



## **Board Meeting Overview**

### **April 2019 in St George**

#### **Trading Name**

The board has voted that the new company trading name is *Southern Queensland Landscapes*, shortened to *SQ Landscapes*. This will be updated on all public forums in the coming weeks.

#### **Membership and Engagement Committee**

The Board have accepted the four (4) nominations of MaryLou Gittins, Steve Keating, Alistair Silcock and Alana Brosnan as members of the Membership and Engagement Committee.

#### **Maranoa Kangaroo Harvesters and Growers Co-operative**

Discussions were held about the correspondence received from the Maranoa Kangaroo Harvesters and Growers Co-operative. Director Ann Noon gave an overview of the situation.

Started in 2007 with financial support from the National Landcare Assn, the Co-operative was formed in Mitchell in 2009 providing Kangaroo meat for pet food and to the hospitality trade. All meat is processed in Ipswich at the Game Meats Abattoir. The co-operative is now seeking to increase the capacity of landowners.

- Currently there are 4 boxes in Mitchell.
- The Co-operative helps members with tyres and registration and this in turn helps the towns in the area.
- Membership of the Co-operative is \$50 per annum.
- An app is available for uploading of details for where and what type of Kangaroos are taken.
- The situation with wild goats around Charleville being pests and now are being processed for income provides the Co-operative with an example to follow with Kangaroos.
- Challenges faced are: Mitigation of permits, cluster fencing, public relations, animal welfare, and how to become sophisticated with the consumption of Kangaroo meat.
- Need to establish the product into everyday shopping and an export market exists.
- Product needs to be controlled on farm and harvested on farm with traceability.

Directors spoke in favour of the opportunity that exists.

Board requested SQ Landscapes Chair speak with the Hon. Minister David Littleproud to provide support for this proposal.

That the Board will write to the Maranoa Kangaroo Harvesters and Growers Co-operative advising of our support in their application for overseas markets and further advising that the SQ Landscapes Board would like to meet with them in Mitchell in July. Every endeavour will be made to meet with the State minister in Charleville and report back to the next SQ Landscapes meeting in May.

### **Strategic Plan Update and Workshop attendance**

Board members who will be attending strategic planning workshops within the region:

Jondaryan (Chris Joseph)

**WHERE:** The Woolshed at Jondaryan.

264 Jondaryan Evanslea Rd Jondaryan 4403

**WHEN:** Wednesday 15th May, 2019 from 1 - 4pm

Charleville (TBA)

**WHERE:** Queensland Parks & Wildlife / SQNRM Office Boardroom in Charleville.

Address: Park Street, Charleville Qld 4470

**WHEN:** Thursday 23rd May, 2019 from 1 - 4pm

All members of SQ Landscapes are invited to attend these last two workshops, as well as community members who have a genuine interest in building our company's strategic outlook.

### **Constitutional Working Group**

The Board discussed the strategic importance of the Working Group and will invite a formal person or Statesperson onto this Working Group. Suggested persons of interest include: Mary Woods, David Edwards, Bill Douglas, Jock Douglas, and Ray Brown. As there is limited time to commence work on this matter, it was resolved to commence communication with Mary Wood and David Edwards. These people are in addition to Louise Skidmore and Glenys Bowtell who have already joined the group.

### **Potential Business Opportunities**

The Board endorsed the development of a business case and grant application for the Queensland Government's Waste to Biofuels Fund Grant round.

### **Office Location Update**

Board noted that SQNRM is now in new building in Charleville. Will accommodate up to (6) six people.

- Graduates to be placed at “Croxdale” should a research program be established.
- Signage yet to be done for offices pending the trading name confirmation.
- Roma office is now complete. Opening by Minister Enoch TBC.
- SQ Landscapes Chair will occupy an office in Roma.