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Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe New Year, with the hope that our group can go on to better things. We start this year with some good and bad news! We congratulate Ian Roche on this appointment as Ranger-in charge of Warrandyte State Park. A big achievement for Ian, but we will miss him and the friendships built up over the last 3 years, with Ian, Gail, Carly and Daniel - we wish them all the best for the future. We heard on the grape vine that Frank Carter has also obtained a substantial promotion to Baufort (finally escaping those pine trees) - wonderful news Frank. On a sadder note, Peter is unable to continue as Secretary due to illness. Please Peter, do all the right things and hurry back to good health and the Friends Group.

The December project day was very successful due not only to the enthusiasm of the Friends, but also the knowledge, skill and assistance offered by Peter Leggett our relieving ranger. The Pussy Willows, big and small, were treated and cut out between the weir and the western boundary.

We welcome to the Billy's Creek Development team, Debra Burke, who is in the process of compiling the Management Plan for the Park incorporating Billy's Creek. She attended our December meeting, - good to meet you Debra.

January the 22nd, saw Ken and a small band-of Friends scouring the trees in Billies for seed. This seed will be suitably treated and scattered in areas, after the dreaded blackberries have been removed. On the whole the day was very successful, although to late for a couple of species.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday the 19th February. Yes, this year we will be meeting on the THIRD Sunday in order to dodge, longweekends, holidays, Mother's and Father's Days. We will meet at Fosters Gully Picnic area at 1.30pm, and we will begin with a brief General Meeting, before heading off on a walk, talk and gawk.

Come on "Friends", let's make this our year of achievements.

Yours Sincerely,

Yvonne APLIN.

February, 19th:

GENERAL MEETING:

- New Secretary, - New Ranger, - Inactivity in Billies, - Report on management plan (Debra Burke), - Yinnar South Fair, - Correspondence, - Report on the appeal (Geoff Galvin), - Conference (require a representative), - V.N.P.A. Calendars.