

Office News Report --- November 2016

My focus during October was the preparation of reports, etc. for the 2016 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and the 1st Ordinary Meeting of 2016-2017 being held on Saturday, 12 November 2016.

Members and supporters are invited to attend either or both of these meetings being held at the HOPE Office, 22 Vacy Street, Toowoomba.

The AGM starts at 10am sharp. Guest speaker Andrew Nicholson will give a presentation entitled "Linking research on environmental art advocacy to the community capacity building work of environment organisations such as HOPE."

Following the AGM, the 1st Ordinary Meeting of 2016-2017 will deal with our proposed program of community forums, workshops and projects for 2017. Also up for discussion will be what local/regional community events HOPE will be attending; and what environmental observance dates (such as Clean Up Australia Day and World habitat Day) we will endorse, promote and support.

Morning tea and lunch will be available. Please RSVP by 9 November to assist us with seating and catering arrangements.

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Office Hours

HOPE's office is open every Monday from 9am to 5pm; with the library resources, available at the same time. Other times can be arranged through the office.

HOPE's Pledge facility - <http://www.hopeaustralia.org.au/annual-pledgedonation/>

We invite members and supporters to consider making an annual financial contribution to help cover our operating costs of approximately \$20,500 p.a.

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