



MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 91

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Hi Everyone,

Welcome to a very hot 2001! Its good to have you all back again. It seems that the Ridge ended the year with a small fire on the area Mary Vett caretakes. Mary regularly removes rubbish from the area which probably helped to keep the fire contained. We will be going there for our January meeting as its easy to see the weeds and I thought we could spread Themida over the area.

We had a small group at our December meeting but managed to clear weeds from a lot of our planted grasses and the area looked very promising when we left it.

I know the grasses are long now but if you do go on the Ridge it would be a huge help if you could get the flowering heads off Verbascum and St John's Wort or pull up Paterson's Curse. The difference 10 minutes work can make is very significant.

Not really any news this month. Remember to Slip-Slop-Slap and also hope for no more fires.

If there is a red dot on your newsletter we have not had your membership renewal form.

We will meet in the morning of Sunday the 21st for our January effort. Drive to Guinness Place and walk left up the fire trail and then left at the top of the hill OR drive to Redgrave Place, off Doyle Terrace and follow the path up the hill. I suggest 9.30am to 11.30 am to miss the hottest part of the day.

Statistics for November and December:-

	Nov	Dec
Hours On Ridge	284.15	123.30
Off Ridge	140	20
Total	424.15	143.30
Inc Whipper snipping	68.30	35
Woody weeds cut sprayed or dug	24	0
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed	15810	8550
Trees and shrubs planted	467	88
Herbaceous plants put in	0	0
Grasses planted	785	350

Dates to Remember

Sunday 21st January

Burnt area (15 on map) above Redgrave Pl.
9.30am - 11.30am NOTE NEW TIME
See above how to get there

Cheers

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