

FRIENDS OF WARRANDYTE

STATE PARK NEWSLETTER



NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

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Guest Editorial

The format of the recent AGM of the Warrandyte Environment League involved a panel discussion of the encroachment of the urban sprawl through Warrandyte. The topic was billed "the Doncastration of Warrandyte - what is being done and what can be done?"

A number of members of FOWSP have been active in the WEL for many years; our concern is that development should be sensitive to the environmental value and to the bushland-village character of Warrandyte.

We accept that Warrandyte will change as all those vacant blocks are developed. We cannot stop development but we can influence the manner of it. The State Park will become an increasingly important element of the "character of Warrandyte".

While it is true that the fragmented boundaries of the Park make it difficult to manage, this green finger weaves through our town, bordering and defining the precious features and promising to conserve our natural heritage. Thus the Park must be a central concern whenever local planning and land management is discussed.

Whether we are local members or not therefore, let us rejoice in the good work we have done in the Park this year in the knowledge that this has been a right priority. A happy Christmas to all members. We look forward to your companionship and shared experience in 1992.

Doug Seymour

Kunzea ericoides

Final Family Meeting/BBQ/Concert/Yabby Count/Folly/Fun

The final Family Sunday Meeting for 1991 will be a busy day. We will have the normalities first...election of the Committee for 1992, changes in the constitution necessitated by Incorporation, etc, etc.

THEN.....Some work groups,

Guided tours of the Nursery, direct seeding coups, plantings, and some Tree Maintenance (means a bit of weeding around and sprucing up inside the rabbit guards-or their removal)

CHILDREN WILL HAVE THEIR ANNUAL NOVEMBER YABBY SURVEY.....

DAMPER ON STICKS WILL PROVIDE NOURISHMENT FOR THE YABBIERS!

THEN..... Guest Speaker

Don Saunders

As the afternoon draws on we will all share a B.B.Q.

Salad Smorgassbord.....Bring food to share.

Next...an exciting new experience.....A FABULOUS FOWSPIAN FUND FUN-O-RAMA.....

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THEN.....(HOW COULD THERE BE MORE?).....OUR ANNUAL

TWILIGHT CONCERT AND BY HUGE DEMAND.....A RETURN PERFORMANCE

THE WITCH AND THE WIZARD.

So bring all your friends, family, neighbours and join us at the Friends Folly at

Pound Bend Depot.....Sunday November 24th.....1.00pm.

With Christmas nearing those members who have holidays to enjoy can remember that the Thursday activities will go on regardless and we will welcome all extra Fowspian attendance. We will be having lots of seed collection walks, preparation for the next direct seeding, as well as the usual running of the Nursery.

The addition of contributions from a wide variety of members has been well received by our readers. We get a great deal of feed-back and the readership calls for "MORE".

Doug Seymour, long time member of F.O.W.S.P and probably THE driving force in W.E.L. over the decades (no he really is not THAT old) decided to give Editor Ian Burke a holiday from Editorials this month. (Or was he sick of Elbert Hubbard!)

RUMOUR....Eltham Council are about to ban Sales and Use of Rainforest Timbers in the Shire. Wouldn't it be great if all local councils made this POLICY.

We have now 2 people in the Bend of Islands area who are Koala Recorders. Marie Krause and Laura Ealey have taken on the task and if you live in that area, have a Koala on your block and understand the importance of this information...ring one of these ladies.

Marie Krause....712 0498 Laura Ealey.... Park Office....844 2659.
Warrandyte Residents can contact the Park Office to give their sighting. Ear-tags, colour of same, type of tree, indications as to sex, prescence of off-spring, location are all of importance and we hope gradually to develop a large body of records...Thankyou.

Alec, Andy and Jim are hard at it with painting, paving and the internal fittings in the "Folly". A few items- expensive if we have to purchase new- are holding back progress. A small stainless steel sink/sink unit, akitchen unit for storage of our "catering items" -about 1.5m. also some more of the cement "sand coloured" pavers for an apron-tupe "patio" across the front are being sought. Perhaps you (or someone you know) could help. Contact Alec Manson 844 2557. We would be prepared to pay...by the way!

Shirley Mandemaker has joined the Committee. At present she is Minutes Secretary as Anne Bedford was unable to continue in this role. Many, many thanks to Anne and we know the Childrens Hospital is very lucky to have her on staff.....back to Shirley..... Welcome aboard, we are sure you have a long and illustrious career ahead!

We have had some very keen members become regulars of a Thursday. Lots of things to do of course so don't be afraid to try it.

The Market Stall needs plenty of people to join the roster. Please contact Marg B. if you would like to give an hour helping to spread the word.

Also needed are people to become assistant organisers for next year's Sunday Family Programme.

Welcome back on board Ian and Gail Roche. They have been off galavanting around Queensland on annual holidays. Gail you just forget all those lazy days in the sun and remember that Warrandyte needs you and "Mick"!

The Library continues to grow. Thank you those folk who have donated books etc. We will be delighted to recompense for 2nd hand books....Pat and Marg can tell you what we are after.

The book is now all at the Editing stage. Pat Coupar is putting in long hours and soon we will have something "concrete" to show those who may be able to help us actually publish "Discovering Warrandyte. Pictorial sections size is dependant on funding.....SO.....

FOWSP. has finally decided to bite the bullet and become FOWSP Inc. It seems necessary to facilitate funding for the book and pressure is these days from "above" to go all out Incorporated. The changes and necessary motions will be put to the membership at the A.G.M.

October Koala Count

Koala Count.....Thanks to all the folk involved. We counted 21 adults on the 3 routes we took. The day was overcast and cool and the 2 young we saw were obviously not the only ones. Down in the back orchard many of the Koala were very high in the Mannas by the river and were hunched over their laps. Made "sexing" extremely difficult and it was impossible to see offspring. Koala REALLY are the limit you must agree. Wouldn't you all expect them to be anxious to show off the new generation? Anyway we will overcome this problem (?) one nice warm sunny day soon we will send out a few spy forces to check numbers once more. All Koala seen were apparently healthy, alert (?) and only one had an eartag...so therefor are born and bred Warranditians.

Christmas Hamper

Christmas Raffle.....Please rustle up some goodies to donate. We will have our usual Fund Raising Raffle and a box for donations ia at the Park Office/Nursery. Ticket sales begin at the A.G.M. We will make small ticket books available to take away as well. 5tickets for \$2 or 50¢ each will raise funds for Nursery Sprinkler System Upgrade Equipment and our publication costs for "Discovering Warrandyte".

First prize.....Giant Christmas Hamper

Second prize.....Relaxation Body Massage by Keith Thom.

Third prize.....Box of Indigenous Plants.

To be drawn.....Thursday 19th. December 1991.....Winners will be notified by Telephone.

Enquiries-Iris Davies 844 2593 Gail Roche 722 1926



Butterfly
Droppings



French
Island



43 Friends journeyed (by community bus or car, hydrafoil and island bus) to French Island on Sunday 3rd November to see the abundance of native orchids in their national park and admire the view from the Pinnacles where we stopped for lunch. High temperatures and mosquitoes made the trek back more arduous than anticipated but our hardy group pushed forward through the swamp lands until water was sighted and we were able to make our way over the soldier-crab infested sand savannah back to the jetty where we could slake our thirsts! We saw a mother koala and her young close to the track and our thanks to Fay and Clive Gordes, Eleanor, Margaret and Lincoln from F.I. Friends for their time and for passing on their extensive knowledge of local flora.

Do we have any interested takers for J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan and Wendy pantomime at the newly renovated Mechanic's Institute in December? Think of what a wonderful Christmas treat it would be for children, grandchildren, neices and nephews or young friends and for the adults that take them..... Ring Gay (844 1448) or let Margaret Burke know so we can organise some tables. The dates and times are:

SOCIAL JOTTINGS

PETER PAN

The original Script by J. M. Barrie.

A production directed by Helen Cahill, and performed by the Warrandyte Youth Theatre for W.M.I. & A.A.

See Tinkerbell, Peter Pan and Wendy, the crocodile, the Indians, the lost boys, Captain Hook and the crew of the Jolly Roger!

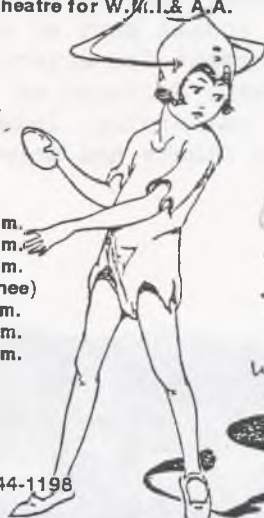
Performances:

Friday Nov 22, 7.30 p.m.
Saturday Nov 23, 7.30 p.m.
Sunday Nov 24, 2.00 p.m.
(Matinee)
Thursday Nov 28, 7.30 p.m.
Friday Nov 29, 7.30 p.m.
Saturday Nov 30, 7.30 p.m.

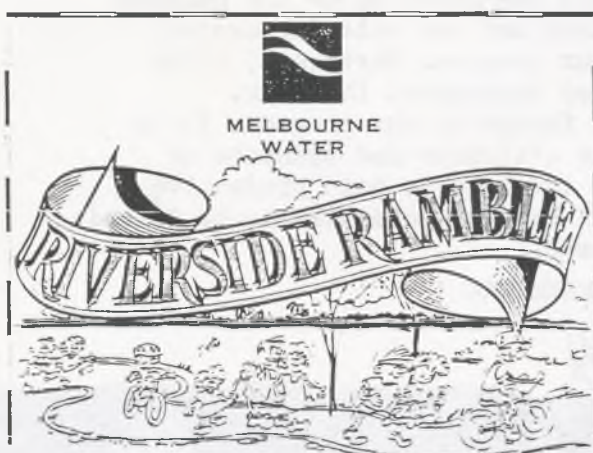
Adults : \$10.00
Children: \$5.00
Family ; \$25.00

BOOKINGS: 844-1198

All proceeds to go to the restoration of the Hall.



We are taking
+ Tom, Lily
+ Family
Fri 22nd.
Why not bring
your family
Olivia?
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SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER

Walk, Run or Ride the Yarra Trail
from the City to Templestowe.

Start where you like, and then enjoy
the free entertainment, sausage sizzle
and bush band at

Finn's Reserve, Lower Templestowe.

Melway ref. 33 B4 Picnic starts at 1.00pm

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NEW YEARS EVE.....NEW YEARS EVE.....NEW YEARS EVE.....NEW YEARS EVE.....NEW YEARS EVE.....

Remember what a lovely evening was shared last N.Y.E....? or would you like to join gentle Friends to usher in the New Year. Tentatively at the Skip Moyle Hut as last time, but check just "in case". We hope to have a Banquet under the Stars. (Who will forget the visit by the Frogmouth Family as we shared the last night of 1990?) And the peaceful beauty of Blacks Flat seems like being a Marvellous place to begin 1992.

CHECK DETAILS, CATERING PLANS SPECIAL REQUIRMENTS ETC. WITH COMMITTEE OR AT THE NURSERY THURS.

SPECIAL JANUARY INTERPRETIVE EVENT.....FINAL SUNDAY IN JANUARY....26th....6.00pm.
Put this in your new diary or on the new calendar for 1992!.....Meet at POUND BEND for a evening with Friends and Neighbours.....Bring a picnic tea to share. Special evening activities culminate with a SPOTLIGHT WALK along the Yarra Bank to see what we shall see! Billy Tea and Damper for the children. Phone for details or watch for Posters around Town. Park 844 2659.

Review '91.

A Stranger strolling through Warrandyte township on any weekday could be forgiven for thinking "This is a quiet little town where nothing much ever happens"..... But in fact it is a little like looking at an iceberg- most of its substance is under the surface. Many local residents do not even bother to .. find out about the many clubs organizations and interesting activities that make Warrandyte such a special place.

Powspians feel that they are an important group in the community. People often imagine we are just a "greenie group" going around pulling out a few weeds and picking up bits of litter from the bush. Nothing could be further from the truth. One of our most important interests is running the plant nursery at the Park depot. In the past year we have produced around 7000 indigenous plants. The nursery has become a focus for teaching members of the group, school children who now have regular visits, and special days when we invite other Friends groups to the Park. Some of our members are now compiling a plant list of all indigenous species in the State Park. At various times we participate in koala and kangaroo counts. We have been able to send some members to special seminars on plant propagation and weed control.

Apart from our routine tasks we have visited other Friends groups and found the exchange of ideas most valuable. Now as in previous years there has been an ongoing involvement with local councils to participate in tree planting schemes in the township.

Following the severe bushfire of last February and the clean up to the nursery we have improved the capacity for plant propagation and our watering system. Yet we have not neglected the social aspect in our program. Barbeques, slide nights, theatre groups have all been well attended throughout the year. The social part of our activities is an integral factor in our program. It is important for anyone to be able to understand the attitudes and opinions of others. Exchange of ideas and a feeling of being involved is both productive and satisfying. Indeed being a Friend of the Park has the potential to be friends with others and more importantly a friend to yourself.

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Busy, Busy, Busy

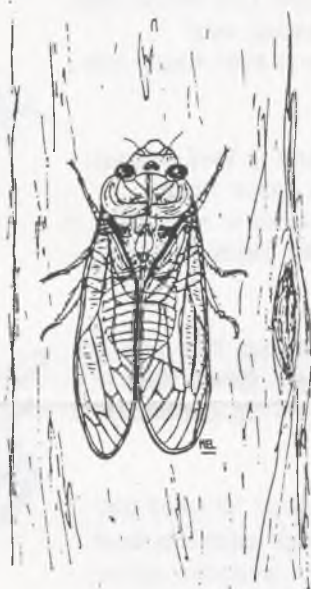
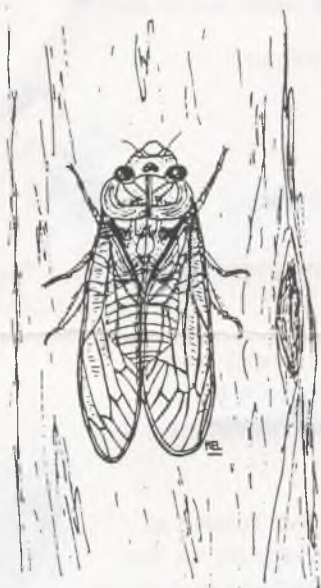


How many species are up?

Inspection of direct
seeding

A little gentle weeding

Doing well !



There are roughly a million different kinds of insects in the world: the cicada must surely rank amongst the loudest. When the ear-piercing shrill of a cicada breaks the stillness of a warm November day, then you know that summer must be just around the corner.

The sound, which emanates from the tree tops, builds to a throbbing crescendo as more individuals join the chorus. This in fact is an all male choir, singing ardently to attract their silent mates. The amazing high decibel noise is produced by vibration of drum-like organs situated on either side of the insects abdomen.

There are nearly 200 species of cicada in Australia, some of the more common ones have been given imaginative names; Cherry-nose, Floury Miller, Washerwoman, Double-drummer, Red-eye and Green Monday, are just some of them.

Although frequently heard, cicadas are well concealed amongst the foliage of the trees. On appearance they superficially resemble an overgrown fly rather than their closer relatives, the bugs. Cicadas have large semi-transparent wings. They possess compound eyes which give them excellent vision, yet still retain a triangle of three simple eyes, situated like a jewel in the centre of the head. Cicadas feed on sap, which they obtain by a large piercing mouthpart, from tender young shoots of native and introduced plants.

Unlike the adults, young cicadas lead silent and secretive lives below ground. After mating, the female cicada lays her eggs in tiny incisions in twigs or small branches. The emerging nymphs are minute replicas of the adult, but wingless. They burrow into the soil to feed on sap of tree roots. The nymphs may spend several years in this subterranean environment. When they are finally ready to emerge, the mature nymphs claw their way up a verticle shaft to the surface. Attached to a support, they shed their outer skin for the last time to emerge as a fully-winged adult cicada. The contrast between the two environments could not be more dramatic. After years of confinement deep within the damp darkness of the soil, is it any wonder that the cicada proclaims its freedom in such a resounding manner?

Papery-brown skins, like perfect moulds of the cicada nymphs, can be found abandoned on tree trunks or scattered amongst leaf litter on the ground: the only evidence of their sunless and secluded past life.

Whether you like it or not, the high-pitched, penetrating call of the cicada is very much part of hot sunny days and warm sultry evenings of the Australian summer, here in Warrandyte. Around this time every year, I, for one eagerly await the first tentative shrill which announces the new season.

BEND OF ISLANDS.....BIRDS AND BUSHWALKING GROUP.....DECEMBER 8th. 8.00am...SUNDAY WALK.

Fowspians are invited to join the B.I.C.A. Guided Walk through the Smiths Gully area. An EXPERT will make the walk a really meaningful experience through rich bird habitat. Apologies to the EXPERT as unfortunately I do not have that person's name. Please phone Marie Krause for any more details....712 0498.....See you there.

GAD'S GANG.....Stony Creek.....Sunday December 8th at 9.30am.....Lots to learn with Mark Gardner and company. Find out how Mark interprets the "Bradley Method". Gives people a new approach for their own block.

Mystery Reporter is back

Along with Malcolm and Gough, your Mystery Reporter is aware of the conspiratorial concentration of media control of the F.O.W.S.P. Newsletter. As soon as 14.9% of the committee (FOWSP) became aware that they were to be revealingly interviewed, the last edition of the Newsletter was "bedded" before the M.R. could produce an article. However, undismayed by such events your M.R. was able to interview a member of the Construction and Maintenance team in time for this edition.

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Hat size Unknown

Height Just six foot (183 cm)

Weight approximately 87 Kilogram

Hair Colour used to be brown, now 'salt and pepper' (according to Mark Gardner)

CAN YOU GUESS WHO THE INTERVIEWEE IS?

Leo(pold) Adrianus SPOOR is the latest acquisition to the C & M team. He was caught between an 'administrative' job and a 'spraying thistles' job by your M.R.

Originally from Holland, Leo came to Australia at age 11 with his parents and seven brothers and sisters (he is right in the middle). Lived in Daylesford in a large three bedroom house - three families lived together in this (1954), the largest family had 13 children (eldest 14). Leo then lived in Chelsea, then on to a commission house in Reservoir.

Leaving St Joseph's school at age 14 Leo started an apprenticeship in Fitting and Turning at Ziebeel Bros. - working on materials handling and pastry cook machinery. He worked for the company for a total of 24 years and nine months rising to the position of production manager in charge of an area involving forty people. He returned to night school for six years studying a business management course and finished up with a Supervisory Certificate. Resigning from the company at age 39 Leo went to L & S Engineering (heavy industry manufacturers) for three and a half years. The 1982/83 recession caused the company to close its doors and Leo moved onto FRAPACK Engineering, Ringwood (high speed packaging machinery) for six years, was retrenched in 1989, moved onto TECHMARK MYERS (hydraulic manufacturers) then finally into the C & M job at Warrandyte.

Leo has "*three children and a really lovely wife*". Lives in East Ringwood and is very involved in basketball. He is President of the Referee's association in Kilsyth, used to coach South Croydon Youth Club, still coaches the Senior Women's basketball team. His level of refereeing is A2. All Leo's children play basketball, and he is a score bench official for the Eastside Spec (National Leage) and has umpired as high as Division two, State.

His other major leisure interests are fishing and water ski-ing. Leo loves camping, has camped at Wilsons Prom., East Gippsland - Marlo, Deniliquin, Nowra - N.S.W., Adelaide, Eilson Weir - Delatite ... National Park. He hasn't quite mastered the single ski for water ski-ing but hopes to do so soon.

FISHING - inland at Eilson, snapper in the Bay, salt water at MARLO - goes about 10 mile? out from the mouth of the Snowy River in a 16 foot fibreglass runabout and his best catch has been 76 Kilogram of clean fish fillets in 2 1/2 hours, 8 varieties of 'deep sea' fish, snapper, gurney, couta, rock-cod, flathead and squids. He has had a depressed fracture of the nose and nineteen stitches when he entered the mouth of the Snowy River and his (then aluminium) boat was swamped by a wave. He always wears a life jacket. He has also hooked on an 8 foot thresher shark, fought it for twenty minutes, then it broke the '25 pound' line, but he actually had it at the side of the boat twice (estimated 50 Kg. - the shark that is!). Also has caught a five foot grey nurse (shark) from the beach, used a surf rod. The f'fish' was 64 pound cleaned!

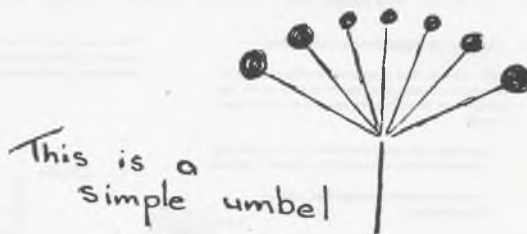
Leo's favourite food is - braised rabbit, favourite drink is port. He likes WW11 films, documentaries on nature and wild life and is currently watching "Following the Nile" on T.V. He likes Big Bands - Glenn Miller, plays the clarinet ("*but not very well*"). One of his clarinets is a French one - wooden and one piece. Leo enjoys live shows like "CATS". He can speak Dutch as well as English, enjoys vegetable gardening, drives a Ford XF sedan. Leo hates waste, "*if you're going to do it, then do it properly*". His family circle has the attitude is "*help one another and don't expect a reward*". He hates untidyness. So, if you see a pair of bright green overalls topped with 'pepper and salt' it is probably Leo going about his work and you, dear reader, will know nearly all about him.

Behold, the Lilies!

1. *Bulbine bulbosa* (Bulbine Lily)
From the Greek, *bolbos*. *bulb*. So, *Bulbine bulbosa* literally means a bulbous bulb-plant.
2. *Bulbine semibarbata* (Leek Lily)
Semibarbata refers the fact that only three of the six stamens are bearded. A beautiful sight if you trouble to have a look with your hand lens.
3. *Burchardia umbellata* (Milkmaids)
After Johann H. Burckhard (1784-1817) born in Switzerland, died in Sinai. Travelled through Africa, Syria, Egypt and Arabia. When Brown was naming this plant he also had in mind (according to Baines) another worthy Burckhard, born one hundred years earlier, a German doctor who foreshadowed Linnaeus' sexual system of plant classification. *Umbellata* means that the flowers are arranged in umbels.
4. *Dianella revoluta* (Black-anther Flax-lily)
Diminutive of Diana, goddess of the chase. Association with hunting? The original species was found in the woods of a French province.
revolute refers to the rolled back margins of the leaves.
5. *Dichopogon strictus* (Chocolate Lily)
From the Greek *dichos* double, and *pogon*, beard.
The anthers have two beard-like appendages. Out with the hand lens again.
strictus = erect, straight habit.



Bulbine bulbosa



Dichopogon strictus

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Please detach and send to: SGAP Maroondah Inc, PO Box 33, RINGWOOD 3134

YARRA RIVER CLEAN-UP

The Yarra River Clean-Up was a marvellous success. We had 25 Fowspians in Canoes and about a Dozen "support" team-members. B.I.C.A. had an equal number. Doug Seymour organised the Craft....

FRANK COCU OF WONGA PARK CANOE HIRE & CANOES PLUS-Cotham Rd. KEW supplied free of charge. (and we are delighted to commend them to you next time you need help in this line) Thanks also to Anne Warren and Jan Harper who loaned their craft..

.....several members brought their own and our new Friend Lincoln (one of our Guides from the Friends of French Island) astounded us by arriving with his own home made version of a North American Canoe. The very best bus driver in the world, Ron Golding, along with Rangers Doug Cordell and Brian Ward got us in the water and off we went. The BICA folk had walkers and Canoeists and they scoured the banks down to Arthur's Mistake (also several Fowspians Mistake!) the dreaded rapids near the B.O. Islands. Well....RAIN, RAPIDS, RUBBISH GALORE didn't deter us and literal hundreds of bags were collected by lucky Rangers at our pick-up spots. Our local Member Phill Honeywood joined us once again for the event and his colleague Lorraine Elliot showed that she was not deterred by DAMP....Both Groups met afterwards to exaggerate the tall tales and true over a feast prepared by the Fowsp Catering Team....The Venue....with a wonderful view of THAT rapid. And our Hostess was a member of both groups, our dear friend Clare Watson. Clare has been instrumental in the Friendship and wonderful co-operation between all.

A WONDERFUL AND WORTHWHILE EVENT.....NOW AN ANNUAL ONE!

Our Neighbours the Yarra Valley Metropolitan Park have a draft of their Management Plan available for comment. Elizabeth Sevier and Betty Mifsud attended development meetings. Please get out your magnifying glass to read this then borrow copy or get your own.



Yarra Valley Park



Draft Management Plan

Nov 91

The future Vision for Yarra Valley Park

The Yarra River provides an extraordinary link between all parts of the Park, as it meanders its way through the well known public reserves of Westerfields, Burrarrung and Banksea, and through the more secluded sections of the Park. The River also links the Park with the distant mountains and with the city of Melbourne itself.

Yarra Valley Park is only part of a whole open space network, and is linked to the adjacent Warrandyte State Park and nearby Plenty Gorge Park.

The Yarra Trail will also wind its way through the Park, to enable people of all ages and interests to access the Park.

Cultural Heritage/Environment Zone

This zone is intended to protect and celebrate some of Australia's rich cultural heritage which forms part of this area of Yarra Valley Park. Special elements in this zone include:

- heritage landscapes made famous by the Heidelberg School of Artists, including Roberts, Straton, McCubbin
- ancient Aboriginal meeting places, such as Bohn Bilibong
- the modern art and sculpture displayed at Heide Gallery, adjacent to Banksea Park
- wonderful remnants of Australian native vegetation
- fauna habitat for wombats, fish, birds and lots of other animals



Whilst the Management Plan sees Yarra Valley Park as three inter-related zones, certain linking values apply to all zones:

- protection of the natural environment, both flora and fauna
- providing suitable access to the Park for all people
- appreciation and celebration of the important local heritage in the Park, in all its forms

Some special activities within the Park

- large areas within Yarra Valley Park will be opened up for people to enjoy
- camp sites will be provided within the Park for visitors to take full advantage of the natural landscape
- horse-riding will be encouraged in the Park along designated bridle paths, which will link with existing recreational bridle path systems

The Yarra Valley Park is 1359ha of "breathing space for three million Melbourneans" (The Bulletin). The Park contains a diverse and rich range of features from pristine bush to grazing land, historic artefacts, links to Melbourne's early European settlement and turns back to its Aboriginal inhabitants.



People/Environment Zone

This zone will provide a focus for people activities, in a natural environment, with the special attraction of the Yarra River. In this zone people will be encouraged to:

- come for picnics or BBQ's with friends and family
- exercise, by strolling, walking or riding their bikes along the excellent path system
- walking the dog (on a leash)

Need more information?

A draft Management Plan has been prepared for this unique public asset to guide its protection and enhancement for the next 5-10-100 years.

View the draft plan by dropping into:

- The Manor, Westerfields Park (Monday to Friday, 9am - 4pm)
- Local Libraries: Eltham, Rosanna, Ivanhoe, Box Hill, Bulleen, The Pines, Doncaster Shoppingtown, Camberwell, Balwyn

Conservation Zone

This zone has been specially designated for the protection and enhancement of very large and significant areas of Australian bushland, and historic resources from early European settlement. This zone will particularly provide:

- areas for more quiet and secluded discovery of the environment
- wetland areas and their associated attraction to birds
- protection for native flora and fauna from continuing encroachment of the surrounding suburbs

Purchase the draft Plan from The Manor, Westerfields Park for \$5.00.

Submissions can be sent to:

The Project Manager
Yarra Valley Park Management Plan
1 Porter Street
Templestowe, 3106

Comments on the draft Plan or enquiries can be made by phoning the Park on 846-1338.

SUBMISSIONS AND COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 18 DECEMBER 1991.



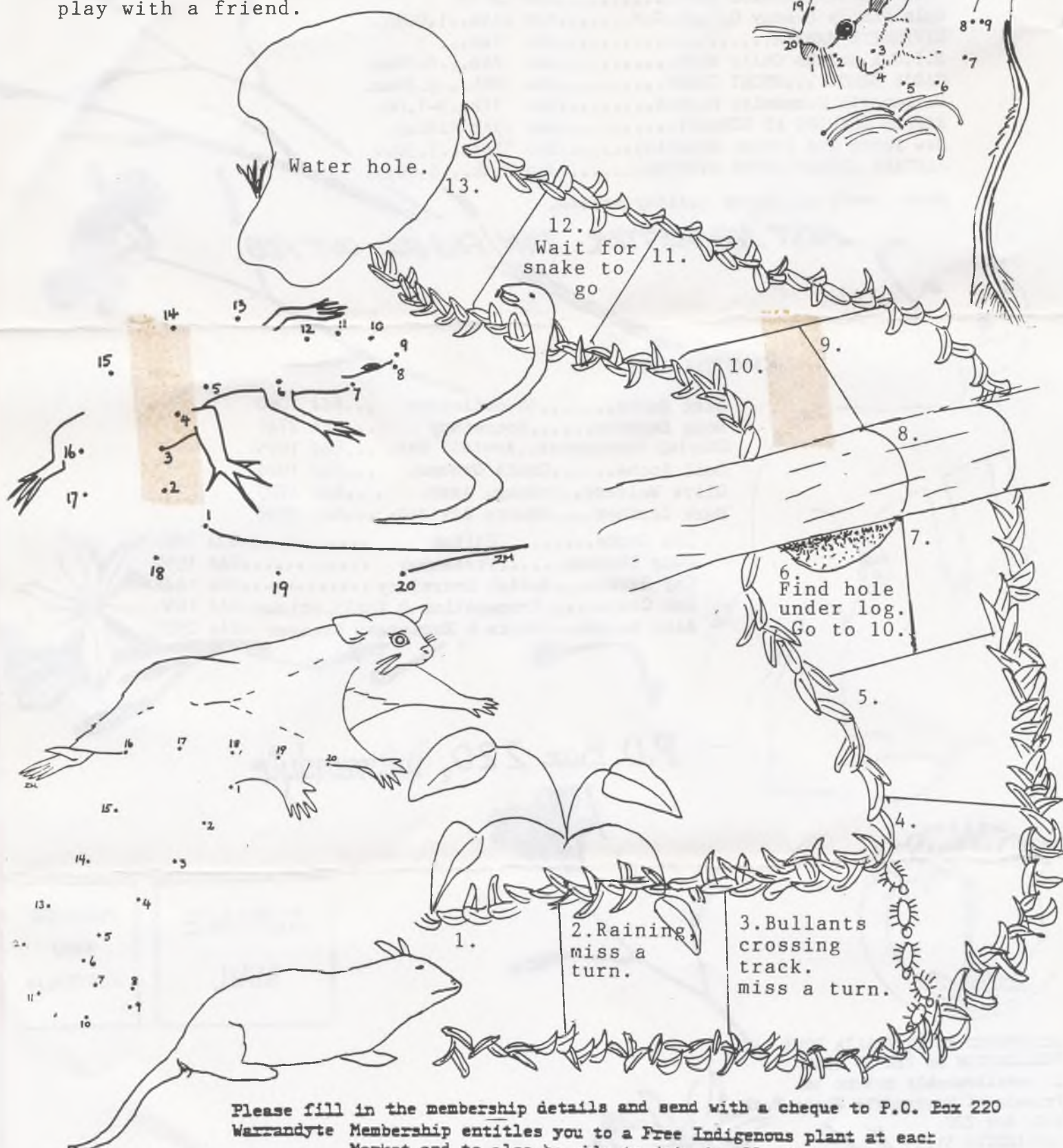
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ALSO AVAILABLE IS A COPY OF ELTHAM SHIRE CONSERVATION & HERITAGE STRATEGY and the CITY OF DONCASTER AND TEMPLESTOWE REMNANT/ROADSIDE VERGE NATIVE VEGETATION REPORT and FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN (draft) FOR MELBOURNE REGION-D.C.E. Enquiries Park Office or Committee

'Fossicking Ross & Percy Pass'

PUZZLE PAGE.

Can you help 'Ralph the rat get to the water hole for a drink. Use a dice and play with a friend.



Please fill in the membership details and send with a cheque to P.O. Box 220
Warrandyte Membership entitles you to a Free Indigenous plant at each
Market and to also be able to join in all of our activities

DETAILS OF MEMBERS.....

Names of all family members.....

Please include children
ages and special interests

Address.....

Family Subscription \$10

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Suggestions you may have..... Donation to help cover costs.....

Dates for the Calendar.

EVERY THURSDAY (School Hols INCLUDED) Nursery Activities at Pound Bend
10am till about 4pm. Bring lunch Includes walks etc.

TAKE ME TO THE CALENDAR NOW....

PETER PAN..MECHANICS INST.....Nov 22-30
Gala Family Sunday Gala/A.G.M.....Nov 24th..1.00pm.
RIVERSIDE RAMBLE.....Dec 1st...
B.I.C.A.Smiths Gully Walk.....Dec 8th...8.00am.
GAD'S GANG.....STONY CREEK.....Dec 8th...9.30am.
Warrandyte Community Market.....Dec 7th..9-1.00.
RAFFLE DRAWING AT NURSERY.....Dec 19th Midday.
New Years Eve (Check Details).....Dec 31st...7.30pm.
JANUARY INTERPRETIVE EVENING.....Jan 26th...6.00pm.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

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