



FRIENDS OF TOKAI PARK

Minutes

Present | 35 participants, see list below of registrants.

Apologies | John Yeld

Time | 7-9pm

ITEM	NOTES
1. Welcome & housekeeping	<p>Alanna welcomed all participants. Everyone was asked to write their name in the chat for the purposes of the attendance register, and any apologies they were aware of. Membership was defined. Friends of Tokai Park (FOTP) have a casual membership model, whereby our members are currently defined as those on our mailing list. Therefore participants were notified that if they are on our mailing list, they are members, and eligible to vote tonight. Furthermore, since there are no membership fees, members were encouraged to make donations to FOTP as they feel led.</p> <p>The etiquette for the meeting was described, participants were shown where the chat box was, how to raise their hands, how to mute themselves, and everyone was notified that the meeting was to be recorded.</p>
2. Acceptance of previous AGM minutes	<p>Alanna asked whether there were any corrections for the previous minutes. Berta requested that the Chair's Report should not be posted next to the minutes on the website, but be appended to the minutes. Tony Rebelo confirmed that this would be done in future.</p> <p>The previous AGM minutes were accepted. Proposer: Sally Hey Secunder: Jeremy Gilmore</p> <p>The minutes of this AGM will be uploaded on our FOTP website later this week.</p>
3. Chairperson's report	<p>Chair Report Tony Rebelo presented the Chair's Report for 2020. Please see the appendix.</p> <p>Berta listed two corrections: the report on the Princessvlei legends has been submitted to all the relevant parties, the report on the heritage markers/heritage informants of Tokai Park is submitted to SANParks (Cecilia Park section has to be added). If anyone is interested, they can order the reports from Berta on tokaipark.heritage@gmail.com.</p> <p>The Chair's report was accepted: Proposer: Zoe Poulsen Secunder: Vard Aman</p>

4. Treasurer's report	<p><i>Treasurer's Report</i> Jay Cowen presented the Treasurer's Report for 2020. Please see the appendix.</p> <p>The financials were accepted: Proposer: Michael Hyde Seconder: Mike Golby</p>
5. Election of office bearers	<p>Alanna introduced the current FOTP committee (details on our website: https://tokaipark.com/about-us/team/). People were encouraged to consider getting involved in the FOTP committee.</p> <p>Outgoing committee members: none. Incoming committee members: Leila Mitrani was nominated via the official nomination process by FOTP members. Proposer: Alanna Rebelo Seconder: Vard Aman Votes in favour: 25 (no votes against)</p>
6. Motions	<p>Alanna Rebelo presented the motions to be considered by FOTP members. FOTP are trying to be as true to our constitution as possible, while making sure it works for the FOTP organisation. As a committee we have read the constitution, we have tabled problematic clauses. We discussed and word crafted amendments, and the committee had several months to consider these and propose edits. The reason we followed this process is that we do not have a formal membership, and this makes it difficult to present amendments to our membership. The amendments were sent to members that had registered for the AGM the day before this meeting to consider.</p> <p>We realise that this is short notice, and therefore the way we propose to handle this is that we read through each of the proposed changes one by one, and if everyone is happy (unanimous agreement) with the proposed change, we will accept the amendment, and officially pass it, and change our constitution. However if anyone raises a concern or issue, or would like to propose an amendment, then we will not vote on the particular amendment, but hear the comment of the member, and then take it back to our committee meeting to be discussed. This will then be tabled at the next AGM. The voting process was described: please vote 'yes' or 'no' in the chat, or make a comment in the chat, or alternatively please unmute and make your comment. Four changes/additions to the constitution were proposed:</p> <p><i>First proposed change:</i> "8.8 The term of office for each elected committee member shall be for a period of two (2) years, after which they shall be eligible for re-election for further terms of two (2) years each. The principle of rotation of committee Members is supported by FOTP." Votes: 25 votes yes. Changes to 8.8 adopted.</p> <p><i>Second proposed change:</i> "8.6 The Committee shall, from its ranks, elect a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary, together with such other office bearers as the Committee may from time to time deem fit. The committee shall be authorised after its election into office to co-opt a maximum of three (3) additional members for a specific portfolio, who shall have full voting rights at committee meetings. These members shall be co-opted should the committee members deem it necessary for furthering the objectives of FOTP."</p>

Votes: 22 votes yes.
Changes to 8.6 adopted.

Third proposed change: (addition)

“8.15 Termination of membership to the committee shall take place in the following instances:

When a member is absent from three (3) consecutive committee meetings without satisfactory explanation being given prior to the meeting;

On the death of a member or when a member is unable to continue in office by reason of mental defect or physical condition; or

A member may resign from the committee by giving the Chairperson notice.”

Votes: 22 votes yes.

Changes to 8.15 adopted.

Fourth proposed change: (addition)

“8.16 Subcommittees may be associated with a portfolio within the Friends of Tokai Park committee. The subcommittee should be led by a member of the Friends of Tokai Park committee, but members do not need to be committee members. This is a mechanism designed to encourage wider participation in our affairs through creating greater autonomy within the organisation.”

Votes: 19 votes yes. 1 comment that it needs to be considered further.

Alanna mentioned that there was one comment in the chat by Mike Hyde that this clause needs to be considered further, and therefore clause 8.16 will not be passed, but will be held over.

Berta made a comment: (transcribed)

- “You didn’t ask for comments on this proposal. You are writing me out as a leader of a subcommittee. I am for years, since the very beginning, the 2010 thing, I was the convenor of history. I am involved, have a permit from SANParks to be involved in the Tokai Arboretum. You are writing me out. At present I’m the chair of that committee. This is absolutely, not acceptable, to be so rude, to someone who is working for so many years for this movement. Please, it is not necessary that it should be led by a member of the committee. It can be a member of the FOTP. There is no place of history writing, even when you mention the four pillars in the beginning, history and the heritage of Tokai park was not list of your four pillars. You do not know what is going on in that section. And I really feel, this is unheard of, to just write someone out in this way. This is impossible it cannot be accepted...”

A point of order was made by the Chair (Tony). This edit to the constitution will only apply retrospectively.

A request was made by someone to clarify the wording.

Alanna mentioned that she had been interrupted and would like to finish. She stated that she had been trying to say that Mike Hyde had already made a comment that this clause needs to be considered further. Therefore, in line with the process outlined at the start of this part of the AGM, this particular amendment will not be passed, and will be discussed further, and we will bring this up at the next AGM.

Mike Hyde commented (transcribed): “My proposal is that this issue be reconsidered at the committee in the meantime, and submitted to a special general meeting, not to wait for the next AGM which will be in a year’s time. I think we need to get this thing sorted out asap rather than delaying it unnecessarily. I mean, you’ve heard Berta, let’s get this thing resolved as soon as possible”.

Alanna confirmed that this would be discussed at the next committee meeting,

	<p>and the committee could decide how to take this further.</p> <p>Therefore changes to 8.16 held over. It will be discussed at the next committee meeting, and the committee will decide whether it needs a special meeting, or whether it should simply not be added to the constitution.</p> <p>Everyone was thanked for their input. Three changes to the constitution were accepted and one deferred.</p>
7. Matters arising	No-one raised any matters.
8. Save the date: upcoming FOTP events	Alanna listed many exciting upcoming events, including our various hacks, as well as a night and mushroom walk. For dates and to sign up, please either visit our website, Facebook events page, or send us an e-mail.
9. Guest Talk & Questions	<p>Jenny Cullinan gave a talk entitled: "Restoring wild wisdom. Reclaiming the narrative of wild bees."</p> <p>The recording will be made available on our website for everyone to access.</p>
10. Close & Thanks	<p>Tony Rebelo thanked Jenny Cullinan for the great talk. Please do engage with Jenny and Ujubee further on their website: http://ujubee.com/. Please do consider making donations for their great work – they are entirely self-funded.</p> <p>Alanna thanked everyone for attending and reminded participants to please make donations to FOTP's amazing restoration work if they are able. The link to snapscan and bank details are available our website.</p> <p>Ended 9pm.</p>

Chairs Report

Chairs Report. Friends of Tokai Park.

(for period September 2020 to March 2021)

Tony Rebelo

The period under review is still dominated by Covid19, but at least things are returning to “a new normal”. So I hope that you are enjoying our second online AGM, and have your tea or wine in hand.

However, while we were under lockdown the plants continued growing. In Upper Tokai the alien infestations got totally out of hand, with dense, tall infestations posing a serious threat to the successful restoration of the Granite Fynbos. However, with the relaxing of Covid restrictions, SANParks has earmarked the area for urgent attention, and currently almost all the Peninsula Working for Water teams are active in the area. Some 70% of the area is now cleared, and it is hoped that most will be done before the Autumn recess.

By contrast, Lower Tokai is thriving. The aliens are largely under control, and we are nearly finished sweeping through the area with follow-up clearings. As excitingly, we have just had – on Tuesday 23 - a near perfect restoration burn done in the Prinskasteel Wetland Block. Well done SANParks. So it is into action with the restoration committee, and we will be undertaking plantings and surveys as the Fynbos recovers. In addition, SANParks is going to refresh the Restoration Trail soon, and replace the boardwalk.

An advance notice please. We will be taking part in the City Nature Challenge 2021. This competition of cities from around the world takes place from 30 April to 3 May. And if Covid allows we hope to have some day and night walks, and perhaps even mushroom foray. And if you can help or have ideas for fun activities, please contact us.

Hack Groups

Chainsaw Gang

by Jay Cowen

We had finished the initial clearing of the Upper Tokai C3a block (where the mountain bikers zig-zag and do crazy jumps) when the lockdown struck, and it was only a few months later when we were able to return there to do the follow-up clearing of re-growths and seedlings.

Once that was complete, we moved to the opposite side of the park and started clearing block B34 which was heavily infested with pines, eucalyptus, bottlebrush (and quite a few

puff-adders!). We had been busy there for about 6 sessions when contractors moved in and completed the block. So we then surveyed for a patch that was both accessible and suitable for amateur hackers i.e. one not completely overwhelmed by huge aliens and still possible to be cleared by volunteers mostly using hand tools and a couple of chainsaws for the larger nasties.

From this survey we identified block B24 which seemed to suit us perfectly, as it was only partially infested with small/ medium sized Longleaf Wattle, pines and a few gums. After discussing this with the local SANParks officials, we received approval to proceed and even had an onsite inspection with them one afternoon. We had spent no more than 3 Tuesday afternoons working this new site and were making great progress, when on the next Tuesday afternoon we arrived there to work only to find contractors onsite. A bit surprised by this, we nonetheless moved across to adjoining blocks B25 and B26 and commenced clearing there. Two sessions later the same thing happened.

In view of these developments we decided to suspend operations for a few weeks, but have now returned to these same blocks to do re-clearing of re-sprouting stumps and many aliens which had been missed in the initial clearing by the contractors. We expect to be engaged with this follow-up work for the foreseeable future.

Light Hacks

by Margaret Kahle

Tuesday Hacks:

(September 2020 to March 2021)

We have had 13 sessions of 2-3 hours each with an average of 9 hackers per session. Thus about 290 manhours.

We have had 4 sessions mopping up Golden Wattle in Block A7b (Paintball Block). This area is now clean; However, the adjacent A7a block still needs more work: the Golden Wattle was badly cleared by a contractor and the resprouts take time to remove, and there are some clusters of Port Jacksons (PJs).

We removed the invasive Thatching Reed *Thamnochortus* in Block A13. These were dug out and stacked.

A11, 12, 13 (W of Orpen Road) sweeping - mostly PJ, Longleaf Wattle and occasional pine. However, the PJs and gums were badly cleared and are horribly coppiced, most requiring poisoning and therefore left. Must come back as getting out of hand.

A13, 14, 18 (east of Orpen Road) sweeping - a few PJs, pines and French Broom. Clean apart from a few coppicing gums.

A15, 16 (Ondertuine) sweeping – mainly coppiced Port Jacksons removed, and a few Longleaf Wattles and pines. A few coppicing gums need attention from the chain-saw gang. Block A16 still requires more work, but A15 is clean.

In short, lower Tokai is largely clear of aliens except in A12 & A16, and a few gum trees. We only anticipate large numbers again following future prescribed and accidental burns. A few patches of Spanish Reed require attention.

Saturday Hacks:

As we traditionally close for the summer season, we only had 4 hacks during this period: September, October and November 2020 and March 2021. These totalled almost 200 manhours.

These focussed on the Fynbos patches around the Arboretum that we have kept clear of aliens (and thus clear of herbicides). Mostly Longleaf Wattle, pines, and PJs. Dense patches of PJ and gums surrounding these areas have been left for Working for Water.

Tokai Arboretum Hacks & Volunteers

by Berta van Rooyen

(September 2020 to March 2021: 347 manhours)

Date	Activity	Volunteers	Manhours
Sept. 2020-12 March 2021 (Excluding 25/12, 11/9;14/9; 8/2/2021, 12/2)	Hacking: Every Monday & Friday mornings for three hours of invasive new growth: (i) Treatment with herbicide of Hickory Wattle, Blackwood, Black Locust inside Arboretum; (ii) removal of invasive Outeniqua Yellowwood. Fuel reduction of sub-precincts and adjacent to Arboretum: Species correlate with species inside Arboretum. Also hundreds of Pride of Madeira; root and all removal of Spanish Broom, French Broom & Black Wattle. Saturdays: Pulling Cape Honeysuckle inside Arboretum or other urgent tasks.	48 days X 6 hours (average two: Michael, Berta ----- Emile, Berta. 20 x 2	264 40
27 Sept. 2020	Assessment of Arboretum with regards to fuel reduction: Walk: identification of problems and suggested remedies	Michael, Berta	4
29 Sept. 2020	Document Tokai Arboretum Work Assessment: recommendations for volunteers &/or clearing teams and mechanical intervention. With info grid.	Berta	6
Oct. 2020	Landscaping of entrance: Agreement. Not completed yet	Michael, Tony, Elmonique, Berta	
14 Oct. 2020	Rescue and planting of Yellowwood saplings. Watering of plants weekly by volunteers	Mike Golby, Emile, Berta. With interns	10
4 January 2021	Walk, assessment of development of <i>Pinus picea</i> section. Listing of trees present	Michael, Berta	3
4-6 January	Mapping of trees, adjustment and completion of	Berta	10

	1989 tree list for this area (including two visits)		
2020-2021	Liaison per e-mail with the Chair re. problem clearing issues of specific species; Mr. Van der Merwe, Departmental overseer of the Arboretum and other I & A persons. First focus recommended is fuel reduction. Planning will follow once the fuel load is drastically reduced and the Arboretum cleared of problem and invasive species. Exchange of information with others.		
Oct. 2020; March 2021	Clearing teams inside Arboretum: working together with SANParks & teams	Berta	10

History Research and Heritage Subcommittee.

by Berta van Rooyen

(September 2020 to March 2021: 86 manhours)

Date	Activity	Volunteers & time involved	Manhours
17 Sept. 2020	Heritage Tokai Park information session, Xolisa Sigili, SANParks.	Berta	3
24 Sept. 2020	Heritage Day: Clearing sub-precinct next to Arboretum	Emile, Michael Berta (3 x 3)	9
25 Sept. 2020	Compiled and submitted document to Heritage Western Cape and others: "Why the Princess Vlei legend cannot be regarded as a history record in the process of nominating the Princess Vlei as a heritage site"	Berta. (Researched during lock-down. Mike G., Michael, Emile involved)	5
Sept./Oct. 2020	Indexing etc. about 70 books. Received 57 books& pamphlets (Donated to collection for interns from Drr. Tony & Pat Rebelo.	Berta	15
23-25 Oct. 2020	Covering of books and applying colour codes	Jessie (3) Berta (9)	12
30 Oct 2020	Ceremony Tokai Park: presenting books. Dr Rebelo also invited.	Jessie, Mike, Michael, Berta	1
31 Oct. 2020	Walk: introducing Mike G. & Jessie Phillips to Upper Tokai & Arboretum: Emile	Mike, Jessie, Emile, Berta	2
Dec. 2020	Update Arboretum map for noticeboard: Editing tree list several times - Michael Adjust tree list after 2002 list, corrections etc.	Emile (10-20) Michael (6) Berta (4)	31+

25 Jan. 2021	Tree-lists bound & issued at meeting after pulling. Joined by Jannie du Plessis, SANParks.	Michael, Berta Harry & Jannie du Plessis	
18-22 Jan 2021	Updating Noticeboard together with SANParks	Michael (1) Berta (1) Emile -advice	2
30 Jan 2021	Meeting: Terms of Reference, Heritage of Tokai Park including Tokai Arboretum (2 hours) Drafting Terms of Reference (few hours)	Michael, Emile Berta Berta (4)	6
24 Feb. 2021 4 March 2021	Requested information from SANParks about possible concession. Answers: (i) SANParks will move into new office as soon as CCT connected electricity. (ii) The Manor House environs, its gardens, parking (for Arboretum) and Listers to be put out for PPP concession. Arboretum not included. PPP planning cannot happen due to uncertainty related to Covid 19. (iii) Damage reported of Arboretum Info centre (4/2). Budget for repairs approved (5/3).	Berta	1/2
Oct 2020 - Feb.2021. Mailed 9 March 2021	Tokai Park heritage project: Research and writing in between. About 70 tangible and intangible markers, their heritage status, history, significance and condition where applicable.	Berta	Many days with several hours per day.
3 March 2021	Morton Arboretum (US) Accreditation Program: Liaison to list Tokai Arboretum. Discussions in beginning phase with Field office. Elmonique requested a meeting.	Group. (Michael, Emile, Berta)	

Wildlife Quiz

by Leila Mitrani

The Wildlife Quiz fundraiser was held at the end of November over Zoom and used the Kahoot app to allow people to answer questions. Questions were timed and points given for answering fastest. 46 people in 12 teams had an evening of fun with some challenging questions about Fynbos and Tokai Park. Prizes were generously sponsored by Cape Nature, SANParks, The Botanical Society, Natural Born Pets, Clean My Bed, Ice Cream Lovers and VovoTelo. A big thank you to them. Overall, R2000 was raised for restoration. Congratulations to team *Diastella* for winning first prize.

Web Page

by Mike Golby

Medical issues knocked me out from September to March, but I continued to administer the site, which takes a couple of hours weekly and is paid up until 2023, and I and the site are now fully operational.

Regrettably, my absence precluded me continuing work with Alberta and Mike Hyde on the Heritage subcommittee and at the Arboretum. Alberta has kept me fully informed of progress and the subcommittee will continue to bring our heritage to the site through 2021.

Alanna continued to commission editorial and articles on the Cape Flats Silky-puff, Cape Town's Draft Climate Change Strategy, our Sentinel-2 Web app used to monitor invasive-alien tree growth at Tokai Park, and SANParks' restoration burn, were published. Further articles are in preparation.

As for site administration, I have reconfigured the site for Page Load speed and Google rankings and, as far as the former is concerned, we now load 5 seconds faster than comparable sites.

Restoration Committee

With the commencement of SANParks prescribed burns (delayed by the drought and by Covid), the Restoration Committee has been reconvened. The focus has been on Block A9 – the Prinskasteel Wetlands which is due for its burn in April (and was burned on 23 March). This block contains the most extensive plantings of the Whorled Heath, an experimental planting of three cultivars (Pretoria, Kirstenbosch, Vienna) on the south banks of the wetland. These will be monitored in 2022 for regeneration. Species lists have been compiled and Kirstenbosch horticulturalists are sourcing and preparing seeds, cuttings and seedlings of threatened Red List species recorded in Cape Flats Sand Fynbos in the area. We also hope to involve some smaller local nurseries in the programme. Plantings will take place when the soils are moist enough for plant survival (usually July). Volunteers are welcome.

Walks & Surveys

We held our Spring Walk on 19 September. The flower displays were splendid this year.

We had two Night Walks (27 Oct and 3 Nov), one in lower and one in upper Tokai, which netted a variety of creatures, including what looked like a Western Leopard Toad migration up Constantiaberg. Unfortunately our December nightwalk was postponed due to Covid restrictions.

No bioblitzes or species surveys were undertaken during the period, but observations continue to be posted on our iNaturalist project at <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/tokai-park-restoration-study> which now contains over 14,000 observations of over 1000 species contributed by 126 observers.

Membership & Media

by Alanna Rebelo

Our membership currently sits at 242 people subscribed to our mailing list.

18 e-mails were sent out to members via mailchimp during the period featuring over 30 events.

Some 13 blog posts made on our website (most written by Alanna or Tony Rebelo)

We appeared at least three times in newspapers (Cape Argus, Cape Times, CBB), and Morgan Trimble featured us on the website of International League of Conservation Photographers.

Facebook: 1975 likes, 2085 followers

Twitter: 52 followers

Instagram: 316 followers

We applied for and got:

2020: CTEET Small Grant; British Ecological Society Outreach Grants

2021: Izele Small Grant

We also have a few applications for other grants.

Thank you everyone for your attention.

Many thanks to SANParks management and research for their assistance, guidance and permits, and allowing us to enjoy our activities at Tokai. To everyone who contributed to 2020-21 activities, and especially our organizers and the committees, a heartfelt thanks for making it all happen.

Don't forget the City Nature Challenge: please diarize 30 April -3 May.

Tony Rebelo

March 2021

FRIENDS OF TOKAI PARK

CASH FLOW FOR YEAR : 1st March 2020- -- 28th February 2021

Funds brought forward from prior year end 29th Feb '20 : R52 092

INCOME :

Donations	3 389
Snapscan	541
BDG project income	3 860
CTEET grant	11 204
Izele grant	22 000
Quiz event	2 000
Interest	6 <u>43 000</u>

EXPENDITURE:

BDG project expenses	53 370
Izele contractor paid	10 000
Website cost	8 260
Bank charges	290
Hacking expenses	1 228
Printing	242
Zoom meeting costs	600..... <u>(73 990)</u>

NET EXPENDITURE FOR PERIOD = (30 990)

FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD = R21 102

Funds at Standard Bank : R20 926

Cash float - Jay 176

Total funds held = R21 102

at year end

List of Participants and Registrants

List of participants: 35 people participated

#	Name	Surname
1	Vard	Aman
2	Penny	Brown
3	Susan	Burden
4	Philippa	Clemo
5	Jay	Cowen
6	Jenny	Cullinan
7	Jeremy	Gilmore
8	Hillary	Gilmore
9	Mike	Golby
10	Santie	Gouws
11	William	Greig
12	Hanneke	Hawkes
13	Sally	Hey
14	Linda	Hibbin
15	Andrew	Hodgson
16	Heather	Hodgson
17	Patricia	Holmes
18	Michael	Hyde
19	Margaret	Kahle
20	Helen	Kleynhans
21	Tlou	Masehela
22	Lyn	McCallum
23	Leila	Mitrani
24	Angela	Niehaus
25	Zoe	Poulsen
26	Ian	Preston
27	Alanna	Rebelo
28	Anthony	Rebelo
29	James	Rodger
30	Karin	Sternberg
31	Diana	Thomson
32	Emile	van Rooyen
33	Berta	van Rooyen
34	Ann-Gail	Watson
35	Jackie	Whales

List of registrants who didn't attend: 13

#	Name	Surname
1	Eion	Brown
2	Dave	Cowley
3	Joy	Currie
4	Karen	Galt
5	Cathy	Kerr
6	Jennifer	Knight
7	Carol	Metcalf
8	Jenny	Mockford
9	Buddy	Mockford
10	Terry	Murpy
11	Mashudu	Ndanduleni
12	Charmaine	Odendaal
13	Suzanne	Tuckniss

Copy of Chat

Welcome and register

19:02:00 From anthony rebele to Everyone : Hello: Welcome to the 2021 Friends of Tokai Park Annual General Meeting

19:03:25 From anthony rebele to Everyone : Please feel free to add items to chat Please start by registering a hello!

19:03:44 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : Hello

19:03:51 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : hi everyone - Pat here!

19:04:51 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Hello everyone

19:06:09 From Vard to Everyone : Hi everyone.

I see mouths moving but I can't hear anything...

19:06:14 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : Hi!

19:07:40 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Vard is it working now?

19:08:58 From Vard to Everyone : Nope. My mic isn't working either. Except it says my speakers are working fine :-/

19:09:07 From anthony rebele to Everyone : Screen fine ...

19:12:27 From Vard to Everyone : I can hear now.

19:15:24 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : pat rebele

19:15:30 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : Zoe Poulsen

19:15:32 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Mike Golby

19:15:34 From William Greig to Everyone : William Greig

19:15:35 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : santie gouws

19:15:36 From Jackie Whales to Everyone : Jackie Whales

19:15:37 From James Rodger to Everyone : James Rodger

19:15:38 From Ann-Gail Watson to Everyone : Ann-Gail Wason

19:15:41 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : Hanneke Hawkes

19:16:00 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : Leila Mitrani

19:16:06 From Sally Hey to Everyone : Hi everyone - Sally Hey.

19:16:11 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Penny Brown and Ian Preston

19:16:21 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : Philippa Clemo

19:16:27 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : Jeremy Gilmore, Hillary Gilmore

19:16:39 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Mike Hyde

19:16:39 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : Angela Niehaus Bergvliet Lions Club Also Environment Chairperson for Lionc CLub Int District 410W

19:16:40 From Vard to Everyone : Vard Aman

19:17:41 From Lyn McCallum to Everyone : Hello from Lyn McCallum

19:18:52 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : Helen Kleynhans

19:18:52 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : Andrew and Heather Hodgson in attendance. Greetings to all...

19:19:26 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : Greetings from Linda Hibbin, present at this AGM

Acceptance of AGM minutes 2020

19:21:48 From Sally Hey to Everyone : accepted

19:21:56 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : I second

Acceptance of chair's report 2020

19:22:47 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : Will you be recording the talk too? And, if so, will that be on YouTube for us all to see later?

19:23:11 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Yes, we will be :)

19:26:27 From Vard to Everyone : Night walk at Lower Tokai for the City Nature Challenge proposed for Saturday night (1 May). Watch this space...

19:26:58 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Yay thanks Vard!

19:27:29 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : To those who have just joined, please pop your names in the chat for our attendance register. Thanks!

19:27:44 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Welcome everyone to the FOTP AGM 2021 :)

19:47:58 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : Accepted

19:48:04 From Vard to Everyone : Seconded

19:51:29 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : Yes: I did mention the spring survey. thanks.

Acceptance of financials 2020

19:56:22 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Accept

19:56:38 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Seconded.

Voting on new office bearer

19:59:34 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Yes.

19:59:34 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Yes

19:59:34 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : yes
19:59:35 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : yes
19:59:36 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : Yes
19:59:37 From James Rodger to Everyone : Yes
19:59:38 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : yes
19:59:40 From Sally Hey to Everyone : yes
19:59:40 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : Yes
19:59:41 From Vard to Everyone : Yes
19:59:41 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : yes
19:59:41 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : yes
19:59:41 From Diana Thomson to Everyone : yes
19:59:43 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : yes
19:59:43 From William Greig to Everyone : Yes
19:59:44 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : yes
19:59:45 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : Yes x2
19:59:47 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : yes
19:59:48 From Susan Burden to Alanna Rebelo(Direct Message) : yes
19:59:51 From Lyn McCallum to Everyone : yes
19:59:56 From Jay Cowen to Everyone : yes
19:59:56 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Yes x 2
20:00:14 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Yes
20:00:53 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : Welcome Leila
20:01:29 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : Thank you All!

Voting on first proposed amendment to the constitution.

20:04:20 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : tes
20:04:21 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : Yes
20:04:23 From William Greig to Everyone : Yes
20:04:25 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : yes
20:04:25 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : yes
20:04:25 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : yes
20:04:26 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : yes

20:04:26 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Yes.
20:04:26 From Sally Hey to Everyone : yes
20:04:28 From James Rodger to Everyone : Yes
20:04:29 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Yes
20:04:30 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : No objection to the proposed motion.
20:04:31 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : yes
20:04:32 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Yes
20:04:32 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : Yes
20:04:35 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : yes
20:04:37 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : yes
20:04:39 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : yes
20:04:45 From Vard to Everyone : Yes
20:04:48 From Jay Cowen to Everyone : yes
20:05:34 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : 1. Adopted
20:05:36 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Yes

Voting on second amendment to the constitution.

20:06:16 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : yes
20:06:33 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : yes
20:06:34 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : yes
20:06:35 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Yes
20:06:37 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : yes
20:06:37 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : Yes
20:06:38 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : Yes
20:06:38 From William Greig to Everyone : Yes
20:06:38 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Yes
20:06:39 From Sally Hey to Everyone : yes
20:06:39 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : yes
20:06:39 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : yes
20:06:39 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Yes
20:06:41 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : yes
20:06:42 From Vard to Everyone : Yes

20:06:44 From James Rodger to Everyone : yes
20:06:45 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : yes
20:06:47 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : yes
20:06:51 From Jay Cowen to Everyone : yes
20:06:53 From Ian Preston to Everyone : 8.6 - Yes
20:07:02 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : 8.6 adopted

Voting on third amendment to the constitution.

20:07:34 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Yes
20:07:50 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : yes
20:07:53 From Sally Hey to Everyone : yes
20:07:54 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Yes.
20:07:54 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : yes
20:07:54 From Ian Preston to Everyone : 8.15 - Yes
20:07:55 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : yes
20:07:55 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : yes
20:07:56 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : 8.15
20:07:56 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : 8.15: yes
20:07:56 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : yes
20:07:58 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Yes
20:07:58 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : yes
20:07:59 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : yes
20:08:01 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : yes
20:08:01 From Patricia Holmes to Everyone : yes
20:08:04 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : yes
20:08:08 From Jay Cowen to Everyone : yes
20:08:09 From Vard to Everyone : Yes
20:08:15 From James Rodger to Everyone : yes
20:08:21 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : 8.15 Adopted

Voting on fourth amendment to the constitution.

20:09:29 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : yes
20:09:35 From Linda Hibbin to Everyone : yes

20:09:38 From Sally Hey to Everyone : yes
20:09:39 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : 8.16
20:09:39 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : yes
20:09:40 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : yes
20:09:41 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Yes
20:09:42 From Helen Kleynhans to Everyone : yes
20:09:42 From James Rodger to Everyone : yes
20:09:43 From Zoe Poulsen to Everyone : 8.16: Yes
20:09:43 From Vard to Everyone : Yes
20:09:44 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : yes
20:09:45 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : yes
20:09:45 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : yes
20:09:47 From Hanneke Hawkes to Everyone : yes
20:09:47 From Ian Preston to Everyone : 8.16 - Yes
20:09:49 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : 8,16 Yes
20:09:51 From William Greig to Everyone : Yes
20:09:53 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Re 8.6 needs to be considered further. Refer to Special General Meeting ASAP. I support sub Comms
20:10:18 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : 8.16
20:10:59 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : 8.16 held over ...

The guest talk and questions

20:16:56 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : If you have any questions for Jenny about her talk, please add them to the chat, and we will ask her after the talk.
20:42:43 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : Any questions: please use the chat:
20:44:04 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : I have a question: where did you find the nest at Tokai? Was it in rocks?
20:44:26 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Another question: can solitary bees sting?
20:44:29 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Thank you for the really interesting talk. What is your view of so called 'bee hotels'?
20:45:31 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : I have two box hive in the garden and just put up a bee hotel in my tree in garden, so very interesting talk
20:45:55 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Periodic fires are important for fynbos health. What is the impact of fires of bee nests?
20:47:19 From Ian Preston to Everyone : *on bee nests?

20:47:35 From Vard to Everyone : Do solitary bee stings also have barbs?

20:51:55 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Question: I'm always curious about the impact of domestic honey bees being brought into fynbos areas, and the potential impacts. (1) Do we know anything more about the impacts? (a few years ago at the Fynbos Forum you mentioned we only really had anecdotal evidence), any students working on this? and (2) how is the movement of domestic honey bees regulated in RSA (specifically the W Cape).

20:52:16 From Ian Preston to Everyone : How many nest sites have you found in Cape Point? (If you are allowed to reveal this information.)

20:52:44 From Ian Preston to Everyone : Thank you for your answers, Jenny, they are much appreciated!

20:52:56 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Yes, fantastic :)

20:53:46 From Tlou Masehela to Everyone : We currently have two projects on this matter in the WC

20:54:04 From Tlou Masehela to Everyone : one funded through SANBI, collaboration with CPUT

20:54:14 From Tlou Masehela to Everyone : the other is through Stellenbosch and ARC

20:54:25 From Tlou Masehela to Everyone : both at MSc level

20:54:32 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Interesting, thanks Tlou. Will like to see those results!

20:55:29 From Tlou Masehela to Everyone : Always welcome. Will definitely share

20:56:59 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : So interesting, thanks Jenny!

20:58:18 From Ian Preston to Everyone : People promote gum trees for honey bees. What impact does the promotion of gum trees for honey bees have on solitary bees and wild honey bees?

20:59:21 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : We removed a bee hive after 9 months in our garden, when we saw fewer solitary bees. Is there research on bee varieties in urban gardens too? Keeping a dry garden helps

20:59:28 From Sally Hey to Everyone : Such an interesting talk. And good questions with excellent responses from Jenny. And will be interesting to follow up with results of MSc research through Tlou.

21:05:56 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : Wow that was a fascinating presentation, thanks Jenny! We like the suggestion of bee-watching, sounds fun.

21:06:51 From Alanna Rebelo to Everyone : Thank you Jenny! Please support the great work at: www.ujubee.com

21:07:02 From Leila Mitrani to Everyone : Thank you, Jenny!

21:07:05 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Thanks so much, Jenny ... you gave me an in-person introduction to wild honey bees over a couple of hours down at Cape Point several months ago. Subsequently, I've not viewed them in the same way. Even so, this presentation was absolutely awesome ... nay, mind-blowing :-).

21:07:15 From James Rodger to Everyone : Thanks so much for a great talk, Jenny!

21:07:33 From Karen Galt to Everyone : Well done Jen

21:08:00 From Philippa Clemo to Everyone : Thanks Jenny - wonderful photography and knowledge!

21:08:08 From Michael Hyde to Everyone : Great talk. Thank you.

21:08:21 From Angela Niehaus to Everyone : fascinating talk Jenny thank you

21:09:31 From Santie Gouws to Everyone : thanks, very insightful!

21:09:38 From Margaret Kahle to Everyone : Such an interesting and fascinating talk. Thank you very much

21:09:48 From Jeremy Gilmore to Everyone : Thank you!

21:10:00 From Andrew and Heather Hodgson to Everyone : Good night All and thanks to Committee for hard work

21:11:46 From Vard to Everyone : Photographing bees is haaard

21:12:09 From anthony rebelo to Everyone : Thank you everyone! See you in Tokai - at our next event.

21:13:24 From Mike Golby to Everyone : Thanks all ... good night :-)