

**THE STABLE FLY ACTION GROUP INC  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
AT  
GRANVILLE CIVIC CENTRE  
GINGIN  
22 September 2009**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT**

Professor Ian Dadour, Dr David Cook & Alexandra Knight, Centre for Forensic Science, UWA; Shire of Gingin CEO S Fraser; Shire of Gingin PEHO W Harris; D Peckitt, DOH; B Paulin, DAFWA; SFAG Committee B Wilson, A Sibbel, J Ottaway, R Beale, K Goh, B McCarthy, B White, R Withnell and SFAG members D Roe, V Royle, A Wilson, F Sibbel, G Blane, K Michailidis, M Carlton, S Neville, W West, J Longman, Brad Leeson, Bob Leeson

**APOLOGIES**

Hon T Redman, Minister for Agriculture; Hon Grant Woodhams, Member for Moore; Hon Dr M Washer, Federal Member for Moore; Hon F Alban, Member for Swan Hills; Nicole Fernandes, Policy Officer to Minister for Agriculture; S Ali, PEHO City of WN; Cr W Fewster, President, Shire of GG; R O'Dwyer, Director Regional Services DAFWA (retired); & SFAG Members S & E de Burgh, S & G Grant, L Kelly, J & D Park, M & C Borwick

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AGM 2008**

B Mc Carthy, 2<sup>nd</sup> R Withnell

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil

**AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT**

Given by Treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> B White

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Given by Chairman B Wilson. Copy attached.

**ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

Conducted by Shire of Gingin CEO S Fraser.

Chairman : B Wilson nominated and elected unopposed.

Deputy Chairman : A Sibbel nominated and elected unopposed.

Secretary/Treasurer : J Ottaway nominated and elected unopposed.

Committee

R Beale, K Goh, B McCarthy, B White and R Withnell all accepted nomination from the Chairman and were reelected.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Professor Ian Dadour, Director, Centre for Forensic Science, UWA

Professor Dadour gave an entertaining and informative presentation on his past work on stable flies for the Department of Agriculture and Shire of Gingin,

and present work for the Water Corporation pertaining to stable flies in biosolids.

He also spoke about chemical and forensic analysis work his department is currently doing on manure, which has the ability to determine its source.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### *Membership fees*

Moved Chairman B Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> B White, that membership fees remain at \$10 per person for the 2009/10 financial year. Meeting approved.

### *Shire of Gingin Information Bulletin Reports -*

Shire of Gingin PEHO W Harris advised that Shire staff had decided that monthly Stable Fly Reports in the Shire's Information Bulletin should contain a year to date total of stable fly complaints.

### *Interagency Committees on Nitrates and Raw Poultry Manure*

D Peckitt gave updated information on the interagency report on nitrates which has been sent to Cabinet, and advised that the Department of Health will be making a submission on the report.

### *Update from Office of Minister for Agriculture*

Chairman read *Update on Issues for the Stable Fly Action Group August 2009* received from Nicole Fernandes from the office of the Minister for Agriculture on the two separate interagency working groups which have been formed to deal with the raw poultry manure and nitrates issues, namely :

- The Cross Industry Chicken Litter Advisory Committee, and
- The Interagency Working Group on Nitrate Pollution of Groundwater in Carabooda

### *Organic Waste Strategy*

D Peckitt strongly recommended, supported by B Paulin, that the Department of Environment and Conservation be persuaded to revisit its Organic Waste Strategy and urged the SFAG Committee to lobby them to this end, and also to include all organic waste.

## CLOSE

With no further business, Chairman B Wilson thanked all those present and closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

## SUPPER

Supper and informal discussions took place afterwards.

