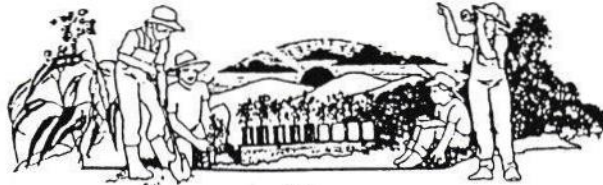


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## PARK CARE

Hi Everyone,

GREAT NEWS! Thanks to those of you who have put in time on the Ridge this year, our Group has won the ACT CRT Community Landcare Award!! We now get flown to Canberra to take part in the National Awards in March 94! Parks & Conservation would like a photo for Scribbly Gum so PLEASE try to get to the picnic at 1.30 on 5th December - in the shade through the stile on Cooleman Trig - if wet come to 21 Ordell St. We will cut a celebration cake and you can see the prize - books, a plaque and \$400!

We planted 479 trees on the October weekend and have continued each Sunday since then - we are now over the 1000 mark. At the moment we are also waging war against salsify on Mt Arawang, roses around the planting area and thistles and verbasicum wherever we happen to meet. We managed to cut some oats but most of them have seeded again.

This will definitely be the last newsletter for this year so Happy Christmas everyone. We will continue to work through the summer if anyone feels energetic. Phone me to see what's happening and when.

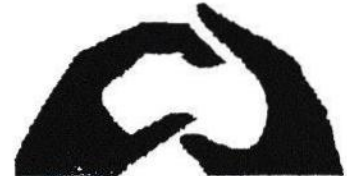
Once again - thank you to all our helpers.

Cheers

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## 1993 LANDCARE AWARD



Canberra Times journalist David Mussared has been awarded the Ford Landcare media award for his nine-part series of articles on the Murray-Darling River Basin in January this year.

Other ACT Landcare Award winners were Lake Tuggeranong College which received the Telecom Landcare Education Award for their Lakewatch program; Cooleman Ridge Parkcare Group was awarded the CRT Community landcare Award; Bess Sledge, who received the NLP Individual Landcarer Award for her work with the Cooleman Ridge Parkcare Group; the Murray-Darling Basin Commission, which received the Ford Landcare Award; the Hall Community, which received the ALCOA Greening Australia Vegetation Award and Lyneham Primary School, which received the Special ACT Landcare Award for Innovation and Ingenuity.