

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 16 May 2020 and Extraordinary General Meeting on 15 July 2020

Held:	AGM: Saturday, 16 May 2020, by Zoom, 2pm
Attendance:	77 members and visitors attending

1	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>The Chairman (Secretary of APS NSW) welcomed members and visitors to the meeting and acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land.</p>
2	<p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p><u>Motion</u>: That apologies received from Graeme and Margaret Ingall and David and Heather Williams be accepted.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Ralph Cartwright      <u>Seconded</u>: Barry Lees      Carried.</p>
3	<p><b>Declaration of Proxies</b></p> <p>Proxies were received from Jenny Cartwright, appointing Ralph Cartwright, and Paddy Lightfoot, appointing the Chairman, as their proxies.</p> <p><u>Motion</u>: That the proxies be received.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Margaret Gaul      <u>Seconded</u>: Marie O'Connor      Carried.</p>
4	<p><b>Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting</b></p> <p><u>Motion</u>: To receive and adopt the Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting held at 12.30pm on 18 May 2019 at Blaxland Community Hall, 33 Hope St, Blaxland, NSW.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Ralph Cartwright      <u>Seconded</u>: Marie O'Connor      Carried.</p>
5	<p><b>Business arising from the Minutes</b></p> <p>Nil.</p>
6	<p><b>President's Report</b></p> <p>The President's Report, as published in the Annual Report was taken as read. Additional points made by the Chairman were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to our District Groups and volunteers for their tireless efforts to promote Australian plants</li> <li>• Thanks to the board members, Rhonda Daniels (enewsletter editor), Nicky Maher (Study Group Coordinator), Glenda Browne (administrator), Alix Goodwin (Facebook Administrator and compiler of the Annual Report), Liz Aitken (Facebook and YouTube Administrator), and the Plant Expert Group.</li> </ul> <p><u>Motion</u>: To receive and adopt the President's Report for the year 2019.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: John Aitken      <u>Seconded</u>: Marie O'Connor      Carried.</p>
7	<p><b>Other Reports</b></p> <p><u>Motion</u>: To receive and adopt all other reports in the Annual Report.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Marie O'Connor      <u>Seconded</u>: Graham Fry      Carried.</p>

8	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p><u>Motion</u>: To receive and adopt the Directors' Report to Members and Financial Report for 12 months ending 31 December 2019.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Harry Loots      <u>Seconded</u>: John Aitken      Carried.</p>															
9	<p><b>Election of Life Members</b></p> <p>Under Clause 3 of the Articles of Association, life membership is appointed at the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion</u>: That Leigh and Chris Cousins be made life members of the Australian Plants Society NSW.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Heather Miles      <u>Seconded</u>: Jeff Howes      Carried.</p> <p><u>Motion</u>: That Ian Cox be made a life member of the Australian Plants Society NSW.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Tony Maxwell      <u>Seconded</u>: Jeff Howes      Carried.</p>															
10	<p><b>Conservation Award</b></p> <p>No nominations were received for Conservation Award.</p>															
11	<p><b>Questions</b></p> <p>There were no questions of the Board.</p>															
12	<p><b>Election of Directors</b></p> <p>Rhonda Daniels as the Returning Officer declared all positions vacant. The three nominations received by the closing date were announced and the following elections were made.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="306 1077 1356 1344"> <thead> <tr> <th>Position</th> <th>Name</th> <th>District Group</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>President</td> <td>John Aitken</td> <td>Sutherland</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vice President (2)</td> <td>Nil</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Honorary Treasurer</td> <td>Harry Loots</td> <td>Northern Beaches</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non-titled office bearers (5)</td> <td>Merle Thompson</td> <td>Blue Mountains</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Position	Name	District Group	President	John Aitken	Sutherland	Vice President (2)	Nil		Honorary Treasurer	Harry Loots	Northern Beaches	Non-titled office bearers (5)	Merle Thompson	Blue Mountains
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13	<p><b>Close of meeting</b></p> <p>As there was no further business, the Annual General Meeting was declared closed at 2.26pm</p>															

## Extraordinary General Meeting, 15 July 2020

Held:	EGM: Wednesday, 15 July 2020, by Zoom, 7.30pm
Attendance:	58 members attending

1	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>Heather Miles (Secretary) welcomed members and visitors to the meeting and thanked them for attending.</p>
2	<p><b>Apologies and proxies</b></p> <p>None received</p>
3	<p><b>Motion</b></p>

	<p>Heather Miles outlined that there was a typographical error in the Annual Report approved in May 2020.</p> <p><u>Motion</u>: That the Annual Report be corrected to show that the net equity was \$1,094,715, rather than \$1,094,215.</p> <p><u>Moved</u>: Heather Miles      <u>Seconded</u>: John Aitken      Carried.</p>
4	<p><b>Close of meeting</b></p> <p>As there was no further business, the Extraordinary General Meeting was declared closed at 7.35pm.</p>