

MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 83

May 2000



Hi Everyone,

For the fourth Park Care Group meeting in a row we have had rain, and how it rained in April! We all went home looking like drowned rats. Let's hope May is kinder to us.

The big event for May is the launch of our Olympic Landcare Project on Tuesday 16th May. It will be at the Kathner St entrance to the Ridge and up the track to the "Site" in the area that was burned last year. A series of gold trees will lead you to the place and these will be used as planting places for the "relay" part of the launch. Rob de Castella and other dignitaries will be there, I do hope a lot of you will be able to come, and bring a friend if you like. It may seem strange to ask you to reply to your own invitation but we do want a general idea of numbers for the catering side of things. It has become a much bigger undertaking than we had been told to expect but I'm sure we will not let ourselves down.

At the Group meeting on the 21st May we will be attacking *Verbascum* at the "Olympic Site".

We had a very successful garage sale at Easter which added \$230 to Group funds. I sold lots of jams then but we still have jams, marmalades and chutneys available at \$2 a jar.

There is a seminar to tell community groups about the GST if anyone is interested. Unfortunately it is on the same day as our Launch but if anyone would like to go I have the forms.

Caretakers reports are due in at the end of the month. Well done last month, 9 caretakers gave in their times (Tina and Rohan notched up 94 hours on Arawang).

Statistics for April:

Hours	On Ridge	330.15 (68 whipper snipping)
	Off Ridge	92
	Total	422.15
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		747
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		40660
Trees and shrubs planted		0
Herbaceous plants planted		0
Grasses planted		1015

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday 16th May	Project Launch 10.30am Kathner St.) follow the gold
Sunday 21st May	Monthly working meeting 1.30 - 4pm. Kathner St) tree signs
Saturday 3rd June	World Environment Day Garema Place 10am to 4pm.
Friday & Saturday 16th & 17th June	Art & Craft Show in Cooleman Court
Saturday 5th August	Olympic Landcare week. BIG planting day.

Mondays, Fridays or weekends - phone to see where we are and join us.

Cheers

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COOLEMAN RIDGE PARK CARE GROUP INC.

Invites you to

THE LAUNCH

of their Olympic Landcare Project
Dedicated to Olympian Rob de Castella

on Tuesday 16th May 2000 at 10.30am
at the Kathner St Chapman entrance

Gold Tree Planting Relay
Grass Planting
Light Refreshments

RSVP by 12th May on 62887536

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