

MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 67
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Hi Everyone,

What a wonderful attendance at the AGM! Thank you to the 20 people who came, Ann Connolly was very impressed. For those of you who couldn't come you have the same team running the show again this year. At the General Meeting which followed Ann Connolly gave an overview of her work. We decided that as from January 1999 our Park Care day would be on the third Sunday of the month and would be a day-long activity. This way we will avoid all the long week ends and will have time to have some really worthwhile activities.

We managed to pull well over our 100,000 Paterson's Curse target. Since then there has been a comprehensive spraying program carried out by the Government personnel along all the slash trails. When the St. John's Wort flowers I hope to get that sprayed too. If you know of a patch of it please let me know so that I can map it for them. Some of us became temporary film stars the other week when a video was taken for release during next year's International Year of Older Persons. It proved to be a most interesting morning, thank you to the people who participated.

Attached to this newsletter is a Caretaker's report form for those of you who have a patch. We would welcome more volunteers, particularly for the Kathner St dam area and the "cow camp" above the Chauvel Circle gate, which have already been cleared once. There is also a membership form for those not given theirs at the AGM; please fill out and sign the new forms or sign again at the bottom of a once used form as applicable, and return to 21 Ordell St Chapman before the end of the year. A Craft Sale notice is also attached, for yourself or a friend. We hope to sell more than ever this year as there is no Coolman Court Carnival to provide us with a stall. For the benefit of new members we will accept anything saleable and take only 10% commission. We also accept donations!

Now the better weather seems to be arriving I would like to start whipper snipping again; would anyone be willing to join me or do you know of anyone who would work for \$10 an hour? Its amazing the difference one hours work makes. The thistles at the top of Mt Arawang are getting away from Tina so we will be helping her remove them at our November 8th meeting. She and I will be there from 10am to 4pm so come and join us at any time. If you could bring your own tool for digging or chopping it would be appreciated as I don't want to have to carry too much up the mountain.

Could you please let me know the hours you worked on/off the Ridge in October?

Statistics for September :-

Hours	On Ridge	509½ !! (ATCV 102, Weston CIT 74)
	Off Ridge	98½
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		230
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		57462 (57329 Paterson's Curse)
Trees and shrubs planted		10
Herbaceous plants planted		938
Grasses planted		330
Whipper snipping		49 hours

Dates to Remember:

Friday 6th November	Giant Sale, 21 Ordell St Chapman
Saturday 7th November	9am - 9pm
Sunday 8th November	Mt Arawang Trig Point 10 - 4

Cheers

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