

Name of committee/concern/group Kangaroo Valley Friends Properties Pty Ltd (Werona)
Membership of the Committee/Working Group/Associated Body: Directors: Anne-Maree Johnston, Wies Schuiringa, Tim Sowerbutts.
Part A – Report
<p>Progress Report: <i>Werona</i> was purchased by Quakers and friends in 1969. Situated in the beautiful Kangaroo Valley region of NSW it is a rustic, bushland property housing three sleeping areas and is suitable for camping.</p> <p><i>Werona</i> has long been a Wildlife sanctuary and joined the Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) in 2022, a fruitful and positive move with the BCT helping both financially and in an advisory capacity. A bush regeneration grant from the BCT has ensured that introduced species of weeds and plants continue to be removed both from <i>Werona</i> and from the 10 metres of land along the river bank belonging to the Water Board.</p> <p>Crown Land lease: For many years <i>Werona</i> has leased the Crown lands aligning the property along Mt Scanzi Road. Due to ever increasing costs we now wish to terminate this lease and need to relocate the entry gate as it is situated on Crown land. A survey has been carried out, a new position has been chosen and we are in the process of organising for a new gate to be installed.</p> <p>The Main Hut: A new power board and underground power lines were laid in the last year. The original 1970s plumbing around the Hut has recently been replaced. Plumbing lines from the cabin to the Main hut, destroyed in the devastating 2020 bushfires, are yet to be replaced.</p> <p>Outdoor Shower installation: This is a very welcome addition and has been installed close to the Cabin.</p> <p>Management: NSW RM, Victoria RM, Canberra RM and 9 individuals own shares in the Company which is maintained and managed by a small body of volunteers. For those wishing to book and enjoy stars, wildlife and nights around the campfire please contact: Katrina Hasleton <khasleton321@bigpond.com></p>