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6/2/96

ALICE SPRINGS FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB Inc

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held at Alice Springs Education Centre, Milner Road on 6 February 1996

MEETING OPENED: 19.40 hr PRESENT: As per attendance book

VISITORS: As per attendance book

APOLOGIES: Marilyn Hall, David and Julie Hamilton, Karl Richardson, Bill McAlinsh

GUEST SPEAKER:

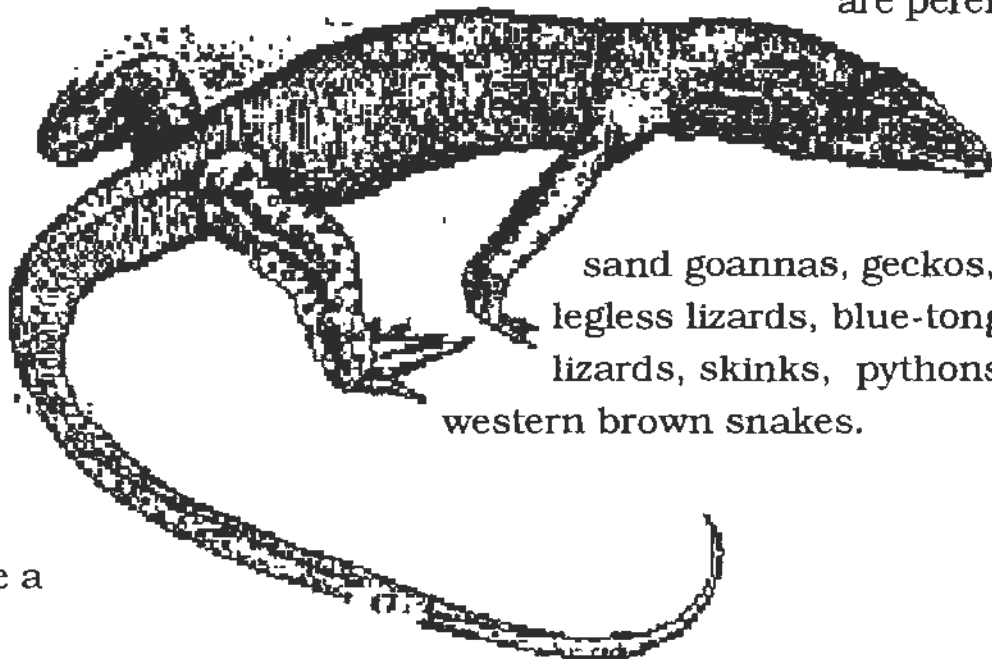
Nick Gambold from Central Land Council, Land Resources Unit

Speaking on Reptiles of Uluru National Park and the Western Desert regions.

Nick Gambold gave us a really interesting talk and slide show on the reptiles of Uluru National Park and the Western Desert

regions. His photography skills were quite outstanding as was his identification of each slide with the common name and scientific name. He gave a glowing commendation of the Anangu people in trapping, identifying and tracking of all the reptiles in

their homelands. The spinifex plays an important role in the survival of most species of reptile and certain types cohabitate. Legless lizards don't have broad underbelly scales as snakes do and pointy noses help to distinguish them from snakes. Beaked geckos have a large range throughout Central Australia. Some listings are perenties,



sand goannas, geckos, legless lizards, blue-tongue lizards, skinks, pythons and western brown snakes.

NOTE TAKER: Ian Dudley-Bestow

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Acceptance moved by:

Ian Dudley-Bestow

Seconded: Graeme Ashton

MATTERS ARISING:

None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

None

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

None

TREASURERS REPORT:

None

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Steve Walton has notified the club that he will be standing down as

Secretary/Treasurer due to work commitments. There was a nomination by Pat Newing for the position of Secretary/Treasurer of Graeme Ashton, who promptly acknowledged and accepted it. It was unanimously voted on by all fellow members.

TRIPS

TRIPS: PAST

None

TRIPS: FUTURE

Woodlands Trail- 15th February

The Woodlands trail is situated about halfway between Larapinta Drive and Simpsons Gap Nat. Park.

Meet at 5.30 pm at the start of the walk.

Bring a torch and light refreshments.

Trip Leader: Ian Dudley-Bestow

Tel: (W) 530157

Rainbow Valley- March 2-3

Leaving on the Saturday 2nd March at 4pm and returning late morning on the 3rd March. Meet at Alice Springs High School.

Trip Leader: Pat Newing

Tel: 528663

N'Dhala Gorge- March 30

Meet at 1pm outside ASHS.

Trip Leader:

Esther Dangerfield Tel: 524676

SUGGESTED FUTURE TRIPS:

Native Gap - sometime in April

Ooramina - sometime in March/April

Walking Simpsons Gap Bike Track
Larapinta Trail

Mt Ultim and surrounding areas

NEXT MEETING: 5th March 1996

7.30pm at Alice Springs

Education Centre,

Alice Springs High School

CAKE BRINGER: Jose Petrick

**NOTE TAKER: Margaret
Richardson**