



Chairman's Report for Inaugural AGM March 6th 2013

This is the inaugural AGM of Gingin Water Group Inc. Incorporation law requires that the first AGM must be held within 18 months of the date of incorporation, and in future within 4 months of the end of the financial year. The 2nd AGM may be in October this year.

Gingin Water Group Inc arose from a steering committee set up after a public meeting attended by 100 in October 2010. The decision to incorporate was held after a public meeting received the interim committee report in June 2011.

The Management Committee is as dedicated and qualified as a community could expect. It has representatives from the Gingin Shire, NACC, MCC and Perth NRM. These people are local and respected farmers. The other committee members are all local farmers, scattered across the full greater Gingin region. Several have professional qualifications and work in consultant capacities. As a group they bring to Gingin Water Group Inc a breadth of qualification, experience and advice that would be rarely seen in a local country organisation. Their interest in the cause of the sustainable use of water in our region is passionate. However their continued involvement cannot be expected without an equivalent community desire to build and support an organisation to represent the causes as expressed in the Constitution and articulated by the members as being important.

I personally thank each and every member for their continued support, advice and help.

I recommend their ongoing nomination to you and invite added participation from interested members of the Gingin community.

The achievements and endeavour of the Committee over the past 18 months and before are too numerous to mention in this report. To illustrate I will list the main items taken from my Gingin Water Group Documents file. The Chairman was responsible for compiling most of the documents. The Committee attended the many meetings, often in Perth, and had to read and approve all deliberations leading up to these final documents.

October 2010..original public meeting of 100 attendees. The interim committee was formed.

June 2011.. public meeting led to decision to formally Incorporate

Sept 2011..Date of Incorporation

Sept 2011..signing of contract with Country Coasts and Rivers for \$15,000 grant signed by GWG Inc and sponsored by Moore Catchment Council(MCC) for the project "Evaluating the Groundwater Management Plan for the Greater Gingin Area"

The Documents file of the Chairman for Gingin Water Group list 130 items exemplified by the following main items, many of which appear on the Website www.ginginwater.org.au and have been emailed to the data base.

GWG email Inbox and Sent items amount to 100s.



Since the original meeting several data bases have been constructed , revised and redeveloped.
Various meetings and many phone calls to DoW officers and hydrologists.
Construction of Hotmail GWG email site
Construction of GWG website , numerous uploads to improve and equip the site. Construction of new info@ginginwater.org.au email site and transfer of data.

May 2011	Press release	319words
Feb 2013	Press release	386words
Moore Catchment Council GWG article (autumn)		
Website links to NACC,Gingin Shire,Perth NRM ,DoW(Gingin region) and ABC (Catalyst)		
March 2012	GDEs discussion paper and press release	363words
April 2012	Media release and background notes “Recent history of water management in the Gingin area”	552words
Jan 2013	Submission to oppose an application by Tronox to increase industrial water take from NE Gngangara mound	599words
June 2011	Report of the interim committee of GWG to Gingin community	2786words
Feb 2011	Progress report of Interim committee	2021 words
Submission of GWG Inc to Gingin Shire “Revised Outline Development Plan (Moore River South) 2079words		
June 2012	Website notification to members	783 words

Various letters and submissions to secure 15K grant
Various alterations to Grant objectives and timelines to secure extensions of Grant as successive DoW release dates for the Gingin Groundwater Allocation Plan were breached.
NB This Plan has still not been released .The 15K grant is let , partly spent , but cannot be extended further.GWG has had to make extensive variations to the original objectives to secure the remaining money. The success of these variations is still unknown.

Dec 2011	Letter to DoW re “Unpublished DoW Reports to save the Gngangara Mound”	481 words
Jan 2013	Issues Paper “Critical Lowflow thresholds-Gingin Brook and Lennard Brook”	931 words
Feb 2012	Meetings with DoW re Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems(GDEs)	
Dec 2012	Meeting with DoW re results of Airborne Geotech Survey	
Jan 2011”	Interpretation of Gingin Brook flow rates	925words
July 2012	Newsletter	1613 words
Jan 2013	Newsletter	1258 words

November 2012 Production for circulation of “Instructions on how to navigate DoW WIN” for monitoring site data available to the public.

December 2012 Meeting with Image Resources to establish a method of communication to keep Gingin community informed on issues regarding water use in the proposed mineral sands mining operation.

December 2012 Phone preparations for meeting with Veolia Ltd regarding method of communication to keep Gingin community informed on issues regarding potential influence on the water cycle of the Gingin Regional Landfill .



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