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NEWSLETTER

October 2018

Coming meetings

Thursday 11 October Washpool update and more

Michael Field (NRM Community Engagement Coordinator, Aboriginal Communities) and Merle Simpson (Kurna representative), along with our Ranger Coral, will attend this meeting to give us an update on the Washpool revegetation project.

Coral will also discuss general issues in Aldinga Scrub and answer any questions we may have at this time.

Thursday 8 November A 20 year Revegetation Project

Robyn Henwood and Barry Mitchell have been working on revegetation at their property at Kyancutta, on Eyre Peninsula for about 20 years. The work has included revegetation of sand-drifted rises in cropping land, reclamation of a very large sand dune, and use of State heritage legislation.

Methods have included tree planting by hand and by machine, direct seeding, and fencing work. Robyn and Barry will talk about their experiences, mistakes, and lessons learned, and about the vegetation of this area.

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

All welcome!

Photographing Wildlife in Aldinga Scrub



**Would you like to learn more about your camera,
and improve your photography skills?**

Dates: Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 November 2018

Times: 9.30 am to 4pm each day

Venue: Aldinga Community Centre

You are invited to come along to this free two-day workshop where we will gain skills in photographing the unique wildlife in Aldinga Scrub. Our presenter, Brian Kowald, is a local professional photographer who is very familiar with the flora and fauna of our Park. Brian will be showing us a range of techniques which will help us to make the most of our cameras as we photograph the natural environment.

The workshop will consist of sessions at the Aldinga Community Centre and field trips into Aldinga Scrub. You will need to bring your own camera and wear suitable clothing for the field trips. Light morning tea will be provided but you will need to bring your own lunch each day.

Bookings are essential. Please email Helen at helenmcs@ozemail.com.au or phone on 8556 3166 to make your booking or request further information.

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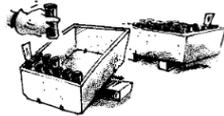
New release!

Willunga Environment Centre has recently published this beautiful and informative new book.

Copies available from the Centre now for just \$18.00

End of year gathering for Friends of Aldinga Scrub

Sunday 25 November
7 Palmer Street
10:00 am onwards



Come along to our tube filling day and stay on for a congenial shared lunch.

All Friends are invited to help fill the tubes for this year's propagation season. The work is not hard and the conversation is always lively!

You are also invited to join us for lunch after the work is done. If you would like to stay, please bring a plate to share. However, you are most welcome to arrive or leave at any time.

For more information, please contact Julie on 0418 459 450.

Let's celebrate volunteers!

Friends of Aldinga Scrub are invited to attend the annual NRM thank you event.

When: Sunday 18 November, 10am – 3pm

Where: Urrbrae Wetland, Netherby

Network with like-minded volunteers, celebrate your achievements, join in cultural awareness activities and hear from Chris Daniels about fauna in the AMLR region. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Free event. Limited spaces, registrations are essential.

For further information, please contact Rachel, our Volunteer Support Officer, on 8550 3426.



**Willunga
CHRISTMAS
TREE FESTIVAL
2018**

Dec 1+2 Christmas Tree Exhibition
Nov 24 Advent Wreath Workshop
& Community Weaving
DEC 23 7pm Carols in the Chapel
Dec 3-7 Bus Tours & Groups By Appointment
Colouring Competition
Christmas Stalls ★ Devonshire Teas

POPULAR VOTE
What's your favourite
Christmas Tree?

BETHANY HALL
CORNER OF ST JUDE &
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This year, our creative team will be designing a tree with the theme 'Going Green'.

Don't forget to visit the Exhibition and cast your vote for the Friends of Aldinga Scrub entry in the Popular Vote competition!

News from the Park

- Planting has now finished and all seedlings have been watered in.
- Mesh fencing has been erected near Quandong Avenue to keep kangaroo traffic away from the new plantings in the dunes.
- Working bee crews have been removing occasional outbreaks of boneseed; we are pleased to report that this invasive species is now largely under control.
- Our contractors have completed their work removing veldt grass and other introduced species around the Coral Lichen Circuit, and attacking woody weeds and bridal creeper in targeted areas.
- Freesias are flowering at this time and are being dug out, particularly around the Dover Street entrance.

Committee news

- In September, we attended a brief visit with Minister Spiers and departmental staff at the Washpool.
- Last month, we hosted a group from Friends of Botanic Gardens on a walk through the Park.
- Several committee members recently attended the first meeting to discuss implementation of the Washpool revegetation plan.

Working Bees

Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am

Working bees will continue on Tuesday mornings throughout the spring 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

