

Forestry Australia Tas. Branch

Annual General Meeting

AGENDA

1:00 – 1:30 pm, Friday 11 November 2022, Teams Meeting.

1. Present:

Molly Marshall **Chair**

Stephen Clarke **Acting Secretary**

Greg Chatwin

Robin Dickson

Brodie Frost

Bonnie Galbraith

Chris Grove

Sandra Hetherington

Nick Martyn

Nick Steel

Peter Volker

Jim Wilson

2. Apologies:

Jarrold Burn

Bob Gordon

Stephen Rymer

3. Minutes of previous AGM (21 September 2021). Tabled for acceptance.
(Mov. Jim Wilson / Sec. Robin Dickson)

4. Chair's Report 2021/22. Tabled for acceptance (Appendix 1).

Motion of thanks to Molly Marshall for a job well done as Tasmanian Division Chair. From the perspective of the VP Forestry Australia the sentiment is that Molly has done a fabulous job at stepping up to the plate as a young leader in our sector and we are delighted to see her shine. At no stage has the Tasmania Division been on better show than through the conference in Tasmania last year and again through her attendance at the symposium at Albury a few weeks ago.

(Mov. Jim Wilson / Sec. Greg Unwin)

5. Nomination of committee members 2022/23

Existing committee members are deemed to have renominated unless they advised otherwise (Appendix 2).

Nigel Calvert has withdrawn himself from the Committee. Motion of thanks to Nigel Calvert for his significant contribution to Forestry Australia and its predecessors both as a committee member and president. Nigel is currently working with FA National with their Tree Growers Group.

(Mov. Molly / Sec. Greg Unwin)

6. Nomination / Election of office bearers 2022

No nominations received for Chair, Deputy Chair or Secretary; existing members continue.

New Committee Member Bonnie Galbraith

(Mov. Robin Dickson / Sec. Stephen Clarke)

7. General Business

- a. "Strategy on a Page" tabled for acceptance (Appendix 3)
- b. Jim Wilson has approached Minister for Resources Felix Ellis to attend an FA Tas Branch Dinner meeting on the NW Coast during 2023.
ACTION (All): Dinner meeting to be held during 2023
- c. **ACTION (Molly Marshall):** Agenda item for next meeting to develop an events plan for the Tasmanian Branch.
- d. Query as to status of rotating Secretary Role.
ACTION (Bonnie Galbraith): Bonnie Galbraith will informally fill the role when she is able to, noting that it will not be her sole responsibility.
ACTION (All): Members of the committee including vice chair will step up to take minutes in Bonnie's absence and when otherwise necessary.
- e. Query as to status of FA Tas Constitution. No Constitution for Tasmania; Branch falls under FA National Constitution being in effect sub-committees of National.

Meeting closed at 1:20pm

Appendix 1 - Chairs report 2021/2022

The 2021 Annual General Meeting saw Dr. Martin Moroni resign from his position as Chair after serving the position for several years. I would like to thank Martin for his invaluable contribution and leadership of the Tasmanian branch especially through the challenging times of COVID-19. Further, I would also like to thank Jim Wilson for his time spent as Deputy Chair and Greg Unwin for his time spent being the secretary, a position which Greg had held for over twenty years. Molly Marshall was nominated as the new Chair of the committee, with Nick Martyn obtaining the position of deputy chair. The secretary position has been turned into an informal position fulfilled by a different committee member every meeting. The committee was fortunate to have Brodie Frost and Jarrod Burn join the branch at the AGM, both bring a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm for the future of the group. The format of committee meetings has changed with meetings now occurring quarterly and a sub-committee being introduced to help deliver outputs in-between the main meetings.

The branch has continued to support the Tasmanian forest management companies through providing letters of support to their certification stakeholders. Further, a contribution to the annual PFT levy Rate was submitted. Moving forward I would like to continue to deliver support which is in-line with the objectives of the National Forestry Australia objectives.

Over the past year the committee has worked hard to create structure, purpose, and intent behind future events. Key to this was sending out a survey to all our members, the results received allowed a greater understanding of what exactly members wanted. This survey is integral for the branch moving forward to ensure our resources and time is effectively used to develop specific strategies which correlate directly to our members needs and wants; In the years to come I hope to report directly on these.

An outcome of our discussions and review of the survey results is we are now focusing on collaboration and delivering events which will fulfil a particular cohort of members i.e., growers, foresters. The committee has been able to successfully organise a collaboration with the TFFPN, with the joint hosting of a breakfast the morning of the TFFPN Vision 2050 Forum, the breakfast will be informal and will have three panellists, two of which are members of Forestry Australia. The sub-committee is also busy in the planning stage of organising an exciting field day to finish the end of 2022 with. Now all the ground work has been done I look forward to rolling out insightful and interactive field days and or events into 2023 which will help fulfil our current members needs and hopefully continue to grow our membership in Tasmania.

Molly Marshall

Committee Chair, Tasmanian Branch Forestry Australia

Appendix 2 - Executive members of the committee 2022/23

Molly Marshall	Chair	molly.marshall@pft.tas.gov.au
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Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Our Purpose

We support the National Forestry Australia office achieve its objectives through facilitation in Tasmania.

Our Objectives

Goal 1 :

To conduct one event a year targeted at forest growers members, which uses the 2022 TAS survey results to inform the event.

Goal 2 :

To conduct one event a year targeted at forestry professional/ student members, which uses the 2022 TAS survey results to inform the event.

Goal 3 :

Work collaboratively with the forestry industry and other relevant sectors to deliver any events which take place throughout the year.

Goal 4 :

To maintain the current membership numbers in Tasmania and continually work to increase these numbers.