

Promotion and Development Report for 15th Sept 2011

General Comments

Thanks to both Ian Dodd and Kathy Liley for handling the finances while Ruth has been overseas. Job well done by both of them.

Tertiary sessions:

- Aust Cath University – (20) Watsons Glen

School Sessions

- Glen Eira SC – Brimbank Pk
- CRC Melton – Brimbank Pk
- Fountain Gate SC – Gilwell Pk x 2 gps
- St Anthony's Coptic Orthodox School – Gilwell Pk

School Mapping

Martin Steer has completed a map of - Mt Evelyn Christian School.

Victorian Schools O Team 2011

The final team names have been sent thru to ASOC coordinator (Nick Dent), waiting for tax Invoice to be emailed out - for costs.

One payment not received yet - from Emily Hennessy.

RE advice received from Mandy Hennessy that she (and the Team) will not be staying for the relays etc etc.....

Rather than hone in and try and make changes to the attitude and actions of the Team Manager etc. I strongly recommend that the VOA Board undertakes to review the roles of the Management Team and establish criteria for inclusion of all events and all students. A change in the appointment system of the management team should be discussed along the lines of setting up an annual reapplication process for these positions. This will enable new people to possibly become involved and new ideas, new expectations and maybe a change in attitudes to be encouraged.

Sport & Recreation Victoria.

I met with our SRV Consultant (Sue Tymms) on Wednesday 31st August in the OV Office.

Sue meets regularly with all the sports she is responsible for. She mentioned that she is happy to meet occasionally because she views Orienteering to be a sport which is well run – she mentioned that some sports require very regular meetings (every 4 – 6 wks) needing far more assistance than we do.

The main topic of discussion was the TRANSIT projects.

1. She was impressed with the MelBushO series report.
2. Re the TORS (Online Registration System) – I presented the updated schedule and details from Craig (many thanks). Sue acknowledged the frustration we have had with the first project manager resigning. Her advice is that this is a BIG project for us and rather than try and rush the research and development it is essential for us to take our time and do the job well. It is ok for the project to run into 2012.

I enquired about future SRV grants for 2012 and beyond. The new Government is not ready to consider NEW projects yet and the SRV consultants feel that it will be another 'roll over' for possibly 6 months (i.e. up to June 30th 2012). Sue will advise as soon as she knows the direction for the future grants.

GRANTS

1. SRV Flood Recovery Grant

The \$792 for permanent course posts has been received from DPCD . Tuckonie will organise the construction of delivery of 3 replacement posts. OV will be invoiced directly. For the costs. TKOC will fund the installation by a contractor and any additional materials required (cement).

2. Local Sporting Champions Grant - \$3000.

(Australian Sports Commission)

This grant is available for Victorian Schools Teams travelling interstate. Money to be used for travel, accommodation and uniform expenses. About 9 months ago I applied for this grant. Heard NOTHING and so had forgotten about it - until 2 weeks ago when I received a letter saying I'd been successful!!!! The \$3000 has been paid into OV bank account. It is my recommendation that the money be held until AFTER ASOC and then distributed evenly to all Team members and Reserves. (NB ASOC coordinator keeps sending emails about additional costs he'd forgotten to include in the original figures!- so it is best to hold of repayments until all expenditure has been received).

SILVA Support

Tuesday 6th September I met with Glenn Thomson, who has taken over as National Outdoor Recreation Manager for Fiskars, from Nic Naes.

I provided background information and statistics on the breadth of promotional work done through VOA schools – and the opportunities for showcasing Silva products.

Glenn is very happy to be involved with the Schools Program – he will continue to provide prizes, result slats, signage for Primary and Secondary Championships and wants to also support the Schools MTBO championships.

A worthwhile meeting!

Cardinia Reservoir Park and Lysterfield Park.

Parks Victoria (Eastern Metro) are issuing me with permits for December 2011 for Lysterfield Park.

Cardinia Res Pk is still a no go.

I have begun remapping Cardinia Res Pk in readiness for access. It is to be noted that NO reconstruction work has taken place on any of the walking tracks.

*Peta Whitford
13th September 2011*

CORRESPONDENCE

DPCD - \$6600 SRV – OSG grant
\$8250 SRV – Transit projects grant

Vic Environmental Assessment Council – Melb Metropolitan Investigation Report on use of public land.

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