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October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1986

Dear Friends,

Our October meeting was again blessed with perfect weather, we have been very lucky this year.

The numbers of Koala's sighted was well down from last month although we had less eyes looking so this may account for the lower total. Perhaps luck plays a large part in our sightings; or perhaps we should have known it was a Koala holiday when even the picnic area resident was not to be seen.

After Ian's close encounter of a tiger kind we should all be very conscious that it is that time of year when our native animals are becoming more active, snakes included. The Aplin household have been observing our resident Goanna sunning itself high up his trees on warm days, and the echidna who wandered about the garden collecting lunch. Sure signs that spring is here even if at times the weather will try to disguise the fact. Our group found 6 different orchids in flower and hopefully more will be discovered next month.

Over afternoon tea a discussion was held to discuss the letter received from Mrs. Kirner re:land purchases. An attempt to formulate our ideas and prioritys in relation to the expansion of the park. Anybody with any sugestions are welcome to put them forward. Letters have been sent to the R.C.A. and the shire requesting directional signs indicating the National Park off the Midland Highway. Replies have been received and these signs have been ordered - something to look out for.

The project for November will be the planning for interpretive Signs to create a self guided walk on the stringy bark trail. The aim will be to locate points of interest and formulate a basis for a text to accompany a photo or sketch. These will be erected at a later date on a project day. The installation of these signs will benefit the public by providing added interest, information and. foster better understanding of our environment.

Looking forward to seeing you all, 1pm at the carpark on November 9th, 1986.

Regards,

  
Yvonne Aplin.

P.S. Ian was last sighted at home with a creditable record of nurse harassment.

