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**MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 73
JUNE 1999**

Hi Everyone,

We had a magnificent holiday in Queensland but its nice to be back home again.

The Art & Craft Show at the weekend was a great success; it added \$263.40 to our coffers, gained us four new very welcome members and generated a lot of interest. Thank you to every one who helped in any way. The raffle raised \$74.50 of that amount and was won by Mrs Berger of Weston who was delighted with her prize; thank you to Sandra for donating the lovely shawl.

Today I have collected 500 Bracteantha viscosa grown from our own seed at Yarralumla Nursery. Some of them are for the grant area but there are some available to caretakers if you would like them. Weston CIT also has grasses and Bursaria ready for us so this month we will have a grand planting in the biggest plantation.

We haven't had many members at the last two meetings (one evening and one daytime), I hope this is because you didn't read the newsletter properly and not because you are hibernating for the winter!

We have a copy of the IYOP video we took part in if anyone would like to borrow it.

Gösta is doing a lot of work on the tree mapping project. New member Rachel has taken on an area, so things should be happening all along the Ridge! I would like to start a simple vegetation survey. If you know of a special plant or a clump of plants which you think we should document, let me know and I'll put it on the grid (eg there is a lovely patch of Dianella in 2D) I can let you have a gridded map.

Two months of statistics this time:

Statistics for April :-

Hours	On Ridge	271.15 (38 of these were whipper-snipping)
	Off Ridge	47
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		1291
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		14560
Trees and shrubs planted		97
Herbaceous plants planted		-
Grasses planted		230

Statistics for May:-

Hours	On Ridge	168.15 (29 of these were whipper-snipping)
	Off Ridge	32
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		254
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		8564
Trees and shrubs planted		-
Herbaceous plants planted		-
Grasses planted		228

Please remember to give me your hours at the end of the month.

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 20th June

10am - 4pm Park at Titheradge Place and walk up to the firetrail. Follow the track down between the plantations to the old dam and you'll see us in the plantation. Please bring diggers if you can. We will meet unless its pouring with rain.

Cheers

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