

**AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (by Teams)**  
**Saturday, January 24, 2026**

**Quorum = 12**

**Meeting Opened: 10:01 am**

1. **Present:** Craig Tyeson, Brett Glanville, Nick, Shaw, Nicola Cox, Stuart Cox, Ralph Berry, Maureen Berry, John Williamson, Marion Myhill, Sam and Linda Gannon, Deb Quon, Zich Zicht- Woinarski, Jo Widdowson, Kevin Watkins, Pam Watkins, Sally Sauer, Kylie Clare Geoff Pask, Gary Byard, Lindal Byard

**Apologies:** Bruce Pike (supportive), Sue Woinarski (supportive), Luke Miller

**2. General Business**

**2.1 Purchase of new chipper/mulcher**

There was significant discussion about the requirements relating to the purchase and usage of a chipper/mulcher.

- Jo Widdowson referred to the need to update our VPP to include use of the chipper and of the possible need for a Risk Assessment.
- Sally Sauer asked about training and safety issues. She also asked whether there is provision in the GT Coastal Management Plan for the use of a chipper.
- John Williamson referred to 4 questions relating to:
  - Compliance
  - Suitability of the unit and implications of having multiple users
  - Maintenance, Training/Certification
  - Storage
- Kylie Clare asked whether WPA would be responsible for providing training. She also suggested that TAFE may not provide training and that we may need to investigate a training provider.
- Nicola Cox asked about insurance requirements.
- Kevin Watkins suggested that GTC should support the WPA with the purchase of the chipper and that only qualified users be authorized to use the machine.
- Zich suggested that we should not purchase anything smaller than a 130 mm capacity and that we should investigate Husqvarna and Briggs/Stratton machines.
- Brett Glanville spoke in favour of proceeding.
- Craig Tyeson suggested that the Maintenance Sub Committee would have responsibility for the machine.

**Actions:**

Craig undertook to investigate issues relating to:

- Compliance
- Risk Assessment
- Updating VPP
- Training, certification and safety



- Insurance
- Storage
- GTC support

Information relating to these issues would be presented at the AGM in March. If we are able to satisfy compliance issues etc, a motion will be put to proceed with purchase of an appropriate chipper.

**Meeting Closed: 10:33 am**

**Next meeting:**

**General Meetings 2026**

- Sunday March 8: AGM
- Saturday June 6: GM
- Saturday, November 1: GM

**Committee Meetings 2026**

- Saturday, February 7
- Saturday, March 7
- Saturday, April 4
- Saturday, May 3
- Saturday, August 1
- Saturday, October 3
- Saturday, December 5

**Events: 2026**

- Sand Castles Competition: Monday, January 26, 11:30 am
- Easter Market: Saturday, April 4
- ANZAC Day: Saturday, April 25
- Winter Solstice: Saturday, June 6
- Christmas in July: Saturday July 11, 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
- Anniversary Event: Saturday, October 31: 5:00 pm
- Christmas Drinks: TBA