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<sup>•</sup>Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held at Alice Springs Education Centre, 4/2/97



# Alice Springs Field Naturalists Club

Meeting held at Alice Springs High School on Tuesday 4th February 1997 Meeting opened at 7.30pm

#### Present

Graeme Ashton, Bob Read, Sally Breaux, Jenni Manderloot, Haydee Adel, Sue Fraser

**Visitors** 

Leoni Read

**Apologies** 

Bill McAinsh, Margaret and Karl Richardson

#### Minutes of Last Meeting

Acceptance moved by Jenni Mandersioot, seconded by Graeme Ashton.

Matters Arising: None

#### **Acting President's Report**

It is the start of the new year, and we must push forward into attracting more members through various avenues or we will not have a club to run anymore. To those that came to the Christmas Party out at the Telegraph Station last December, I thank you for taking the effort to come on such a stormy afternoon. Forthose who attended, we had an enjoyable time and I hope that I will see you at the next Christmas party.

#### Secretary's Report

Correspondence in-

- Newsletter from SGAP for the last two meetings.
- Newsletter from NT Field Naturalists Club.
- Letter from Geelong Field Naturalists Club requesting that we reply to their enquiry about the Australian Naturalists Network Logo and Questionnaire.

#### Treasurer's Report

We have currently \$536.71 in the bank, due to a large amount of bills paid in December.

#### **Guest Speaker**

As it was the first meeting for this year, we decided not to have a guest speaker.

#### **General Business**

As Matthew Fowler is very busy at this time, we will try to have a lengthy discussion on the Biological Records Scheme and the construction of a hide out on the Sewerage Ponds sometime when it suits him and the club.

Leoni Read suggested that we as a club get more involved with the local schools within Alice Springs in Natural History and related fields, especially with her class from OLSH College by inviting students and their parents along on trips which could generate new members. Also she suggested we send out our newsletter to all the schools in Alice Springs.

There was some confusion as to who organises advertising our meetings in the Centralian Advocate. We also discussed the possibility of getting the Advocate to do another feature story on the comings and goings of our club, as their is always new people in town who don't know that our Club exists.

There was also a discussion on the letter we received from the Geelong Field Naturalists Club requesting we fill in their questionnaire on the Australian Naturalists Network logo.



# **Past Trips**

**Ilparpa Swamp** was attended by Bob Read and two others, and they had an enjoyable time searching for all sorts of wildlife especially the birdlife.

**Redbank Gorge** was cancelled due to lack of numbers and we hope that we can re-schedule it to a later date.

Next meeting: Tuesday 4th March 1997.

Note Taker: Sally Breaux

Cake Bringer: Bob Read

# Future Trips

Ilparpa Swamp

Trip Leader: Bob Read.

Topic: Do you know what types of frogs are indigenous to Central Australia and where to find them?

Date and Time: Sunday 16th February. Meet at ASHS carpark 5.30pm.

Bring a torch and footwear for wet conditions.

Telephone: Bob Read AH 89521935

### John Hayes Rockhole - Trephina Gorge

Trip Leader: Graeme Ashton

Date and Time: Saturday 22nd February at ASHS carpark 7.45 am.

Due to the wet conditions of the past week or so, the road from the information shelter may be open only to 4wd, so those people who want to go can go in their cars and we can do runs into John Hayes Rockhole with a 4wd with people who have 4wd vehicles if necessary. So don't worry if you only have 2wd as we can cater for those people. Bring some swimming gear and some lunch as we will be doing the Chain of Ponds walk.

Telephone: 89523039 AH.

Alice Springs Field Naturalists March Guest Speaker:

# **Bob Read**

# Alice Springs Water Supply: "Not From New Guinea"

A brief history of the town basin and Roe Creek

Tuesday March 4th
Alice Springs Education Centre
Milner rd
7:30 pm
All welcome. Supper provided.
For more information call Bob Read on
89521935