

## Canberra Nature Park



## P A R K C A R E

Hi Everyone,

Thanks to the generosity of several members we have \$130 profit from the Garage Sale to put into the bank. I believe Parks & Conservation now wish us to become Incorporated to protect ourselves from any claims which might be made against us.

The work on the dam near Kathner Street came to a halt as the land is too wet - work will recommence when it dries out.

The new planting area is now ready and the BIG PLANTING DAY IS SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER between 9.30am and 3.30pm. We hope everyone will be able to come along - even if only for a little while. If you are really unable to come on the Sunday we will be there all day Saturday too. It would be lovely if all our active members could plant something that weekend - even better if you can bring a friend (plus bucket and spade).

At our NORMAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 3RD we will be tidying up the general planting area so come to Titheradge Place and walk up the hill. If you could bring something to cut grass it would be useful.

ON NOVEMBER 7TH we will be back at Guinness Place.

DECEMBER 5TH - end of year meeting - how about a picnic on Cooleman Trig? - overlooking the planting area. (if wet at 21 Ordell St)

We lose a lot of our help from the Rangers when the bush fire season starts in November but the plants don't stop growing, so please keep pulling weeds etc and also watch out for suspicious activities during the school holidays.

## DATES FOR THE REST OF 1993

SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER	Titheradge Place 1.30pm
THURSDAY 14TH OCTOBER	Malcolm Gill's talk - Athllon Drive
SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER	Tree Planting all day
WEDNESDAY 20TH OCTOBER	Craft Sale at 21 Ordell St Chapman 9am to 9pm
SUNDAY 7TH NOVEMBER	Guinness Place 1.30pm
SUNDAY 5TH DECEMBER	Cooleman Trig Picnic 1.30pm

Thank you to everyone who has worked on the Ridge during the year. The improvement is really marvellous.

Cheers

Bess

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Congratulations to Paul Weiss for winning a Churchill Fellowship.

PLEASE try to cut down or pull up a few weeds when you have time to spare and, if you back on to the Ridge, try to get your neighbours to clear the area behind their house.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

August 22,29 ) Namatjira Drive Between 9.30 and 3.30  
September 12,19,26)

September 5th ) Guinness Place 1.30  
November 7th )

October 3,10,17,24,31 Tree Plantations up from Titheradge Place  
Any time between 9.30 and 3.30  
Tree planting and removal of briars.

SATURDAY August 28th Garage Sale from 8am

THURSDAY October 14th Talk by Malcolm Gill time TBD

I have just written an annual report for Parks and Conservation which said that from June 92 to June 93 we spent 1153 hours on the Ridge killing 100,000 herbacious weeds and 2250 woody weeds and we planted 460 trees. Not bad going!

Hope we can improve on that this year!

Cheers

BESS

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PS. Late News. FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD is National Landcare Day and the launch of Telecom Plant-a-Million Project. If you are at home and could spare time to plant we will meet at Kathner St at 9.30 and make our way somewhere from there. I've not had time to organize anything yet.

PPS. Even Later News. Attached is an extract from this years Vertebrate Atlas Report showing what you can expect to meet on Cooleman Ridge - there are some serious omissions so if you see anything else send in a report.

EXTRACT FROM VERTEBRATE ATLAS OF THE ACT FOR COOLEMAN RIDGE

*Aprasia parapulchella* - Pink-tailed legless lizard  
*Carlia tetradactyla* - Four-fingered skink  
*Cunis familiaris* - Dingo  
*Crinea signifera* - Common eastern froglet  
*Ctenotus robustus* - Striped skink  
*Delma inornata* - Common legless lizard  
*Egernia cunninghami* - Cunningham's skink  
*Lampropholis delicata* - Delicate skink  
*Lepus capensis* - Brown hare  
*Macropus giganteus* - Eastern grey kangaroo  
*Morethia boulengeri* - Boulenger's skink  
*Neobatrachus sudelli* - Burrowing frog  
*Nyctophilus geoffroyi* - Lesser long-eared bat  
*Phyllodactylus marmoratus* - Marbled gecko  
*Pseudechis porphyriacus* - Red-bellied black snake  
*Pseudonaja textilis* - Eastern brown snake  
*Ramphotyphlops nigrescens* - Blind snake  
*Tachyglossus aculeatus* - Short-beaked echidna  
*Tiliqua scincoides* - Common blue tongue  
*Vulpes vulpes* - Fox.