

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to the 13 people who came to the February meeting, we cleared quite a large area of obvious weeds. Next month (5th March) we will meet at Darrell Place at 1.30 and there will be a choice of:

1. Taking down quite large trees

2. Cutting down briars

3. Digging up verbascum and other smaller weeds

4. Picking up litter from around the large reservoir.

March 5th is "Clean Up Australia" Day and I'll be at Chapman Shops in the morning signing on volunteers. If anyone would like to do their cleaning up during the previous week I'll have sacks etc. at home.

This weekend, 24th,25th & 26th is Canberra Show and we are representing Park Care at a stand in Pavilion F. Do go along and look at our photos etc. We are part of a stand called Communities Caring for Catchments. If anyone would like to take part and answer questions on Park Care they are very welcome and there is a Cooleman Ridge badge to wear at the stall. If you are at the show make a point of calling in.

On 8th March Canberra Nature Park are having a Sausage Sizzle at Athllon Drive followed by a talk on Heritage given by Helen Cook. If you would like to go phone 2072094 as soon as possible, numbers are limited. I'm not sure of the time — ask them.

We will have a meeting at 21 Ordell St, Chapman on Wednesday 29th March 7pm for Committee and $7.30\,\mathrm{pm}$ for members. Bring along your suggestions and ideas for the group activities.

Weston Creek Rotary are donating \$500 towards our Nature Trail. If you know anyone in the Rotary Club please add your thanks to ours, the money is very much appreciated.

Park Care has taken on a new meaning this month as we have picked plums and blackberries on the Ridge (preventing the birds from spreading the seed!). We now have Cooleman jam for sale and also chutney! If you would like to buy some come round and take your pick. Jam and cakes sales so far have added \$45 to funds.

Lots of dates to remember and I'm sure I've forgotten something

Weekend 24,25,26 Feb Sunday 5th Mar Wednesday 8th Mar Wednesday 29th Mar

Canberra Show 1.30pm Darrell Place Sausage Sizzle and talk 7pm? Group Meeting 7 or 7.30pm

Cheers Dess (2887536)