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2024-2025 – 5.1 - Office Manager's summary “Quarterly Report” for 12 September 2025 meeting (Last updated –6 September 2025)

Summary of key items from sub-headings below:

- 4 Newsletters produced
- 12 Media Releases issued
- 18 Feature Articles/Reports circulated
- Grant applications – pending and current
 - 1 submitted
- Sponsorship matters:
 - 9/5/25 – Letter sent to Westpac, Toowoomba re: Project funding → *Unsuccessful*
- Volunteer movement – 2 new; and 2 lapsed!

Significant office highlights:

01/06 Successful day at Logan Eco Action Festival (LEAF). Thanks to our team of volunteers who raised \$345.85 from book sales and the mini-affle.

04/06 Support given to Places You Love (PYL) Alliance's letter to Albanese Government re: Stronger Nature Laws

05/06 Applied for membership to [Nature Media Centre](#)

14/06 Held quarterly Ordinary Meeting

15/06 Issued nationally Annual Fund-Raising Appeal (no. 1 email)

18/06 Attended a ZOOM “Bimblebox Alliance” meeting to discuss Andrew's Pilot Podcast project and to garner support for the major 3-year podcast project

→ Received \$500 donation towards 2–3-year full Podcast Project

20/06 Sent e: letters to SQ Landscapes, QWALC, QCC and CCMA regarding Andrew's larger Podcast Series project. Hopefully, we'll garner some support from the aforementioned agencies.

20/06 Westpac has finally linked the HOPE Gift Fund bank account to the HOPE general bank account. I am now able to start transferring donation funds to our operating account.

23/06 Issued nationally Annual Fund-Raising Appeal (no. 2 email)

27/06 Issued nationally Annual Fund-Raising Appeal (no. 3 email)

27/06 Started a mycause fund-raiser to purchase 2 new laptops

02/07

1. Fund-raising emails – A huge thanks to Kay (Meet Karan Rana) for the series of 3 fund-raising emails which we circulated in recent weeks. So far, we have received \$300 in donations.
2. Enquiries from potential volunteers – 8 enquiries received in recent weeks, but only 1 has responded to my request for their resume and samples of written/published articles.
3. Funding for 2 new laptops – Kerry and I were unable to fully complete the GoFundMe campaign so we deactivated our account. Instead, we submitted an application to the 'mycause' platform on 27/06 (which will run for 3 months).
4. Partnerships/Alliances program – Invitations sent to Total Environment Centre; Intrepid Landcare; and Australian Youth Climate Coalition
5. 30/06 Issued composite email containing the July newsletter; and 2 feature articles from Georgy Hadwen

03/07 Attended Qld Gives' grant presentation morning tea at Wilsonton Neighbourhood Centre, Toowoomba

14/07 Issued nationally multi-document email containing:

- 20250714 - MR - Pest Plants and Animals
- Review of Queensland Government's Climate Action Plan 2030
- Report review -- Unpacking the Power of Landcare - Lessons for Local Action and Global Impact, by Ali Attaran
- Broken Green Promises expose, by Taelum Slijderink (ver2b)

- Feature Article - An update on earlier Circular Economy paper, by Georgy Hadwen
 - Paper - (Nat) - Is the future of Australia's Economy ... Circular (3)

01/08

- 2nd university student placement project is virtually complete. The "Research Report into ECO-Social Justice in Australia, 20 July 2025" will be launched publicly in coming weeks.
- Pilot Podcast Project on "Imagining 20240: Pathways to Flourishing Future has been completed. The public launch will be held in coming weeks.

24/07 Issued nationally request re: Favour sought. Your 'testimonial-style' words of support for HOPE would be appreciated.

01/08 Issued nationally composite email containing 4 documents:

1. HOPE Enews Bulletin 2025 #08 – Special Edition – CRC Programs, by Frank Lee (NSW) and Lizzie Pennington (Vic)
2. Feature article – A Call to Arms on Safeguarding Our Environment, by Georgy Hadwen – HOPE researcher WA
3. Feature article – Social Justice: Providing housing for low-income families and individuals, by Shannon Tumbridge – HOPE researcher Qld
4. Feature article – Invasive Species of Northern Australia, by Leyan Chen – HOPE researcher QLD

11/08 'mycause' fund-raising requests sent to 52 businesses throughout Australia

13/08 Issued another 63 'mycause' fund-raising requests to businesses

22/08 Our '2nd student university placement project' was completed recently with Ms Laura Little's research report "A Critical Analysis of Eco-Social Justice in Australia" uploaded to our website and launched nationally via a media release. Also, Andrew Nicholson has completed the 4 episodes Pilot Project "Imagining 2040 – Pathways to Flourishing Futures." Thanks, Andrew, for doing such a wonderful job with the podcast interviews and associated promotional material. Once our website has been updated with all of the project files, we will initiate a national media campaign promoting this informative visioning project,

14/08 Issued another 120 'mycause' fund-raising requests to businesses

15/08 Issued composite email containing:

- Feature article - International Year of Peace and Trust 2025, by Perry Bowe
- Feature article on Protection of our Native Species, by Shweta Karthik
- HOPE's response to UN 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development
 - Transforming our world - the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development report
- Report review - Drivers of deforestation and land-clearing in Queensland, by Cristina Unsworth
- Report Review - Primary Industries Consultation Draft 2025, by Cristina Unsworth

17/08 Issued nationally media release re: HOPE Inc. Launches New Research Paper: A Critical Analysis of Eco-Social Justice in Australia

19/08 Issued nationally:

- A review of United Nations Association of Australia (UNAA) Queensland branch, by Perry Bowe
 - 2025.07.26 - UNAAQ Earth Charter Report, by Fien Van den Steen
 - Human Rights Report, July 2025

30/08 Attended the Toowoomba leg of Queensland Water and Land Carers (QWALC' s) 21st Celebrations

01/09 Issued nationally:

- HOPE E-news Bulletin 2025 #09 --- September 2025
- Sundry documents:
 - Book Review of Hannah Ritchie's - Not the End of the World (2024)
 - Community-Led Sustainability - Strengthening Local Action in Climate Policy
 - Review of Breakthrough's discussion paper on 'Warming has reached 1.5C'
- 03/09 Issued nationally a final reminder about our 'mycause' appeal: Last opportunity to support our "laptops" fund-raiser

Newsletters:

03/06 Issued nationally HOPE June 2025 newsletter

30/06 Issued July 2025 newsletter

01/08 Issued nationally HOPE Enews Bulletin 2025 #08 – Special Edition – CRC Programs, by Frank Lee (NSW) and Lizzie Pennington (Vic)

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Feature articles:

- 30/06 Issued 2 feature articles from Georgy Hadwen
- 14/06 Issued to our membership and supporter base - feature article on the Earth Charter and their upcoming conference
- 14/07 Review of Queensland Government's Climate Action Plan 2030
- 14/07 Report review -- Unpacking the Power of Landcare - Lessons for Local Action and Global Impact, by Ali Attaran
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Volunteer movement:

- 23/05 Welcome new volunteer researcher – Renuka Sarathbhavan (Qld)
- 05/06 Lapsed volunteer - Veronika Iamzina (Qld)
- 06/07 Dominic Anderton has stepped down as a researcher due to other commitments
- 08/08 Welcome new researcher – Perry Bowe (Qld)

Media Releases:

- 03/06 Issued nationally media release re: World Oceans Day, 8 June 2025
- 10/06 Qld only: Issued our media release in support of continued funding for the Environmental Defenders Office
- 14/06 Issued nationally media releases re: Householders' Options to Protect the Environment (HOPE) Inc. Support for Earth Charter +25 Event; and Reef Under Threat: HOPE Inc. Demands Stronger Protection
- 09/07 Issues nationally media release re: Landcare as a Global Blueprint for Sustainability Through Local Action
- 10/07 Issued nationally ICAN's email re: Hiroshima 80 years on — a powerful online event with Peter Garrett
- 12/07 Issued nationally media statement re: Today is the "International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms".
- 14/07 Issued nationally MR - Pest Plants and Animals
- 14/07 Issued nationally media release re: Unwanted Invaders: HOPE Inc. Calls for Coordinated Action on Pest Plants and Animals
- 14/07 Issued nationally item from International Campaign Against Nuclear (Weapons) re: International Cities Appeal Campaign
- 17/07 Issued nationally media release re HOPE's 'mycause' fund-raiser for 2 new laptops
- 24/07 Issued nationally media release re: The Enduring Debate: Why Australia Said 'No' to a Bill of Rights
- 17/08 Issued nationally media release re: HOPE Inc. Launches New Research Paper: A Critical Analysis of Eco-Social Justice in Australia

Grant information:

- 10/06 Submitted online GCBF funding application for the "male Environmental Champions" project

Sponsorship matters:

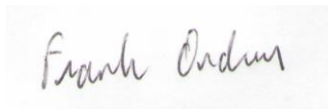
- 02/06 Sponsorship request to UniSQ unsuccessful

Submissions:

Nil

Account's activity:

05/06 Banked \$345.85 to HOPE Gift Fund – proceeds of LEAF 2025 event held on 1 June 2025
18/06 Received \$500 donation towards 2–3-year full Podcast Project
21/06 Transferred \$5,500 from HOPE Gift Fund to the HOPE general account
23/06 Received \$100 to HOPE Gift Fund from Dave Grubb and Pam Pittaway
24/06 Paid invoice \$1,100 to consultant Andrew Nicholson re Pilot Podcast project
26/06 Received \$200 donation to HOPE Gift Fund from Peter Davies
09/07 2024-25 accounts handed over to Auditor
21/07 2024-25 accounts audited and returned. Invoice cost = \$440 with GST = \$40
21/07 2024-25 BAS return will be \$219
22/07 Returned unused cheques for both HOPE accounts to Westpac
24/07 Paid JG Audit & Assurance P/L \$440 (with GST = \$40) for auditing our 2024-25 accounts
24/07 Paid QCC \$33 (with GST = \$3) re: membership renewal for 2025-26
29/07 Paid Cartridge World \$168.95 (with GST = \$15.36) for printer toner cartridge
31/07 Received \$219 GST refund from ATO
04/08 Received 2 lots of fund-raising amounts from mycause - \$87.24 (31/07) and \$65.18 (04/08)



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