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# Belair National Park

of  
volunteers working for Conservation

Established 1985

Best Newsletter 1996 - Friends Group of the year 1998

MARCH 1999

## PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1999.

It seems like only yesterday that I accepted the President's position with some degree of trepidation, especially since there was to be a special general meeting the following Saturday with the contentious subject of mountain bikes in the park. Unfortunately decisions have not apparently been reached nor has there been any feed back.

Before I start listing the details of the year I must take this opportunity to thank everyone who has done anything, no matter how small, which has made the past year the success I believe it has been.

I must give thanks to the Committee that has done an excellent job to such an extent I sometimes wondered what my duties were. There was almost 100% attendance at the committee meetings. There were a couple of exceptions. One member had to miss a few because of work commitments and another, whom I will not name, on an afternoon prior to a committee meeting only meant to have a quick forty winks. Forty turned into eighty, by which time it was too late to attend the meeting. It has been a real team effort and I must include two members, Ann Ross (printing the news letter), and Barbara Warburton (membership secretary) who, although not on the committee, worked extremely well with the committee.

Through the efforts of the committee we have endeavoured to simplify the general meetings and to leave minor decision making and debate for the committee. I believe we now have a good format for our general meetings where we concentrate on reports and speakers. A fine-tuning of a format inherited from previous presidents.

During the year we have had seven speakers who included John Hunwick, Tim Fulbohm, Dan & Bev Jaeger, Dr. Ken Sanderson, Craig Clarke & Janine Lloyd, Janine Kraehenbuehl, Dr. Ralph Foster and Peter Alexander. The topics they spoke on were respectively bilbies, exchange ranger in West Australia, travels in Nepal, bats in the Park, biological control of bone seed, bandicoot program in the Park, native grasses and the Flinders Ranges - Operation fightback.

On five occasions we have had Park Rangers, Malcolm Lane, Darren Willis, Stuart Paul and Janine Kraehenbuehl give us updates on happenings in the Park. Malcolm reported on general Fauna management, Stuart on vegetation management, Darren on the alterations to Long Gully and Janine two half-yearly reports on general park management.

There are currently two working bees per week with an extra one per month on the third Sunday. Since the advent of the Vegetation Management Plan all area references relate to the plan. Several areas have been worked through the year. The main areas have been units 16,17,18 & 23 with Sunday working bees concentrating along the creek line on the northern side of unit 12. Units 17 & 23 are near completion while unit 18 was the target for Weed Busters Week. Part areas have been tackled in units 2, 6, 8, 10, 51 & 52

Members propagated approximately 1400 trees. Just over 300 were planted at the Old Government House area with the bulk being planted by the Green Corps in the Melville Gully area. A good survival rate was achieved in both areas.

For the working bees I have estimated the work hours as 1000 plus. The number of work hours listed always falls short of reality. Members can not always get to meetings and hence hours are often not recorded. In addition no records are kept of the hours put in for special functions, mentioned below, or the time spent by everyone attending meetings, attending functions and administration.

From April to December the number of people attending the Tuesday walks hovered around twenty. These guided walks are an enjoyable way to learn about the Park.

During the year a variety of different functions were attended by or run by the friends. In April a display was set up in a marquee on Pines Oval at a Federation of Walking Groups. Members were in attendance to answer any queries.

This was followed in May by the Parks and wildlife Festival held on the Main Oval. Our intrepid Vice President placed our trailer by the front door of the Pavilion where members set up a prime site display complete with weed samples. One youngster wanted to know how much to buy the plants. It was from this display that members led guided walks around Playford Lake.

In June the members catered a function for the Community Liaison Unit. Although it was very successful, it is not a type of function that the members want to do on a regular basis. Currently we are not in financial need and it is felt the time is better spent in the field like the tree planting in July.

A weather forecast, which included gale force winds, heavy rain and possible hail did not deter over 18 friends and members of the public turning up to plant 300+ trees. It stopped raining as we started. It started raining as we stopped.

The Forum at Meningie on the 10-11th of October was a huge success with twenty members attending. Lynda Knight received an individual award that was well deserved. Our group also received the Friends Group of 1998. The icing on the cake was a cheque for \$600 from National Parks Foundation that went with the award.

The period 11-18th of October was Weed Busters Week with members being rostered on mornings and afternoons for eight days to guide members of the public weed pulling. Several new members were gained. Before this finished we held the annual Professor Cleland Walk on the 17th of October. Over fifty members of the public joined the Friends for a walk led by Enid Robertson.

Three functions were highlights in December. First was the Christmas Parade through the streets of Blackwood in which we entered a float. Unfortunately this clashed (two years in a row) with an appreciation barbecue held for the friends of the Sturt District. The final function of the year was the birthday tea held at the Volunteer Centre. The Birthday Tea is always held on the 19th. Because this was a Saturday night it was felt that numbers would be down. Contrary to expectations the Centre was full, with everyone enjoying a superb meal and having a good time.

Back in March an unexpected donation of \$500 was received from the Friends of Old Government House. Only one condition was attached to the gift in as much it was to be spent on The Volunteer Centre.

Two competitions were entered during the year. Landcare through the Community Liaison Unit and KESAB through the Mitcham Council. The entry in the Landcare competition brought no joy, but KESAB was almost a winner. We received a certificate from the Mitcham Council and we were a finalist in the overall State competition for which we received a certificate. This might not sound important or productive, but it did produce an overall summary of our achievements and our aims. I believe it is important to stand back and have a good look at one's self from time to time.

Two people must get a special thank you. They are Lynda Knight and Beth Pitman. Lynda stayed on the committee as a member and Beth as secretary. Their wealth of present and past knowledge of the Friends was a big help to the committee and is greatly appreciated.

In closing I would like to make two recommendations to the new committee.

Start a regular working bee on the weekend e.g. Saturday morning.

Enlist people to care for a particular Vegetative Management Unit or part thereof.

Both of these have been discussed over the past year and some interest has been shown. We can never have enough workers.

Thanks again to everybody for a good year.

Enjoy Learn Preserve.

Brian DuBois

## **DOUGLAS RILEY**

At the time of writing the annual report our estimable Doug had not stated categorically that he wanted to have a break from his responsibilities with the Friends. He and Ruth have decided that they want to take a few trips. However he has assured me that he still intends to work in the Park whenever he can. Thanks Doug from all of us for the sterling effort that you have put into the Park as Working Bee convener.

## **ADOPT - A BLOCK.**

This scheme, a development of the traditional method of working in the Park of one or two people to look after a particular area of the Park is being formalised.

It is extremely important that a vegetation management unit, that has been thoroughly weeded, should be maintained. If there is no follow up then we are wasting our time.

This follow up is light weeding and with time should only mean a walk in the Park. Healthy and satisfying.

If you have the skills then please give this scheme serious consideration. If you do not have the skills, please join a working bee, acquire them and then adopt - a - block.

## **JOBS FOR ALL.**

If you would like to contribute your talents to the Friends, but cannot join a regular weeding bee, we are looking for help in lots of other areas. Adopt-a-block for follow-up weeding - photographer - publicity officer - seed collection - sieving & weighing seeds - seed propagation - displays at Volunteer Centre. Have you another talent that we can use? Please contact any committee member with offers.

## **NEW FOR 1999**

Working Bee. Every Saturday morning starting 20th March. 9.00 am to 11.00 am  
meet at the Information Centre. Leader Brian DuBois

Please bring gloves and if you have a light mattock bring it too. We do have some tools so don't let the lack of a tool stop you. If the weather is warm bring something to drink.

If you would like to have the opportunity to work on the weekends and Saturday is not convenient at all let me know. Phone 8278 4275. Saturday is being tried, but it may be that Sunday would be better.

## COMING EVENTS

Saturday March 6th 1999

General Meeting at Volunteer Centre, Long Gully at 1pm, followed by John Hunwick speaking on "Parks - Past, Present and Future".

Saturday March 20th 1999

New weekly weekend working bee. 9am to 11am Meet at Information Centre. Details Brian Du Bois. 8278 4275

Saturday 3rd April 1999 - Easter. PLEASE NOTE - MEETING DATE CHANGED TO 10th APRIL.

Saturday April 10th 1999. NOTE CHANGE OF DATE TO THE WEEK AFTER EASTER.

General Meeting at Volunteer Centre, Long Gully.

Barbecue for the Friends at 12.30pm. \$2 per head and please bring a salad or slice to share. General Meeting will follow the barbecue.

Tuesday April 13th 1999.

First guided walk for the year. Meet outside the Information Centre in the Park at 2pm.

Guided walks are conducted on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month from April until December. Enquires to Lynda Knight 8278 - 2623.

Saturday 5th June 1999 (World Environment Day) NOTE CHANGE OF DATE.

The 1999 Parks & Wildlife Festival held in Belair National Park.

Previously announced as Sunday 2nd May, but the Crows and Port Power are playing each other that day so how can we compete?

August 1999. Friday 13th to Sunday 15th August 1999.

Friends of Parks Inc. 15th Annual Forum, hosted by Friends of Southern Mallee Parks, and held in Pinnaroo... discover the hidden magic of the Mallee.

September 18th 1999.

Professor Cleland Memorial Walk. This date is tentative and has to be confirmed.

October 1999. Sunday 10th to Sunday 17th October 1999

Weedbuster Week.

December 19th 1999, Sunday.

Birthday Party for Belair National Park.

## OFFICER BEARERS FOR 1999

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SPEAKERS	Mr. Ron Pitman	8276 9260
PLANT PROPAGATION	Mr. Brian Du Bois	8278 4275
LIAISON RANGER	Mrs. Janine Kraehenbuhl	

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are now due. \$5.00 for Single membership. \$7.50 for Family.

Please send to;

The Treasurer.  
Friends of Belair National Park.  
P.O. Box 2.  
BELAIR. S.A. 5052.

## TUESDAY WALKS IN THE PARK.

Since the last newsletter, our group has walked on a few occasions and have found Hyacinth orchids and a few very small native lobelias. Lack of rain has the Park looking very parched and we hope rain falls soon. The garland lilies (*Calostemma purpureum*) might flower in March - they are prolific at the junction of Gooch Road and Pines Oval.

The twice monthly walks will re-commence at 2pm on April 13th, unless the weather is extremely unfavourable. Phone Lynda on 82782623 at 1pm, if in doubt.

## PROFESSOR CLELAND WALK, SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER, 1998.

At 10am on Saturday, 18th October, approximately 80 people were introduced to Mrs Enid Robertson, A.M., by the President of the Friends of Belair National Park, Mr Brian DuBois.. Mrs Robertson then outlined the route to be taken for the morning walk, leading to the Government Farm Oval No 2.

The first native plant which Enid discussed was a group of *Dianella Longifolia* (pale Wax Lily) which is rare in Belair Park. We then moved on with discussions on soil diversity, weed growth - trees along Workanda Creek and many interesting plants. Some people were delighted to see a koala with baby.

After discussing many native flowers as we went along, our group eventually reached the luncheon spot, where some members of the group left for home. About 20 people continued with the walk after lunch, in spite of unexpectedly hot weather and an unpleasant North wind.

We were all very grateful to Enid for giving us her time and knowledge on this walk.

Lynda Knight.

## WORKING BEE ANNUAL REPORT.

I would like to convey my thanks to the hard workers who attend our working Bees. Some of our members donate two hours a week, some more than two hours a week, on a regular basis. Its this attack on our introduced weeds shows that over the last year.

A total of 1121 person hours has been logged over the year. To some it may seem an impossible task and it might be difficult to see the impact we have made. It is a mistake to look at what has to be done, you should always look at what has been done. We do and that encourages us to keep going.

Over the last couple of years, by referring to the map we have completed units 2,14,15,16,38,40 and 48. Units 17 and 23 are well advanced with considerable hours spent on 8,10 and 18. The completed units were finished nearly 2 years ago. Unfortunately the Boneseed and African Daisy etc seed left on the ground has germinated and the young plants are ready to flower, probably next spring. If we don't go through these units and pull out young plants before the seed sets, in no time these areas will revert to what they were before we started. This follow up maintenance is fairly easy. Using a systematic approach, coloured ribbons used as markers on trees helps cover the area more efficiently. What we would like is for a member in his or her own time to adopt a unit to do this important follow up.

I had a look at unit 2, this is the unit adjacent to the Belair Railway Station and Upper Sturt Road. The Christmas Bush (*Bursaria Spinosa*) just south of the Maze is flowering profusely, well worth a look. When you see attractive flowering natives re-establishing itself it motivates the "Weeder". However this area is in need of maintenance as there are a lot of young Boneseed and African Daisy etc emerging.

Maybe there are some members who haven't tried weeding but would like to adopt a unit that needs maintenance. If we can get enough people to cover the units needing this treatment, the regular weeders can get on with the task of removing the big stuff. Contact Brian DuBois on 8278 4275 if you are interested, it is rewarding I promise you.

With close co-operation with Janine, our Liaison Ranger, we have developed a very efficient way to kill Olives. This method has been used for about two months, the results have been outstanding and besides its easier.

I would like to congratulate our President on a job well done and also the other office holders, Beth Pitman our Secretary in particular. Beth has done a difficult job very efficiently over a number of years. We didn't get a Friends Group of the Year Award for nothing.

Doug Riley. A.G.M. 1998.

## BUSHCARE SITE ON SHEOAK ROAD

As most of you are aware I have been working on Sheoak Road from Gate 2 clearing all feral plants from both inside and outside the fence. In September I was assigned an area between Gates 7 and 8 by Trees For Life as my bushcare site. I am sharing this area with another couple, Elizabeth and John Remilton, who have been working there for the past three or four years. As they continue to painstakingly clear the boneseed and broom etc from the area by cutting and swabbing individual plants I am undertaking some erosion control in the hope of stopping the quite severe erosion caused by the roadway runoff. To do this I am using bundles of newspapers tied quite tightly and then wedged in between the squared up sides of the gullies.

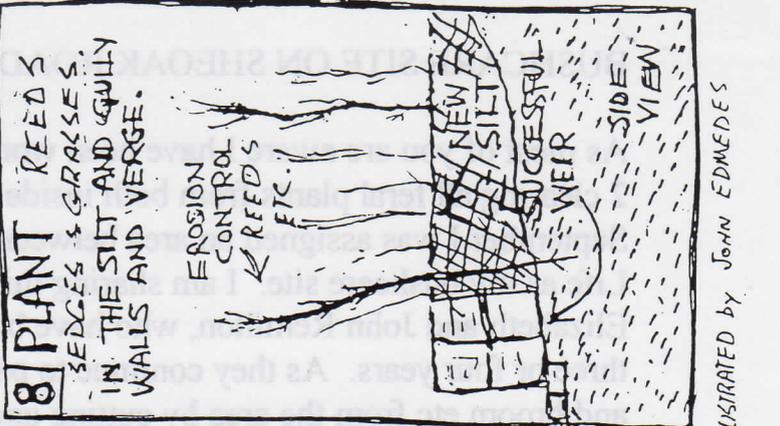
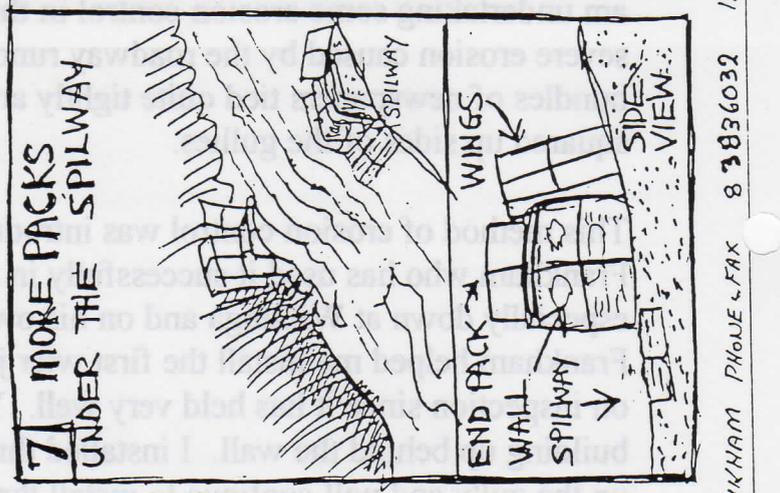
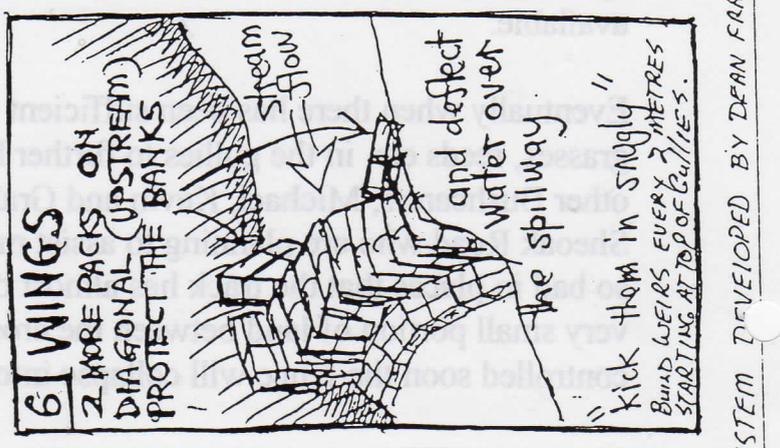
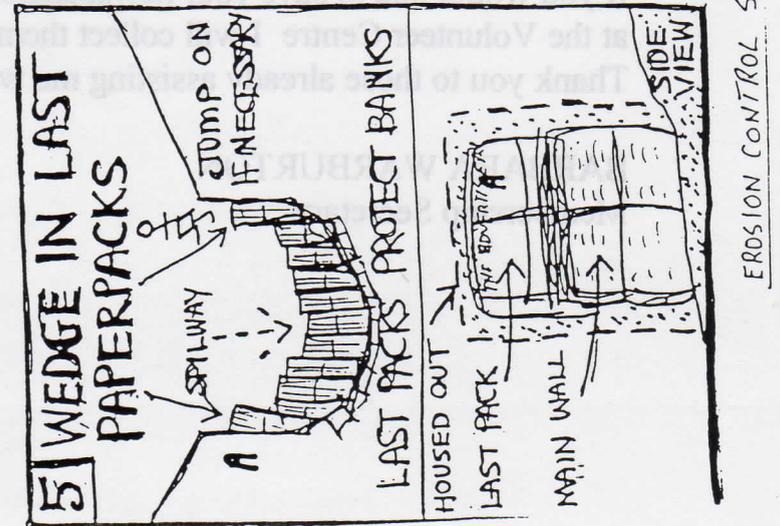
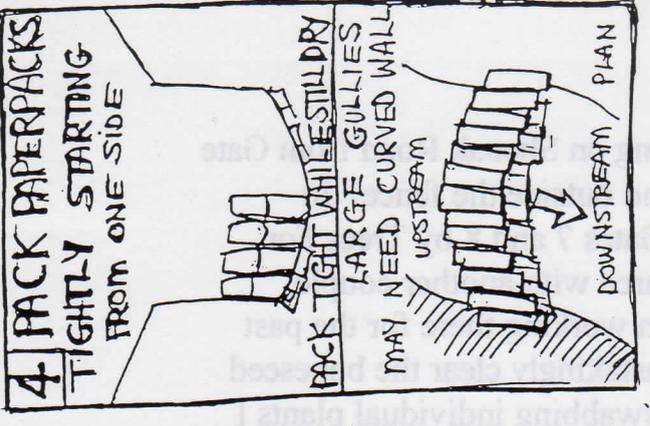
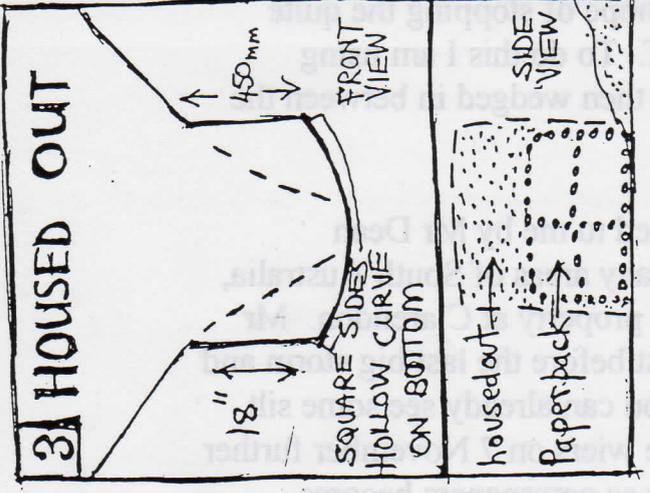
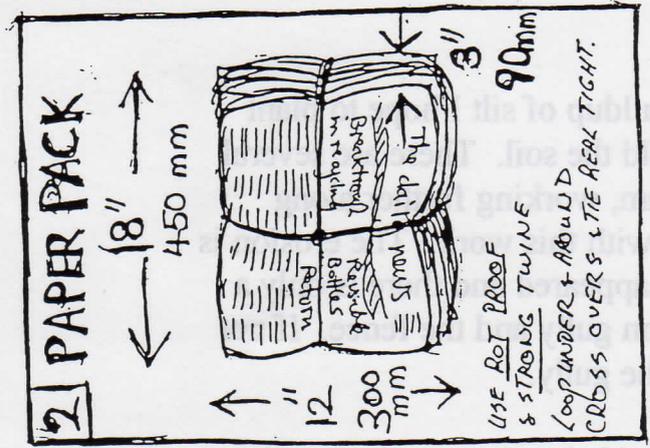
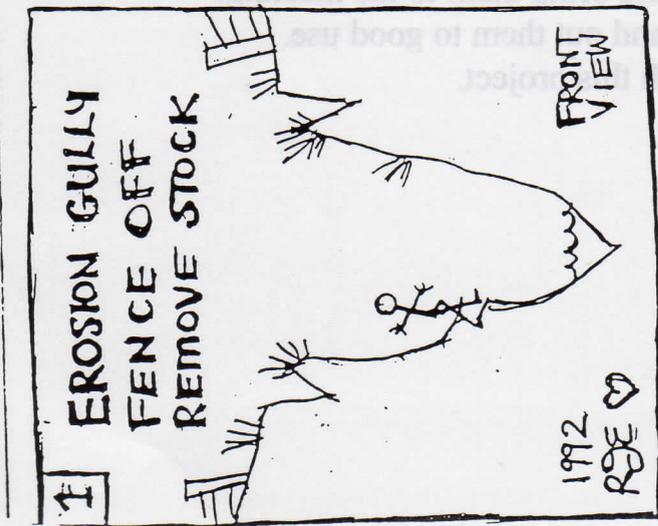
This method of erosion control was introduced to me by Mr Dean Frankham who has used it successfully in many areas of South Australia, especially down at Willunga and on his own property at Clarendon. Mr Frankham helped me install the first wier just before the last big storm and on inspection since it has held very well. You can already see some silt building up behind the wall. I installed three wiers on 7 November further up the gully and will continue to install them as newspapers become available.

Eventually when there has been sufficient buildup of silt I hope to plant grasses, reeds etc. in the gullies to further hold the soil. There are several other Bushcarers, Michael, Kevin and Graham, working further along Sheoak Road who are planning to assist me with this work. The erosion is so bad in places that the track has almost disappeared and there is only a very small portion of land between the erosion gully and the fence. If not controlled soon the fence will collapse into the gully.

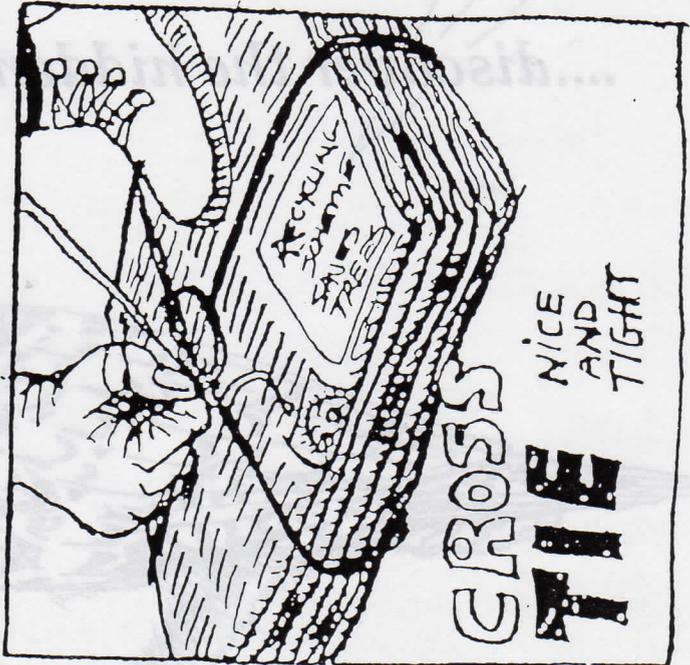
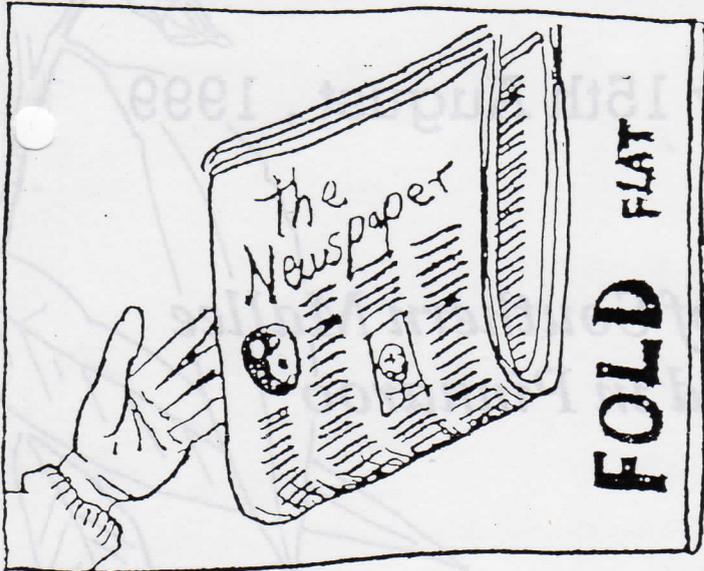
If you would like to save your newspapers and bring them to the meetings at the Volunteer Centre I will collect them and put them to good use. Thank you to those already assisting me with this project.

BARBARA WARBURTON  
Membership Secretary

PAPER PACKS INSTALLED TO FORM GULLY



EROSION CONTROL SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY DEAN FRANKHAM PHONE & FAX 8 3836032 ILLUSTRATED BY JOHN EDMEDES





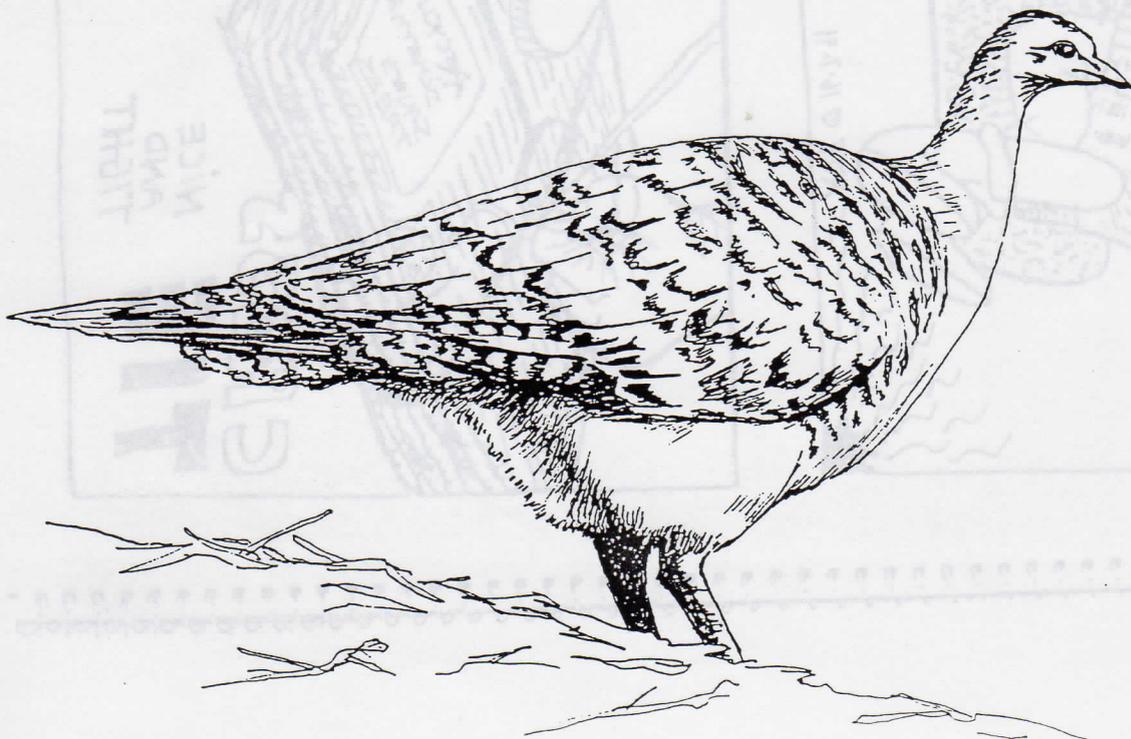
*An invitation to the*

# FRIENDS OF PARKS INC. 15TH ANNUAL FORUM

Friday 13th - Sunday 15th August, 1999

*Hosted by Friends of Southern Mallee  
Parks, and held in Pinnaroo*

*....discover the hidden magic of the Mallee...*



## FREE BUSHCARE SUPPORT WORKSHOP IN THE ADELAIDE HILLS

The Nature Conservation Society of South Australia, Trees for Life and Greening Australia, have been contracted to run Biodiversity Workshops throughout South Australia as part of the Bushcare Support Program. These workshops are particularly aimed at community groups interested in conserving and managing native vegetation, but other interested members of the public and government employees are also welcome.

A free Bushcare Support Workshop is being held in the Adelaide Hills at Lenswood. The workshop will commence with slide shows and talks by botanist Andrew Crompton, zoologist Jason van Weenen, and fungi expert Patrick O'Connor. This will be followed by field trips to the nearby Filsell Hill section of Kenneth Stirling Conservation Park, and an adjacent Heritage Agreement area.

Andrew is expert on the native vegetation of the Mount Lofty Ranges and has run numerous courses for TAFE on plant identification and native vegetation management, in particular weed control. He will explain why Mount Lofty Range's flora is so unique, what are the main threats to the region's flora, which habitats and species are most threatened, and what members of the public can do to alleviate the threats.

Jason is an expert on reptiles and has undertaken extensive research into endangered mammals for the Department of Environment, Heritage and Aboriginal Affairs. As well as showing slides of rare and extinct mammals of the Mount Lofty Ranges, he will show live specimens of the reptiles occurring in the Hills and explain the habitats in which they occur. He will also explain the issues that influence the survival of fauna in a block of scrub, and will discuss how to manage bushland and revegetate in a manner which most encourages their survival. Three quarters of the world's species are invertebrates, such as insects, and Jason will explain why such species are so important in healthy bushland.

Patrick is completing a PhD on fungi growing on the roots of plants. Fungi are the forgotten kingdom, a quarter of a million species occurring in Australia of which only 5% have been identified. Patrick will talk about the work fungi do in ecosystems and how fungi are critical for the survival of many plants and animals.

The workshop will commence at Lenswood Memorial Park Hall at 9am on Saturday 13th March 1999 and after lunch will involve a visit with the three speakers to the Conservation Park and the adjacent "Tanderra Sanctuary" Heritage Agreement area.

**Date: Saturday 13th March 1999**

**Time: 9am - 4pm**

**Location: Lenswood Memorial Park Hall, Swamp Rd., Lenswood**  
(at rear of oval about 1½Kms south of Lobethal Rd.)

**Bring: your lunch (Tea/coffee and morning tea provided)**

Further details on these workshops can be obtained from Greening Australia Bushcare Support Officer Ben Moulton (phone 8207 8757).

These Workshops are funded by Bushcare – a program of the Commonwealth Government's Natural Heritage Trust.

## JUST A THOUGHT.

This we know.  
The Earth does not belong to Man  
Man belongs to the Earth  
This we know.

All things are connected, like blood which unites a family, all things are connected.  
Whatever befalls the Earth befalls the sons of the Earth

Man did not weave the web of life,  
he is merely a strand in it.  
Whatever he does to the web,  
he does to himself.-----  
Continue to contaminate your bed,  
and you will one night suffocate in your own waste.

Seen on an exhibit at The Friends of Parks Forum, Meningie. 1998.

## DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER.

Friday 21st May 1999.

Date: Saturday 13th March 1999

Time: 9am - 4pm

Location: Lenswood Memorial Park Hall, Swamp Rd., Lenswood

(at rear of oval about 1.5Kms south of Cobbold Rd.)

Bring: your lunch (Tea/coffee and morning tea provided)

Further details on these workshops can be obtained from Greening Australia-Buscare Support Officer Ben Moulton (phone 8207 8727).

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# **FRIENDS OF BELAIR NATIONAL PARK**

## **CONSTITUTION.**

### **1 NAME**

The name of the organisation shall be "The Friends of Belair National Park" (a member of Friends of Parks Inc.), hereinafter called "The Group".

### **2. OBJECTS**

The objects of The Group shall be:-

- (1) To provide voluntary assistance to Belair National Park in close cooperation and liaison with the staff.
- (2) To raise funds for special projects to benefit Belair National Park and for administration and social activities of the Friends of Belair National Park.
- (3) To provide cultural and social activities for the enjoyment of Members and the public.
- (4) To provide support for the protection and preservation of the natural and historic values of Belair National Park.

### **3. MEMBERSHIP**

- (1) Members shall be any person having an interest in the well being of the Park.
- (2) Membership will comprise:
  - (i) Individual
  - (ii) Family.
  - (iii) Corporate.
- (3) On joining The Group a new member shall be provided with a copy of the Constitution and information on the history of the Park and The Group.
- (4) The Group shall elect Honorary Associate members on the recommendation of the Committee, on an annual basis. Life Membership shall be granted upon the recommendation of the Committee.
- (5)
  - (i) Subscriptions shall fall due on 1st January every calendar year.
  - (ii) The annual subscription rates for each class of membership shall be such sum as the members shall determine from time to time in a general meeting.

- (6) Any new member joining more than six months into the calendar year shall pay half the full subscription rate applicable at that time.
- (7) Termination of membership shall be in writing and forwarded to the secretary or after six months of non-payment of fees a member shall be deemed non-financial and after twelve months of non-payment of fees such person shall cease to be a member.
- (8) Upon any person resigning for any reason whatsoever a refund of fees shall not apply.
- (9) Corporate Members shall have one representative who shall have voting rights at any meeting and shall represent the interests of the organisation. The name of such representative shall be given to the secretary prior to the commencement of any meeting.

#### 4. **OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE**

- (1) Office Bearers shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and shall be elected from the financial members at the Annual General Meeting.
- (2) The Office Bearers together with four additional financial members constitute the Committee, of which a quorum shall be four.
- (3) In the event of a tied vote the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.
- (4) The Committee has the power to co-opt members to fill casual vacancies on the Committee. An absent member may nominate another member in writing to act as proxy.

#### 5. **MEETINGS**

- (1) General Meetings shall be held once a month, excepting in the month of January when no meeting shall be held.
- (2) At a General Meeting, a quorum shall consist of twenty five per cent of financial members.
- (3) Each financial member shall be entitled to one vote. A Corporate Member shall be entitled to two votes.
- (4) Voting shall be by a show of hands unless the meeting decides that it should be by secret ballot.
- (5) In the case of a tied vote the Chairperson's casting vote must be in favour of the status quo.
- (6) The Secretary shall call a special General Meeting at the request in writing of not less than twenty per cent of members and shall give at least two weeks' notice of such meeting with full particulars of the purpose for which it has been called

## 6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (1) The Annual General Meeting shall be held at least once every calendar year and not more than four months after the close of the financial year.
- (2) At least two weeks written notice shall be given for the Annual General Meeting.
- (3) A quorum shall be twenty five per cent of the financial membership.
- (4) The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:-
  - (i) To receive the audited financial statement for the previous financial year.
  - (ii) To appoint an Auditor for the following financial year.
  - (iii) To elect or re-elect Office Bearers and Committee, according to the rules.
    - (a) All positions for Office Bearers and Committee shall be declared vacant but any Office Bearer or Committee Member may stand for re-election. The returning Officer shall be the outgoing President (or nominee).
    - (b) Nomination for each candidate for election of Office Bearer or Committee Member shall be proposed and seconded respectively by two members.
    - (c) The election of Office Bearers and the other Committee Members shall be by show of hands or secret ballot of members present, as deemed appropriate. A ballot shall be required when the number of candidates for each office exceeds the number of vacancies.
  - (iv) To conduct any other business placed on the agenda before the commencement of the meeting.

## 7. TREASURER'S DUTIES

- (1) The Treasurer shall keep records of the financial affairs of The Group, including records of monies received and banked and monies dispersed by cheque or as petty cash. Financial statements and a report on the financial affairs of The Group shall be presented to General Meetings. Cheques shall be signed by any two of the following three, viz. President, Secretary or Treasurer.
- (2) At the Annual General Meeting the Treasurer shall present an audited financial statement for the previous financial year.

**8. FINANCES AND PROPERTY**

- (1) The financial year shall be deemed to be from 1st January to 31st December each year.
- (2) No Office Bearer or Member of the Committee shall receive any payment for services other than that raised by subscriptions, and then only after the consent of the members at a General Meeting.
- (3) On dissolution of The Group all property of The Group remaining after payment of all debts and legal liabilities shall be transferred to the Community Liaison Unit of the National Parks and Wildlife Service, to be used by other Friends of Parks Groups in the Sturt District of the National Parks and Wildlife Service.
- (4) The Group can only be dissolved by a vote of two thirds of members (personal or by proxy) at a special meeting called for that purpose. Advice of not less than one calendar month's written notice, including notice of the proposed dissolution, must be given to all members by the Secretary or representative of the Secretary.

**9. AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION**

This Constitution may be repealed, altered or amended by resolution of two thirds of members present at an Annual General Meeting of which four weeks' notice of the proposed repeal, alteration or amendment has been given to all members.

President..... *B. DuBois* ..... Secretary..... *J. K. Salvo* .....

Date..... *10.2.99* .....