

MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 85

July 2000



Hi Everyone,

Another successful month in June, 11 people came to the monthly meeting and dug up a lot more verbascum. The Art & Craft Show made a profit of \$550, thank you to the people who helped to look after the stall. The raffle was won by Mrs Davis from Duffy who was delighted with the prize.

This month we will again be at the Olympic site. Pauline Lyngå will be leading the group and they will be weeding around a rocky outcrop. For those of you feeling more energetic we need holes digging ready for the trees and shrubs to be planted next month. I will take up 100 stakes if you could put one in each hole as a marker please. Bring your own tools.

I hope you have all marked down Saturday 5th August as a "must be there day". If you can't plant you could help with the registrations, with the plants or with hosting duties. I would like it to be the "Friendly Planting Day" and have people socialize as well as plant. If members could bring light refreshments for themselves and one other person it would be a great help. The actual planting time is 10am to 4pm but I will be there from 8 if anyone wants to come early.

We have been chosen as one of 25 groups in all Australia to be linked with a sponsor (Westpac). We hope some of their members will be at the planting. We are sending out flyers to the schools and cubs and have extra ones here if anyone would like to distribute them. We are away from 14 - 27 July so it will be all systems go when we return. I will be at the site the weekend before the planting (29,30 July) and would welcome help in preparing the ground for planting. If we have any energy left for our proper meeting day (20th August) we will take a working walk along the new nature trail.

I have a copy of the new COG book "Birds of Canberra Gardens" if you would like to see it. If you want to buy one Ann McKenzie can sell you one at a very reasonable price. I am at present compiling a list of tools which are out on loan to members. Could you please check on what you have and let me know. I have bought a grinder to sharpen anything which has gone blunt. Thank you to the caretakers for their prompt submission of their hours worked. As it was the end of the quarter the numbers had to be in last Monday.

Statistics for June:

Hours	On Ridge	275	(81 whipper snipping)
	Off Ridge	111	
	Total	386	
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		32650	plus large scale spraying paspalum and phalaris
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		6	
Trees and shrubs planted		138	
Herbaceous plants planted		0	
Grasses planted		1104	

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 16th July	Weeding at Olympic site 1.30pm to 4pm. Walk up track past the dam from Kathner St entrance. (Pauline 62887009)
Saturday 29th July)	Any time between 9am and 4pm, preparing the ground for planting at the Olympic site
Sunday 30th July)	Olympic Landcare week. BIG PLANTING DAY. 10am to 4pm.
Saturday 5th August	
Mondays, Fridays or weekends -	phone to see where we are and join us.

Cheers

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Olympic Landcare Tree Planting Activities

Join a planting day...

Olympic Landcare is a community project.
Do your bit for the environment by participating
in one of the planting days listed below.
(Phone the relevant contact for details.)

...or add to the Olympic Landcare tree planting tally
Alternatively as an individual, a family or as part of
your own community group you can plant native trees
and shrubs and have them count towards the
Olympic Landcare tree planting tally.

For more information contact Landcare Australia
on 1800 155 180.

Date	Group	Contact
Saturday 5 August	Cooleman Ridge Park Care group	Bess Sledge (6288 7536)
Week of Saturday 5 - Friday 11 August	Macarthur Scout group	John Feint (6207 5584)
Sunday 6 August	Sulwood/ Namatjura Restoration group	Ann l'Ons (6208 5250)
Tuesday 8 August	Lanyon High School	Anita Turner (6205 7676)
Saturday 12 August	Gudgenby Bush Regeneration group	Elanor Stodart (6281 5004)
Sunday 20 August	Sulwood/ Namatjura Restoration group	Ann l'Ons (6208 5250)
Monday 4 September	Australian Trust for Conservation Volunteers	Judd Boeker (6247 7770)
Week of Monday 4 - Sunday 10 September	Pialligo Residents Association	Ann Darbyshire (6247 6217)
Tuesday 5 - Thursday 7 September	Sullivans Creek Catchment group	Jennie Gilles (6279 8168)
Wednesday 6 September	Gudgenby Bush Regeneration group	Elanor Stodart (6281 5004)
Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 September	Sullivans Creek Catchment group	Jennie Gilles (6279 8168)
Saturday 9 September	Gudgenby Bush Regeneration group	Elanor Stodart (6281 5004)

COOLEMAN RIDGE PARK CARE GROUP INC.

OLYMPICARE PLANTING

SATURDAY 5TH AUGUST

10AM -- 4PM

Whatever the weather

**Come and see how many trees, shrubs and grasses
we can plant in a day.**

Bring your own tools please.

**Follow the gold trees up from the Kathner St.
entrance .**

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