

# YDRA | YANKALILLA DISTRICT residents association

## Annual General Meeting

4.30pm, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2021  
Normanville Hotel

## Agenda

Welcome to country and opening - Caroline Weatherstone  
President's Report - Caroline Weatherstone  
Treasurer's Report - Richard  
Council Rates Report - George Reeves  
Bungala River Working Group Report - Jane Power  
Table talk - future plans

Website: <https://yankalilladra.org>

Facebook: Yankalilla District Residents Association (members only)

P.O Box 24, Normanville South Australia...5204

## Annual General Meeting

### MINUTES

11 March 2020  
7.00pm The Centre

**Guest speaker** - Peta Johnston spoke about the process for setting up a cultural centre, based on her experience in Victor Harbor.

**AGM** opened approx 7.30 PM

**Chair:** Wayne Gibbs.

**Minutes:** Maurene McEwen

**Apologies:** Bill and Janet Page, Max Speed, Phil Richards, Sarah Harris, Don Baker, Des and Val Gubbin.

Prior to the meeting, several people became financial members to be recorded in the Treasurer's report at the first Management Committee meeting.

Mr Gibbs thanked the Working Party, for all the hours and some financial commitment they had put into setting up the association following consultation and feedback from three public meetings over several months from 2019-2020.

#### Milestones:

- Incorporation (process of formulating a Constitution for which validation by Consumer Affairs was applied for and a certificate of Incorporation obtained);
- a bank account (to be validated when a Treasurer is appointed at the AGM);
- a P.O. Box;
- an email address;
- Website;
- Facebook page.

Wayne declared that all positions on the Management Committee (MC) were open for **election**. Ten nomination forms were counted. Two nominees withdrew noting that only eight are needed on the Management Committee (MC).

As only one person had nominated for one of the four executive positions, Richard Fairweather for Treasurer, it was stated by the Chair that the newly elected body once approved could decide further executive positions at their first meeting.

Moved Bill Verwey, Seconded David Moorhead.

This initiated a discussion from the floor on how the following clauses in the Constitution should be interpreted: Should the executive members of the Management Committee to be elected as 'a group' or 'severally'.

*4.3 The office bearers of the association shall be comprised of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall be elected by and from the members at the Association's Annual General Meeting.*

*One office bearer shall be appointed by the committee to be the Public Officer of the Association in accordance with the Act.*

*4.4 Four additional members of the Association shall be members of the management committee. They shall be nominated and elected by the members at the Annual General Meeting.*

After some discussion from the floor putting the case for both interpretations, Grant Pettigrew nominated as President. Others then committed to the remaining three executive positions. There being no further nominations, the four executive positions were declared filled. The 2020

**Management Committee (MC) was appointed, unopposed:**

President, Grant Pettigrew; Vice President, Caroline Weatherstone; Secretary, Brian Matthews; Treasurer Richard Fairweather.

Four non-executive members are: Alex Kuske, Jenny Russell\*\*, Des Gubbin\*\*\*, David Muirhead.

*4.3 The Public Officer to be appointed at Management Committee meeting.*

Further comments were invited from the floor.

- The point was made that when searching for the Association on Google nothing is found. Wayne Gibbs agreed that in its infancy, a website may not be identified by a search engine, at least unless money is paid or 'traffic' increases. This issue can be on the Agenda of the new MC.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked all for their attendance. **AGM closed at 8.15pm.**

\* A summary of Peta Johnston's talk and a report on the AGM was sent to the YRN for April publication.

\*\*One of the nominations for the MC, withdrawn after first count, was resubmitted when on recount it was discovered that there had been only nine in the initial count; it was subsequently agreed by those on the MC to co-opt Jenny Russell to the MC, giving a total of eight as per the Constitution.

\*\*\* Des Gubbin though not present had nominated Maurene McEwen, financial member, as his proxy.

Minutes: Maurene McEwen (Working Party member 2019-2020)

Signed

- 1 .....Caroline Weatherstone (Position) President
- 2 .....Maurene McEwen (Position) Minute Taker

TREASURERS REPORT

**PRESENTED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
NORMANVILLE HOTEL 25.11.21**

	DR	CR
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
5.12.19 Opening Balance		\$0.00
5.12.19 Membership Fees to (102 members @ \$15.00 each) 25.11.21		\$1530.00
5.12.19 Donations to (Includes \$1000.00 from Yankalilla 25.11.21 Op Shop)		\$1561.65
Bank Interest		\$0.11
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
12.12.19 Incorporation Costs (SA Government)	\$216.00	
14.9.20 Hard Drive (Office Works)	\$69.00	
22.4.20 P.O Box Renewal (Normanville)	\$39.00	
20.3.20 Advertising...Inaugural Meeting (Victor Harbor Times)	\$219.96	
21.2.20 YDRA Website Design ("Damnations")	\$400.00	
8.5.21 Advertisement... Bungala River (YDN)	\$120.00	
28.10.21 Alterations to Website (Jen Kay)	\$100.00	
BALANCE (As at 25.11.21)		\$1927.80

Richard Fairweather  
(Treasurer)

## Your Rates in Perspective 2021 / 2022

### Rates Payable on a \$500,000 Residential Property

<b>Council</b>	<b>Total Rates Payable \$</b>
Victor Harbor	2676
Yankalilla	2589
Mt Barker	2100
Kangaroo Island	2047
Unley	2029
Onkaparinga	2024
Kingston	1741
Marion	1481
Alexandrina	1349
Mitcham	1481
Robe	1420
Norwood, Payneham, St Peters	1186
Walkerville	1176
Burnside	1120



# Bungala River Working Group Update Report

For

Yankalilla District Residents Association

AGM - 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021

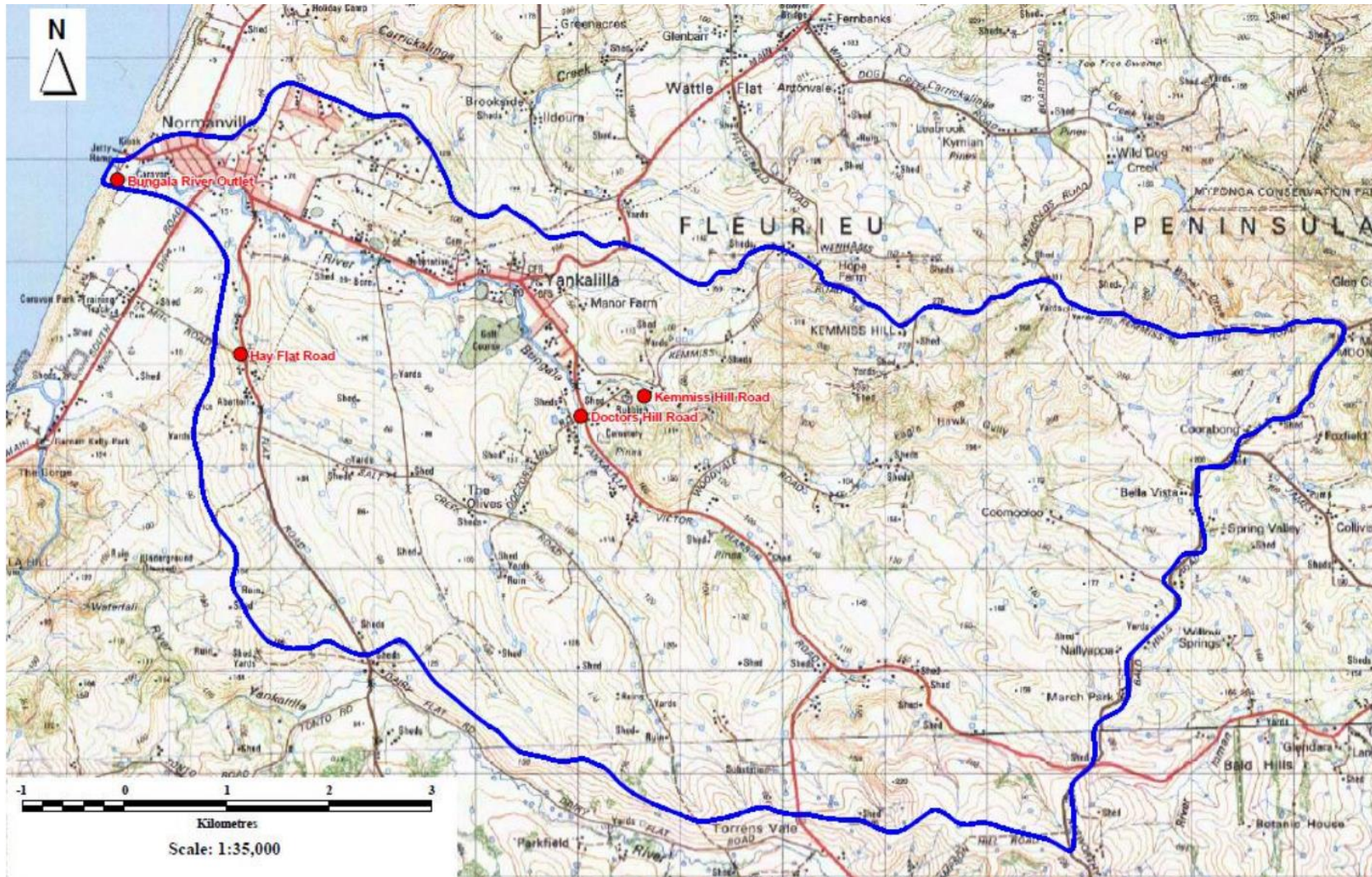
Prepared by J. Power

- ▶ Background
- ▶ Why are we doing this ?
- ▶ Role of group
- ▶ Vision
- ▶ Objectives
- ▶ Activity Report
- ▶ Community
- ▶ What next ?

# Background

- ▶ The working group was formed in March 2021, as a Community partnership between the Yankalilla District Residents Association and the Fleurieu Environment Centre with involvement from the District Council of Yankalilla
- ▶ Currently there are 2 delegates each from the YDRA, Fleurieu Environment Centre and Elected members of Council.
- ▶ Glen Rowlands is currently acting Chair
- ▶ Peter Hamilton is Executive Officer.
- ▶ Other current members include: Matt Robertson, Richard Fairweather, Wayne Gibbs, Alistair Christie and Jane Power.
- ▶ Monthly meetings but recently this has increased to accommodate meeting with contacts from the Landcare Board

# Why are we doing this ?



# The Bungala River is in poor shape

## Major Threats

- ▶ Poor water quality
- ▶ Sedimentation and erosion
- ▶ Estuary entrance and artificial river mouth opening
- ▶ Agriculture and rural development
- ▶ Pest plants and animals
- ▶ Urban development
- ▶ Climate change

Bungala River

ESTUARY ACTION PLAN 2010

A report prepared by AECOM Australia Pty Ltd for the

Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board

# Role of Group

- ▶ To act as a collaborative forum involving Council and the Community to progress discussion and action on improving the health and habitat of the Bungala River and implementing the Bungala Linear Park over time
- ▶ Establish links with external organisations and government agencies who can provide expert assistance in environmental matters and potential funding assistance, in particular the Fleurieu Landcare Board
- ▶ Summarize the most relevant information and achievable recommendations from previous reports related to the river, into an overarching ‘Technical Guide or Management Plan’;
- ▶ Look for opportunities to identify and engage with stakeholders and community.

# Vision

- ▶ To reinstate a healthy river system that encourages native vegetation and wildlife to thrive while providing a place to exercise and a sense of peace and tranquility to those that use the area.



# Objectives

To reinstate a healthy Bungala River system that:

1. Supports agricultural activities within its watershed.
2. Encourages native vegetation and wildlife to thrive.
3. Minimises the potential damaging impact of river flows into Gulf St Vincent.
4. Provides recreational opportunities for families and individuals in an environment of rural peace and tranquility.
5. Supports the provision of necessary community infrastructure.
6. Flourishes with the support of the Yankalilla, Normanville and district community.
7. Supports measures necessary to accommodate the effects of a changing climate.
8. Recognizes the influence of First Nations peoples on the river and its environs.

# Activity Report

- ▶ Collation of existing data
- ▶ There are at least 8 technical reports dating from 2003 to 2020. These reports have been collected together and stored in a cloud database.
  - ▶ A lot of work has already been done on the status of the river and the action plans required.
  - ▶ It is hoped with support of the FLB and a small grant the group can use the existing data to develop a coherent action plan for the short, medium and long term projects that will be required over the next 10 years.
- ▶ Brain storming ideas to come up with a list of Objectives
- ▶ Engaging with experts and Landcare Board
- ▶ The group has met with several specialists so far including:
  - ▶ Eddie Banks - Hydrogeologist from Flinders Uni
  - ▶ Michael Garrod - CEO of Landcare Board
  - ▶ Jackie Best - Fleurieu Landcare Board officer

# Existing Data Collected

- ▶ Extracts from the District 30 Year Plan - Stage 1
- ▶ Extracts from the Structure Plan 2019
- ▶ Southern Fleurieu Coastal Action Plan 2007
- ▶ Bungala 2000 - Marine Component - 2007
- ▶ Yankalilla Bay Revegetation Guide 2007
- ▶ Bungala Estuary Action Plan - 2010
- ▶ Nearshore seagrass and reef condition in Yankalilla Bay 2014
- ▶ Yankalilla, Normanville and Carrickalinga Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) 2020
- ▶ Climate Change Adaptation Plan for the Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island Region - 2015

- ▶ Consensus is that we have more than enough data to move forward with an Action Plan
- ▶ BUT, we need someone to analyse this existing information and condense into a more manageable format.
- ▶ Small grant - PHD Student - member of the community with required expertise

# Land Care Board Summary

- ▶ The Bald Hills area has been repaired to a large extent as the soils are glacial and easily eroded.
- ▶ Individual property owners can, and do, contact FLB for advice and support.
- ▶ Biggest problem is overgrazing.
- ▶ There are more weed sources nearer town and urban areas
- ▶ There is not a lot of money for water courses at the moment unless agriculture is impacted.
- ▶ A large property, 400ha with 1000 sheep is only 50% protected.
- ▶ Old red gums are in poor shape - persistent drought - stress - infestation of pests and infections because they are weaker.
- ▶ Many small shrubs have been taken out for clearing e.g. Christmas Bush.
- ▶ Farmers and landowners need good examples of leadership for best practice land care.
- ▶ Main problems are over grazing and weeds.
- ▶ BUT, regenerative agriculture is catching on.

# Work already happening



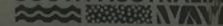
## Creek restoration

Saving our topsoil and improving water quality

For advice, phone 8550 3400



**LANDSCAPE**  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Supported by the  
Hills and Fleurieu  
Landscape Board.

Photo taken May 2019

# Suggestions going forward:

- ▶ That our boundary should be up to Doctors Hill Road.
- ▶ We concentrate on a high visibility “in town ”project.
- ▶ Concentrate on the urban catchment - a good example in town will influence other property owners.
- ▶ Concentrate on education, building knowledge and capacity with local community including landowners if they’re interested.

# Summary of Community Opportunities

- ▶ Building knowledge and capacity
- ▶ Bringing the community on the journey
- ▶ Opportunities for engagement
- ▶ Possible future seminars and workshops in 2022 - stay tuned

Next Steps?

Sign Up

# YDRA | YANKALILLA DISTRICT residents association

## Annual General Meeting

4.30pm, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2021  
Normanville Hotel

## Agenda

Welcome to country and opening - Caroline Weatherstone  
President's Report - Caroline Weatherstone  
Treasurer's Report - Richard  
Council Rates Report - George Reeves  
Bungala River Working Group Report - Jane Power  
Table talk - future plans

Website: <https://yankalilladra.org>

Facebook: Yankalilla District Residents Association (members only)