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## Coming meetings

### Thursday 12 April

Native bees will be the subject of a talk by Dr Remco Leijs. Remco is a research scientist with the South Australian Museum and Flinders University. His special area of study is the Australian Carpenter bee.

### Thursday 10 May

Alex McLeod from Friends of Moana Sands will speak to us about the Moana Sands Conservation Park, which is a site of significant Aboriginal cultural heritage and high conservation value. Alex will also talk about the work done by his Friends group in caring for this park..

Our meetings are held in the  
Community Room  
Aldinga Library  
at 7:30 each month  
(February to November)

**All welcome!**

## Annual General Meeting

Our 2012 AGM, held on 8 March, was attended by 15 members. We were pleased to welcome our Ranger, Dennis Francis, to the meeting. Reports from President Julie Burgher and Treasurer Neville Hudson were presented to the meeting (please ask a committee member if you would like a copy of these reports). Paul Rosser then kindly officiated for the election of officers.

The previous committee was re-elected, with no new nominations being received.

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Committee members:

John Ackers  
Heather Carrangis  
John Edmeades  
Joy Forrest

Dennis presented a summary of the activities carried out by DENR in Aldinga Scrub during the past year, and told us about projects which will be undertaken this year.

## 25th birthday for Friends of Aldinga Scrub

Yes, we have been caring for Aldinga Scrub since 1987!

The committee is planning a social event to celebrate this important milestone. We hope you will be able to join us ..... more details will be provided in the next newsletter.



## Friends hard at work at our f**ANT**astic workshop!



### Well done to our skilled working bee team



Vandals recently destroyed the bench seat at the Coral Lichen Circuit lookout. Our observant workers found the timber not far from the lookout, where it was being used to construct a sturdy cubby house. The cubby house has now been removed and the lookout bench has been re-built.

PS: We are finding an increasing number of cubby houses in the Scrub. As well as vandalism to Park facilities, vegetation is being cut down to build these structures. Please report any suspicious activities to our Ranger, Dennis Francis, or a committee member.

### Park news

- DENR have removed the bamboo in the south-western corner of the Park
- fox dens have been fumigated, thanks to funding from AMLR NRM
- students from the TAFE Conservation and Land Management course are continuing to monitor kangaroos in 2012
- we have provided DENR with a 'wish list' of work that needs doing in the Park. Suggestions include repair of fencing, repair and upgrade of signage, and weed removal in the Coral Lichen patch

### Working Bees

**Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am**

Regular working bees have resumed now that the cooler weather is with us.

If you are available to help, please contact John each week on 0488 552 797 to find where the group will be working.

THE AUSTRALIAN PLANTS SOCIETY'S  
**Autumn 2012**  
**AUSTRALIAN  
NATIVE PLANTS  
SALE**

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| <b>SATURDAY</b><br><b>28th April</b><br>10 am to 5 pm | <b>SUNDAY</b><br><b>29th April</b><br>10 am to 4 pm |
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