

CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEETING HELD 8/10/2018

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

- Mark Coure – re banning all single use plastic items and funding or resource opportunities for Riverkeeper program – he forwarded it to Minister for Environment (email in 25/9/18)
- Beth Salt GRCCC Program Manager – re OFF letter to Mark Coure asking him to seek funds to increase resources for Georges Riverkeeper program (email in 21/9/18)
- Mark Coure – invitation to nominate for St George Community Awards – **closes 12/10; function 29 October**
- Mark Coure – have your say on changes to King Georges Road, **closing Sunday 21 Oct**
- NPWS Director Conservation re tree planting program in Capertee NP – one of 17 NSW Climate Change Fund tree planting projects; opportunity for NPWS to undertake rehabilitation work in areas previously cleared through agricultural or mining use; focused on delivering benefits for biodiversity but may also result in ongoing revenue through a carbon auction etc (email in 4/10/18)
- Greater Sydney Commission – invitation to nominate for Citizens' Panel for implementation of Greater Sydney Region Plan (email in 27/9/18) – **closes Sunday 14/10**
- GRC Senior Sustainability Officer – invitation to host free community information session for OFF members on solar and energy efficiency (email in 3/10/18)
- GRC via Heather Stolle – plans for boardwalk in Myles Dunphy Reserve (email in 5/10/18)- **comments close 19/10**
- Damien Duggan (GRC) - Sydney Tree Management Plan – Consultation paper from Jim Tsirimiagos of Transport NSW (email in early September)
- Amanda Hurst (Support Teacher Transition, Department of Education) – re opportunities for some of her students with disabilities and mental health issues to volunteer in areas of bush care, gardening (email in 12/9/18)
- Friends of Western Ground Parrot Inc. Treasurer – receipt and thanks for generous donation (in 10/9/18)
- UNSW - receipt and thanks for OFF grant to postgraduate Student Research Fund (in 18/9/18)
- EDO – receipt and thanks for donation of \$199.30 raised by Jan Douglas's sale of produce
- Vincent Cerone – receipt for payment for corflute signs to advertise OFF planting in River Road Reserve (13/9/18)

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

- Minister for Environment, cc: CEO OEH - Carbon offset tree planting program in Capertee NP completely inappropriate, please halt until re-assessed for ecological appropriateness and legality (sent 4/9/18)
- Rob Stokes, Minister for Education – as a former Minister for Environment, please ask your colleagues to consider the repercussions of applying C offset tree planting programs to National Parks and Reserves (sent 4/9/18)
- Mark Coure (cc: Beth Salt, GRCCC Program Manager bcc: Georges Riverkeeper) – ban single-use plastic bags, increase resources for Georges Riverkeeper program (email sent 15/9/18)
- Mark Coure (cc: Beth Salt, GRCCC Program Manager) – clarification of request to increase resources for Georges Riverkeeper program (email sent 5/10/18)
- GRC GM (cc: GRCouncillors) – re Canopy Enhancement Program, please remove all discretionary powers from compliance procedures on tree removals (email sent 15/9/18)
- GRC GM – requesting access to portion of Oatley Bowling Club site not affected by asbestos (email sent 28/9/18)
- Damien Duggan, GRC Co-ordinator Parks & Waterways - OFF pleased by the Council's actions to secure OP but would like sign on the beach near Oatley Baths to read: "No Fires on Beach or anywhere else in Oatley Park"; he replied GRC had 2 requests re fires being started on beach at Oatley Park and signs were designed for those requests; new ordinance signs for Oatley Park will have "no fires" on them; when completed, can review the new signs and existing ones located near the beach area.
- NPWS Director Strategy & Co-ordination Branch - project return form for Minister's Conservation Fund grant to plant in River Road Reserve (sent 4/9/18)
- Colin Gibson, Bankstown Bushland Society – thanks for assistance of BBS at Beauty Point clean-up, he responded: "We had a great time. Sorry that we can't muster more support at our end for this type of thing. We'll keep working at it, so thanks"
- Premier Berejiklian, Don Harwin Minister for the Arts (incl. Australian Museum), Dominic Perrottet Minister responsible for Sydney Water and Gabrielle Upton Minister for the Environment – NSW Government must continue to fund Streamwatch program (emails sent 18/9/18, J O'Dea Parlt Sec to Premier - forwarded her copy to Harwin 5/10/18)

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REQUESTS FOR DONATIONS: WIRES, Birdlife Australia, EDO