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NEWSLETTER

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Coming meetings

Thursday 14 June

Lot 50-Kanyanyapilla: Bi-cultural Ecological and Cultural Regeneration

In 2015, Gavin Malone acquired 16 ha of land at Lot 50 Branson Road for a bi-cultural ecological and cultural regeneration project, along with some agricultural production. The majority of the land is a registered Aboriginal heritage site under the South Australian *Aboriginal Heritage Act*.

At our June meeting, Gavin will speak about the Management Plan which has been prepared for the site with advice from relevant authorities and a peer group, and its implementation using an Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal approach to land management which recognises the cultural practices and traditions of both cultures.

Thursday 12 July

Willunga Basin Walking Trail

This pioneering trail will comprise of 118 kms of pathways through the Willunga Basin, extending from the Onkaparinga River National Park to the Sellicks escarpment.

Christine James and Meme Thorne from the planning group will update us on the progress of the trail project, and in particular, its proposed route through Aldinga Scrub.

Our meetings are held in the
Aldinga Library
at 7:30 pm on the second Thursday of
each month (February to November).

All welcome!



2018

Planting day
Sunday 1 July

10:00 am

Meet at Gate 3 (western end of Cox Road near the Aldinga Holiday Park). You'll find us just along the Yacca Track, a little way from the gate to the north.

We will be planting seedlings, including grasses, grown by our propagators over the summer. Please bring your own gloves and small trowels.

For more information, contact John on 0488 552 797.

Don't miss this great opportunity!

2018 Fungal Foray

You are invited to join Thelma and the Adelaide Fungal Studies Group as they stroll through a unique Fleurieu forest ...

Sunday 24 June Kuinto Forest

The walk will start at 10:00 am.
Bring your own lunch to enjoy
after the walk.

Please email Thelma at
t.p.bridle@bigpond.com or
phone on 0423 313 604 if you
would like to join this fascinating
walk.



Amanita xanthocephala

Source: Dashorst and Jessop,
*Plants of the Adelaide Plains and
Hills*

Do you enjoy planting seedlings in important conservation sites? You are invited to help out at these local projects aiming to restore habitat for two threatened species

Stipiturus Conservation Park, near Mt Compass

Sunday 3 June 10:00 am —3:00 pm

Help re-establish habitat for the threatened Mt Lofty Ranges Southern Emu Wren around one of the Fleurieu's largest swamps.

You will be planting seedlings of the endangered Mt Compass Oak-bush and other native plants. The day will also feature children's activities and talks.

Lunch and drinks provided.



Southern Emu Wren
Source: NRM Murray Darling Basin

Bookings essential

For more information,
contact Rachel
Godoy on 8550 3425

Wirinna Cove – 20 Million Trees

Several days : 4, 5, 6, 12, 18, 25, 26 June

CVA will be planting 25,000 seedlings of Sheoak, pink gum, blue gum and other local species.

Establishing this habitat will allow the critically endangered Glossy black cockatoo to cross back to the mainland from Kangaroo Island and establish populations on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

Bookings essential

For more information, contact
Conservation Volunteers Australia
on 8352 4111



Glossy black cockatoo
Source: Birdlife Australia

Committee news

- The committee has made a submission to council opposing the Development Plan Amendment (Aldinga Urban Lands) in regard to the zoning of a 24 hectare section of privately owned land at the corner of Hart and How Roads. The new subdivision could accommodate some 250 houses and an additional population of 600 people. Our concerns are based on the issues of acceptable management of stormwater from the site and the impacts which this large number of additional neighbours may cause.
- We have also made a submission to council in regard to the proposed installation of additional bollards and gates which will prevent access to the beach during the winter closure season. After discussion at our May general meeting, Friends agreed that we support the council's endeavours to keep the beach vehicle-free during the winter months to allow the intertidal ecosystem to recover and provide safe habitat for the hooded plovers.
- NRM have engaged consultants EBS Ecology to provide a vegetation planting plan for the Washpool Lagoon. It is anticipated that the plan will be carried out over a 5 year timespan, with first priorities being the central and southern precincts and the Blue Lagoon. We are very pleased that this project has been initiated and look forward to participating in its implementation.

News from the Park

- Members of the working bee crew have seen diggings inside the Paxton Patch, with some speculation about the creature responsible. With no sign of entry which may suggest an echidna, it is possible that a bush rat is enjoying the abundant vegetation.
- Scabiosa is thriving on the eastern boundary. It has been cut down with a brushcutter and will now be sprayed.
- Freesias which were sprayed last year are needing some follow-up now to prevent re-growth.
- Each year, NRM provide us with equipment and materials to support our work. This year we are asking for gloves, grape knives and stakes. We are also hoping to get some fence signs which will advise passers-by that Friends of Aldinga Scrub are working here to protect and rehabilitate the Park and they might like to join us!

Working Bees

Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am

Working bees will continue on Tuesday mornings throughout the winter months, weather permitting.

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

Visit our website at www.friendsofaldingascrub.com.au

