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## 2009 AGM

The 2009 Annual General Meeting was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November at the Ora Banda Hotel. There was a good turnout which made sure there were sufficient fielders for the cricket match after lunch. John Slorach from the Forest Products Commission gave an interesting talk on Sandalwood Harvesting and showed us the products derived from Sandalwood. Many thanks to our bus driver Nick who drove the troupes to and from Ora Banda.



The 2009 Executive & General Committee Members are as follows:

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|----------------|---------------------|
| PRESIDENT      | - Catherine Wharton |
| VICE PRESIDENT | - Nick Galton-Fenzi |
| TREASURER      | - Andrea Williams   |
| SECRETARY      | - Claire McGuire    |



GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Julie Mahony, Karen De Roer, Bronwen Smith, Eren Reid, Andrea Kirchner, Emily Wilson and Fiona Westcott.

## 2010 GEMG WORKSHOP

The 2010 GEMG Workshop will be held from 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May. Call for papers are currently in progress, so if you are interested in talking at the workshop have your paper in by the 31<sup>st</sup> of December. The GEMG committee is encouraging site examples to be presented at the next year workshop, so site enviro’s we want to hear your challenges and break throughs that you may have encountered.



Once again we have kept with the comedian theme and booked Wendy Harmer as our guest speaker for the dinner.



Sponsorship positions for the 2010 workshop have been sent out to existing sponsors. These companies get first option to continue their sponsorship and if they choose not to continue as a sponsor, some options may become available. Please contact the GEMG Secretary [secretary@gemg.org.au](mailto:secretary@gemg.org.au) for sponsorship and workshop enquires.



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## WEBSITE UPGRADE

The committee have been busy brainstorming and reviewed the GEMG website. It has just been upgraded and is found at [www.gemg.org.au](http://www.gemg.org.au). Here you will find information on the GEMG 2010 workshop, downloads including newsletters & publication order forms.



## JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

That's right you can now join the GEMG group on facebook. Search for GEMG under Facebook Groups. Feel free to add photo's and participate in on-line discussions.

## NGERS Workshop and Panel Discussion

The GEMG committee held a NGRS session in July to assist enviro's with NGRS reporting and the "upcoming" Carbon Trading System. This event proved to be very successful with a large turnout. The feedback from this session was positive and hopefully people felt a little less confused on the much talked about matter. GEMG would like to thank Murray and Russell from Greenbase and Brian from Energetics for flying up to Kalgoorlie and sharing their knowledge with the session attendees.

## PHOTO COMPETITION AND THE WINNER IS:

In the last issue of the GEMG newsletter we ran a photo completion which includes a series of photos that derived from social antics during the 2008 GEMG workshop. The winner of the best caption was Fiona Westcott with her winning caption:



*"Mine closing down sale!  
Enviro's running out the door."*



## PHOTO COMPETITION

(2009 Issue 3 Newsletter)

Submit your winning caption to [secretary@gemg.org.au](mailto:secretary@gemg.org.au)



Competition closes January 31<sup>st</sup> 2010. WIN a \$50 Coles/Myer Voucher



*The GEMG Committee would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*