

**Agenda** for NRG meeting **20th July 2019** at Mavis' Kitchen near Uki

Meeting to start at noon

Acknowledge the traditional custodians: Sledge

**Present:** Sledge, Daniele, Alex, Dee, Gwyn, Marian, Bill, Geoff, Joyce, Hazel, Marie Jack

**Apologies:** Suzanne, Lyn, Cas, Rainer, Meg & Peter Nielsen, Klaus

**New members apps:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Geoff                      **Cheque Account:** \$

**Income: Membership \$30**                      **Pass the hat:** 0                      Expenses: \$200 EDO

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**Legal Account:** \$1490.57      **Petty Cash:** \$ 85.00      **Fund Raising float:** \$ 100.00

**President's Report:** Sledge

1. **Climate Change** – Extinction Rebellion <https://spark.greenpeace.org>.      6<sup>th</sup> August in Brisbane

2. **Forests – chipping & burning** : “Burned” film 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST . Vols needed to letterbox; distribution Map. TSC, MPs notified.

3. **NEFA** : Kalang Valley forest blockade - Sledge: Dailan'S phone 6680 7063

: Celebration 17 & 18 AUGUST at Bungawalbyn

4. NCC Regional Conference : 22 & 23 June at Lismore Showgrounds. See Sledge's in latest *NGT*

**ACTION:** Please keep writing to NSW Energy and Environment Minister Matt Kean & to ALP Shadow & interim leader = Penny Sharpe <[penny.sharpe@parliament.nsw](mailto:penny.sharpe@parliament.nsw).

**Approve Minutes from June monthly meeting .**

**Business Arising:**

1. Writing columns for media. Send to Sledge or Dee for edit.

2. Limpinwood: Reenie ?

b) **Students Strike** against climate change : Daniele

3. **Market stalls** : Bill

4. **Trains in NR** : Bill

5. **Tweed Council Watch** : Sledge/Gwyn/ Dave

**TSC** took public comments on the a) new DA for MW Bore Water until 5 July

b) Subs for extending space and time for P & D MS at Black Rocks, due 23/7/19.

6. Plans for action on biomass burning for electricity: Sledge

7. **Stop Adani** : Dave/ Pav : donation to EDO Queensland reply

8. Channon Markets stall 11<sup>th</sup> August with NEC : Sledge

**NEW Business:** 1. Free stall for O'Heart Festival, Tyalgum 17 & 18 August : **Sledge**.

Contact Kirra Mob:0499 747 473, Email [info@oheartfest.com](mailto:info@oheartfest.com)

2. **Kyogle sub-group:** Daniele NRG subs and personnel *at Kyogle Council meeting* 8<sup>th</sup> July

3. **Brainstorm** : how can we get more young people involved : Michael

### **Announcements:**

- 1) “*Burned : Are trees the new coal?*” newly released documentary film will be screened at M’bah Golf Club, 233 Byangum Road, at 3 PM Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Public meeting at 6 PM. *Co-sponsored by NRG and CEC*
- 2) NCC : Millions of fish are dead, our mighty inland rivers are dying, communities are going without water, but a few big businesses are making huge money at taxpayer expense. Sign the petition to stop the rorts! <https://www.nature.org.au/get->

**NCC Annual Conference - Save the Date** While the regional conference is next weekend, we have already locked in our Annual Conference. **It will be on the 2nd of November at the NSW Teachers’ Federation.** Make sure you put the date in your diary now and please let your members know. We will have more information as the date approaches.

Nominations are open for 2019. It's your time to shine. Nominate yourself or your organisation and be recognised and rewarded for your leadership, commitment and innovation in sustainability across New South Wales.

<https://www.environment.nsw.>

### **10 reasons not to log the Kalang headwaters forests**

1. The Forest Corporation does not have a social licence to log the forests.
2. The Forest Corporation have not conducted cultural heritage assessments in consultation with local communities.
3. The forests are being harvested prematurely and will produce predominantly small and super small logs.
4. There is a climate emergency and the forests are more valuable as a carbon store.
5. The soils are highly erodible and likely to lead to pollution of the Kalang river and its tributaries. Environmental repair of local soils should be undertaken instead of logging
6. The forests are known and predicted habitat for the endangered Rufous Scrubbird a species the United nations has asked Australia to consider giving added protection
7. The forest is prime habitat for the endangered Milky silkpod which will be damaged by road openings and logging operations. The species is not being managed in accordance with the IFOA
8. The logging operation, harvesting predominantly small and super small logs with excessive long uphill snigs and at the limit of log haul distance to mills is uneconomic .
9. The pre-logging flora and fauna surveys are dated and completely inadequate .
10. The Forestry Corporation has failed to consider recently listed endangered species as required by the IFOA

**Next NRG meeting** : Noon to 2 PM on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2019 {?} at Mavis’ Kitchen.