



**SHIRE OF BROOKTON**

**BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday 30th March 2017**

**Commencement of Meeting 7.00 pm**

These minutes were confirmed as a true and correct record of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Annual General Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

**Presiding**

**Member:.....Date:.....**

**Shire of Brookton**  
**Bush Fire Advisory Committee Annual General Meeting**  
**held 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

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### **1.03.17 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ATTENDANCE**

Murray Hall opened the meeting at 7.04 pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

#### **Attendance**

Murray Hall Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (Chair)  
Travis Eva Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer  
Georgie Beecroft  
Len Simmons  
Blair Montague  
Scott Atkins  
Neville Messenger  
Paul Blechynden Department of Fire and Emergency Services  
Ashley Hobbs  
Tim Evans  
Troy Bassett  
Bevan Walters  
Dennis Wilkinson  
Jaime Blight

#### **Shire Representatives**

Ian D'Arcy Chief Executive Officer  
Courtney Fulwood Executive Officer  
Katrina Crute Deputy Shire President

#### **Apologies**

Les Eyre  
Norm Beecroft  
District Operational Advisory Committee Representative

### **2.03.17 ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS**

### **3.03.17 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The previous minutes from the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Annual General Meeting held on the 1 April 2016 cannot be located.

### **4.03.17 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Nil

**5.03.17 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

Murray Hall declared all position vacant and stood down from the Chair. Ian D'Arcy, Chief Executive Officer, took the Chair and called for nominations of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Office Bearers.

**5.03.17.01 CHIEF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER**

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***BAFC AGM 1.03.17***

**MOVED: TRAVIS EVA                      SECONDED: BLAIR MONTAGUE**

That Murray Hall be appointed as Chief Bush Fire Control Officer for the 2017-2018 Fire Season.

BAFC AGM 1.03.17  
***CARRIED***

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Murray Hall resumed the Chair.

**5.03.17.02 DEPUTY CHIEF BUSHIRE CONTROL OFFICER**

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***BFAC AGM 2.03.17***

**MOVED: LEN SIMMONS   SECONDED: TIM EVANS**

That Travis Eva be appointed as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer.

BFAC AGM 2.03.7  
***CARRIED***

**5.03.17.03 CENTRAL BROOKTON BRIGADE**

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***BFAC AGM 3.03.17***

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE   SECONDED: GEORGIE BEECROFT**

That Troy Basset be declared Captain of the Central Brookton Brigade

BFAC AGM 3.03.17  
***CARRIED***

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The committee agreed to move the below positions en bloc.

**BAFC AGM 4.03.17**

**MOVED: MURRAY HALL SECONDED: BLAIR MONTAGUE**

**Vice - Captain:** Andrew Pike  
**Fire Control Officers:** Les Eyre, Murray Hall, William Wilkinson, Neville Messenger, Ashley Hobbs, Blair Montague  
**Lieutenants:** Graeme Bassett, Barry Coote, Steve Whittington, Brett Whittington, Richie Bassett, Brad Bassett, Lance Marchesi, Andrew Pike, Ashley Hobbs, Blair Montague  
**BFAC Brigade members:** Troy Bassett, Ashley Hobbs  
**BFAC Brigade proxy:** Andrew Pike  
**BFAC VFRS members:** William Wilkinson  
**BFAC VFRS proxy:** Scott Atkins

BFAC AGM 4.03.17

**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.04 EAST BROOKTON BRIGADE**

**BFAC AGM 5.03.17**

**MOVED:TIM EVANS SECONDED: BLAIR MONTAGUE**

That Bevan Walters be declared Captain of the East Brookton Brigade.

BFAC AGM 5.03.17

**CARRIED**

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The committee agreed to move the below positions en bloc

**BFAC AGM 6.03.17**

**MOVED: TRAVIS EVA SECONDED: BLAIR MONTAGUE**

**Vice-Captain:** Dennis Wilkinson  
**Fire Control Officers:** Bevan Walters, Dennis Wilkinson, Darrell Turner, Travis Eva  
**Lieutenants:** Rodney Bowring, Brad Mills, Gavin Whittington, Michael Eva, Geoff McInnes  
**BFAC members:** Bevan Walters, Dennis Wilkinson  
**BFAC Proxy:** Geoff McInnes

BFAC AGM 6.03.17

**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.05 WEST BROOKTON BRIGADE**

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**BFAC AGM 7.03.17**

**MOVED: LEN SIMMONS SECONDED: GEORGIE BEECROFT**

That Tim Evans be declared Captain of the West Brookton Brigade.

BFAC AGM 7.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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The committee agreed to move the below positions en bloc.

**BFAC AGM 8.03.17**

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE SECONDED:TIM EVANS**

<b>Vice-Captain:</b>	Jamie Blight
<b>Fire Control Officer:</b>	Ross Evans, Mark Whittington and Len Simmons, Tim Evans, Jamie Blight
<b>Lieutenant:</b>	Peter Brechin, Warren Craig, Colin Butcher, Norm Beecroft, Rob Blight, Peter Roberts, Mark Blechynden, Rick Meecham, Eric Pech, Gavin Craig, Toby Blechynden
<b>BFAC members:</b>	Tim Evans, Jamie Blight
<b>BFAC proxy:</b>	Ross Evans, Mark Whittington, Len Simmons.

BFAC AGM 8.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.06 JUNIOR DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS**

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**BFAC AGM 9.03.17**

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE SECONDED: NEVILLE MESSENGER**

That Blair Montague be declared junior Deputy Chief Fire Control Officer.

BFAC AGM 9.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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### 5.03.17.07 DUAL FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

#### **BFAC AGM 10.03.17**

**MOVED: TROY BASSETT SECONDED: SCOTT ATKINS**

That the following Bush Fire Advisory Committee members be registered as Dual Fire Control Officers with neighbouring Shires:

Bevan Walters	Shires of Corrigin, Pingelly and Beverley
Darrell Turner	Shires of Quairading and Corrigin
Travis Eva	Shires of Quairading and Corrigin
Mark Whittington	Shire of Beverley
Murray Hall	Shire of Pingelly
Len Simmons	Shires of Beverley and Wandering
Ross Evans	Shires of Pingelly and Wandering
Dennis Wilkinson	Shire of Pingelly
Tim Evans	Shire of Pingelly and Wandering

BFAC AGM 10.03.17

**CARRIED**

### 5.03.17.08 CENTRAL, EAST AND WEST BRIGADE FIRE TENDER DRIVERS

The committee agreed to move the below positions en bloc.

#### **BFAC AGM 11.03.17**

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE SECONDED: LEN SIMMONS**

#### **CENTRAL BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

##### Town Tender - housed at the Fire Brigade building

Michael Eva, Rodney Bowring, John Bowring, Wayne Bowron, Murray Hall, Mark Whittington, Rodney White, Mark Gill, George Nelson, Damian Rushton, William Wilkinson, Neville Messenger, Lance Marchesi, Rick Freebody, Ashley Hobbs, Brad Bassett, Troy Bassett, Andrew Pike, Michael Sweeney, Des Pike, Blair Montague, Jason Bassett, Daniel Bassett, Matthew Coote, Scott Atkins, Wayne Thompson.

#### **EAST BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

##### East Tender - housed at Darrell Turner's Property

Noel Powell, Kim Mills, Rodney Bowring, Shane Bowron, Travis Eva, Brad Mills, Darrell Turner, Dennis Wilkinson, Bevan Walters, Gavin Whittington, Paul Wilkinson, Wayne Bowron, John Bowring, Geoff McInnes, Garry Eva, Don Eva,

Graham Sudholz, Ben Sudholz, Jordan Spark (subject to license check & membership form),

**WEST BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

West Tender No. 1 (actually no. 5) – housed at Warren Craig’s Property

Warren Craig, Mark Whittington, Steve Rayner, Frank Nazar, Mark Blechynden, Jamie Blight, Peter Brechin, Chris Rayner, Rick Meecham, Eric Pech, Fred Whittington, Tim Evans, Rex Smith, Callum Pech, Ross Evans, Damian Morrison, Noel Ferguson, Toby Blechynden and David Cliff, Nigel Morrison (Subject to license)

West Tender No. 2 (actually no. 7) – housed at housed at Peter Roberts’ Property

Len Simmons, Norm Beecroft, Brian Schilling, Ed Kendle, Brett Hutchison, Damian Morrison, Noel Ferguson, Christine Schilling, Ross Evans, Jaime Speedy, David Cliff, Craig May, Andrew Schilling, Andrew de Gruchy.

BFAC AGM 11.03.17

**CARRIED**

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**BFAC AGM 12.03.17**

**AGREE TO RESCIND THE MOTIONS**

**MOVED: TRAVIS EVA SECONDED: BEVAN WALTERS**

The Committee moved to accept to rescind motion in accordance with the Section 5.25(1)(e) of the Local Government Act, 1995 and Regulation 10 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, 1996.

BFAC AGM 12.03.17

**CARRIED**

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**BFAC AGM 13.03.17**

**RECISION MOTION**

**MOVED: TRAVIS EVA SECONDED: BEVAN WALTERS**

The Committee rescinds the motion to accept the Central, East and West Brigade Fire Tender Drivers (insert minute number) due to a driver being omitted inadvertently from the motion.

BFAC AGM 13.03.17

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

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**BFAC AGM 14.03.17**

**NEW MOTION**

**MOVED:** BLAIR MONTAGUE      **SECONDED:** LEN SIMMONS

**CENTRAL BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

Town Tender - housed at the Fire Brigade building

Michael Eva, Rodney Bowring, John Bowring, Wayne Bowron, Murray Hall, Mark Whittington, Rodney White, Mark Gill, George Nelson, Damian Rushton, William Wilkinson, Neville Messenger, Lance Marchesi, Rick Freebody, Ashley Hobbs, Brad Bassett, Troy Bassett, Andrew Pike, Michael Sweeney, Des Pike, Blair Montague, Jason Bassett, Daniel Bassett, Matthew Coote, Scott Atkins, Wayne Thompson.

**EAST BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

East Tender - housed at Darrell Turner's Property

Noel Powell, Kim Mills, Rodney Bowring, Shane Bowron, Travis Eva, Brad Mills, Darrell Turner, Dennis Wilkinson, Bevan Walters, Gavin Whittington, Paul Wilkinson, Wayne Bowron, John Bowring, Geoff McInnes, Garry Eva, Don Eva, Graham Sudholz, Ben Sudholz, Jordan Spark, Suzanne Turner (subject to license check & membership form).

**WEST BRIGADE:**

That tender drivers be nominated as follows:

West Tender No. 1 (actually no. 5) – housed at Warren Craig's Property

Warren Craig, Mark Whittington, Steve Rayner, Frank Nazar, Mark Blechynden, Jamie Blight, Peter Brechin, Chris Rayner, Rick Meecham, Eric Pech, Fred Whittington, Tim Evans, Rex Smith, Callum Pech, Ross Evans, Damian Morrison, Noel Ferguson, Toby Blechynden and David Cliff, Nigel Morrison (Subject to license).

West Tender No. 2 (actually no. 7) – housed at housed at Peter Roberts' Property

Len Simmons, Norm Beecroft, Brian Schilling, Ed Kendle, Brett Hutchison, Damian Morrison, Noel Ferguson, Christine Schilling, Ross Evans, Jaime Speedy, David Cliff, Craig May, Andrew Schilling, Andrew de Gruchy.

All designated fire tender drivers are authorised to alternate between West Tender No. 1, West Tender No. 2, Town Tender and East Tender.

BFAC AGM 14.03.17

**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.09 HARVEST BAN AND FIRE WEATHER OFFICER**

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**BFAC AGM 15.03.17**

**MOVED: TIM EVANS      SECONDED: TRAVIS EVA**

That the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer be appointed ex officio as the Harvest Ban and Fire Weather Officer.

BFAC AGM 15.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.10 DEPUTY HARVEST BAN AND FIRE WEATHER OFFICER**

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**BFAC AGM 16.03.17**

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE      SECONDED: SCOTT ATKINS**

That the Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer be appointed ex officio as the Deputy Harvest Ban and Fire Weather Officer.

BFAC AGM 16.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.11 OFFICERS AUTHORISED TO ISSUE BURNING PERMITS**

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**BFAC AGM 17.03.17**

**MOVED: ASHLEY HOBBS      SECONDED: NEVILLE MESSENGER**

That all qualified Fire Control Officers be authorised ex officio to issue burning permits.

BFAC AGM 17.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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**5.03.17.12 OFFICERS AUTHORISED TO ISSUE CLOVER BURNING PERMITS**

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**BFAC AGM 18.03.17**

**MOVED: BLAIR MONTAGUE      SECONDED: GEORGIE BEECROFT**

That the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer be the ex officio authorised officer to issue clover-burning permits.

BFAC AGM 18.03.17  
**CARRIED**

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**6.03.17 GENERAL BUSINESS**

District Operational Advisory Committee Representative report to be presented at the Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting.

**7.03.17 DFES REPRESENTATIVE**

To be presented at the Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting.

**8.03.17 CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.38 pm.