



# FRIENDS OF ALDINGA SCRUB

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## Coming Events

### Thursday June 13th

Our speaker will be Harry Harrison, President of the Rare Fruit Society of SA whose members grow fruits and food plants from the four corners of the globe.

### Thursday July 11th

Tony Paterson, one of our long-term contractors, will speak to us about his work treating bridal creeper and woody weeds in Aldinga Scrub and other sites throughout South Australia.

All meetings held at the Aldinga  
Library Community Room  
at 7:30 pm

**All welcome!**

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It's winter-time again and the kangaroos are out grazing in the mist.

## LINCOLN WEED (*Diplotaxis tenuifolia*)

Lincoln Weed has become a problem along the north/east boundaries of the Scrub since soil was brought in to erect a levee which was designed to stop water from the Hart Road Wetland flowing into a nearby vineyard.

Lincoln weed is an erect branching perennial herb belonging to the Brassicaceae family that reproduces by both taproot and seed. It is a weed primarily occurring in neglected areas, roadsides, railway easements and pastures of South Australia.

### Why is it a problem?

It is reported to be poisonous to stock and has on occasion been suspected of causing death of both stock and humans.

Another characteristic making Lincoln weed a problem is its low level of susceptibility to herbicide if sprayed when not actively growing, often resulting in the need for re-treatment to obtain effective control.

More info can be obtained from the NRM website: <http://www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/samurraydarlingbasin/plants-animals/pest-plants-and-animals/pest-plants>



# **BIG DAY OUT**

You are invited to get together

SUNDAY AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup> 2013 for a fun time which will include...

**10.00am** Meet at Goolwa Beach car park (located at beach end of BEACH ROAD at Goolwa Beach) .

We will join with the **Goolwa Land Care Group** who will show us some features of the coastal vegetation in that area and tell us about their current projects. It will be a chance to enjoy some spectacular scenery as we walk through the coastal park.

**1.00pm** Enjoy a sumptuous luncheon at a *“Mystery Destination”*.

**After lunch**---Free time to wander around historic Goolwa where there is lots to see and do!

We hope to see you on the day – Family & friends welcome!

**RSVP** for lunch booking and any further inquiries to Heather Carrangis at [fredheather@comstech.com](mailto:fredheather@comstech.com)

## **PARK NEWS**

- \* The 2013 Monitoring season has started with Site 1 now completed. Please contact a member of the Committee if you are interested in joining the monitoring team.
- \* Removing weed species continues to be our main activity. Working bee groups have been cutting bulrushes from the Acacia Terrace and we have asked council to assist with further maintenance at this site.

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*e-mail.*

*Helen's email;*

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## **Working Bees**

**Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am**

Regular working bees are in full swing during the coming months.

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



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