

MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 55

SEPTEMBER 1997



Hi Everyone,

What a month this has been. With marvellous help from the Badimara and Weston cub packs we planted 563 trees for Arbor Week and 280 grasses and herbaceous plants for Green Up Day.

Chapman Primary School students have planted hardenbergias which they have grown from our seed.

The Corrective Service people have done a large amount of whipper snipping in the planted area and we have students cutting grasses in the original plantations. In addition we have begun large scale poisoning of thistles.

Robin Seeley has put a duck house on each of the two dams, one is a bit bogged but the ducks have been sitting on the roof! Thanks Robin, Claire and family.

The choice of a Friday evening for the AGM was a success, 14 members came and made valuable contributions to the AGM and the ordinary meeting which followed. The election of officers was as follows:-

President	Bess Sledge
Vice-President	Pauline Lyngå
Secretary	David Sledge
Treasurer	Paul Weiss
Project Officer	Pauline Lyngå
Waterwatch Officer	Claire Powell

Gösta Lyngå is the Minutes Secretary

I have hats, T-shirts, badges and large stickers for anyone who would like them.

Attached to this newsletter is your membership form, to save paper we are re-issuing last years form. Please re-sign and date it and return to 21 Ordell St Chapman.

For our October meeting, which is the Sunday of the long weekend, we will be tidying up the plantings of 2 years ago as well as whipper snipping the oldest plantations. I will be there all day from 10am. I would like you to come and see how easy it is to whipper snip after the original growth has been removed, just like cutting a lawn. The grasses will need a second cut with all this lovely rain we are getting. Drive to Titheradge Place (lower entrance); walk up to and over the fire trail to the plantations.

We still have three areas of the Ridge where no one is mapping the mature trees. If you think you could help please let me know. We have all the kit you need and Gösta or Tony will help you get started.

Malcolm

Statistics for August:-

Hours	336 + CIT Weston 60 =396
Woody weeds	105
Herbaceous weeds	22000
Planted Trees & shrubs	100
Herbaceous plants	-
Grasses	50

Whipper snipped grant area

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 5th October

Whipper snipping and tidying 10 - 4pm
Plantations via Titheradge Place

Whipper snipping will go on every Sunday in October 10 - 3pm do come and help.

Wednesday 5th November

Craft and Produce Sale 9am - 9pm
21 Ordell St Chapman

Also keep you diary free for the following:-

Sunday 9th November

Walk with Field Naturalists, 10am Kathner St

Sunday 16th November

Bird walk with Bruce, 8.30am Kathner St

Sunday 30th November

Grass Identification with Leon,
1.30pm Monkman St Steps

Cheers and Thank You to all the helpers

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