance 31/3/12 \$10,603.84

Bendigo Term Deposit 21451976/2504

Opened 5/8/11 \$10,000.00 Balance 31/3/12 \$10,297.27

Janette Wallis Treasurer

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President's report:

Coolum District Coast Care Mission:

- To protect and conserve the natural values of the coastal area between South Peregian and Mudjimba.
- To encourage the preservation of this area's bio-diversity
- To encourage active participation of the community and governing bodies

This is 14th AGM of Coolum Coast Care Group, which is extraordinary. The group's achievements to date are well beyond any expectation. The success of CDCCG has been possible because of the dedication of a diverse group of people aged from 3 to in their 80s. The common bond of respect for nature and passion for the natural wonders of the beautiful place in which we live is demonstrated though our ongoing practical activities. The individual contribution of each member has created a great collective energy that continues to grow stronger, broader and more complex each year. We have gained respect from the wider community and can be very proud of our successes. We are, in a true sense, a volunteer based community group.

In recognition of our efforts, we have received Sunshine Coast Regional Council funding through the Environment Levy Partnership. I would like to thank the Council for funding for the second year of a three-year funding period, which has enabled CDCCG to employ an administration officer, Stephanie Phillips, for two days a week to help with the administration of our expanding organisation, and also a book keeper. Engaging an administrator has been invaluable and a steep learning curve for the executive committee and Stephanie. Thanks must go to Michael, Ash and Nadia from SCC for their continuing on ground support.

Many of you are aware that I have returned to University this year after completing a refresher course last year, which has consumed a lot of my time. This has resulted in the time and energy I devote to Coast Care activities being greatly reduced. This slack has been more than adequately filled by a dedicated team of volunteers, my *Brains Trust*.

- I would like to thank Tony Gibson for his energy, his enthusiasm and his passion. He has been instrumental in the success of Marcoola Coast Care. His skill set and leadership in planning, documentation, project coordination and training (me) has been essential for the evolution of CDCCG. Tony also organised the trip to Heron Island which was a highlight and a new endeavour for group members.
- Janette Wallis remains the foundation on which Coast Care sits. Her work goes unnoticed by most volunteers but she quietly keeps us on the straight and narrow financially, and is always available as a sounding board. Our finances are in safe hands. It should be known that while Janette is now paid for her services as book keeper, she donates that money back to our organisation. Thank you Janette.
- I would also like to thank David Clark, our auditor, for his services which he generously subsidises.
- It is with sincere gratitude that I would like to thank Stephanie for her contribution in her role as both a volunteer and administrator. She also brings great skills particularly in technology and desktop publishing to the organisation, as well as dedication and passion (especially for turtles), and puts in far more hours to the group than she is paid for!
- Edwin has also stepped up this year taking on projects with good humour, reliability and energy. Thanks go to Edwin for taking on the role of treasurer's assistant, construction of our mini shed, the co-ordination of woody weeds project, fox hunting, meeting attendance, chair maintenance, and support.
- Anne Jericho has very efficiently managed our memberships. We now have 90 members, which is in part due to her efforts. Thanks.

And then others ...

- Ben Pearce has filled the role of our desktop publisher and site plan drawer with great professionalism and has unleashed his talents.
- Susie Chapman and Stu Ransome have been instrumental in the Calendar production.
- Linese Norrish, as well as team leader for the Watercourse, has been the social activity coordinator, a very important aspect of Coast Care.
- Bill Matthews has also sorted out a system to record our volunteer hours which is working really well. It has only taken us about 5 years! Sorry we were so slow off the mark, Bill.
- The team leaders of our six weeding groups Tony, Alan, Sherida, Bill, Silva, Bev and Linese for taking on the responsibility of organising us on weeding days.

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- The turtle team Sherida Holford, Susan Richards, Stephanie Phillips, Ben Pearce, Michelle Jones and Colin Ingram our rookie always willing to do extra-ordinary things to conserve turtles.
- The Coolum Community Native Nursery team Jake and Ben and the volunteers continue to produce and sell a great variety of local native plant species. This is particularly fantastic in this economic climate when many nurseries are struggling. I am so proud of the facility in all ways and I know with Jake at the helm it is in safe hands. It is the jewel of the Coast Care crown.
- Chris Crossland (our chief scientist he hates that term!) and Jan require acknowledging for their help with all things marine, editing, CCNN, funding applications.

If I have omitted to thank anyone else individually please forgive me. Thanks to all volunteers who do such an impressive job in contributing to the ongoing achievements of Coolum District Coast Care Group in a host of ways. A member said to me the other day that I could never have imagined how the group would grow and diversify and succeed and he was right. Our strength is that we are community, we volunteer, and we do quite extra ordinary things to preserve the area in which we live. Thank you.

Here is what we have been doing collectively:

- We have 6 weeding groups between Stumers Creek and the River working on coastal restoration and contributing well over 3000 hours for the 12 months to August. Group bush reveg days are turning into quite a gastronomic affair!
- The Coolum Community Native Nursery continues to flourish with Nursery accreditation in place, a great group of volunteers and a growing reputation. Our partnership in this venture with Maroochy Waterwatch continues 8765 volunteer hours and we are able to supply free plants to Sunshine Coast schools.
- We have planted well over 3000 trees and shrubs on the dunes.
- We have completed the rocky foreshore survey and are working on the final report.
- We have collected 16 stranded turtles this year to date.
- We have monitored 19 turtle nests on beaches from Sunshine Beach to Mudjimba in the 2011-2012 season, with 1364 hatchlings making it into the ocean. This involved over 2000 volunteer hours.
- We have mapped fox dens from Sunshine Beach to the Maroochy River and will engage in a community trail project to monitor dens with QPWS.
- We have continued to encourage community engagement school groups, corporate groups, host wildflower walks, turtle workshops, community days.
- We have had numerous articles in the local papers, a few grabs on local news and radio, produced a newsletter and Calendar.
- We have continued to work on documentation for the ongoing administration of the group.
- We have attracted funding from Federal, State and Local Government, Bendigo Bank, and the private sector through Community days.
- We have socialised in various activities organised by our members.
- We have continued to employ a paid secretary/administrator for 16 hours per week and book-keeper which has been invaluable.
- We have engaged Fauna Watch to do some wildlife mapping to record animal species on the dunes at Marcoola and Yaroomba, and will hopefully target Coolum next.
- We continue to work on the CRRAG DOA.
- We are improving our website and continue to have a Facebook page.
- We have successfully produced a calendar and news letter Flotsam.
- We continue working on marine conservation, and contributed to the State of the Sea Forum.
- We have continued to earn the respect of the community through the work that we do.
- Very importantly, we not only care about the environment but care and support fellow members.
- We continue to partner with others to achieve our goals QPWS, Main Roads Department, local Surf Clubs and Boardriders Clubs, SCC, other bushcare groups, SEQ Catchments, DEHP, etc.

Coast care visions for the year ahead:

Have lots of fun.

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- Work on improving habitat linkages along the North Shore.
- Education both children and community (Di Goodwillie has put together a very impressive proposal).
- CRRAG resigning the DOA.
- Marine planning for the Sunshine Coast e.g. buoys at Mudjimba Island
- Plastic marine debris survey
- Support for other like minded groups

Looming Issues:

Clive World - airport expansion, Yaroomba development