



FRIENDS OF MORWELL NATIONAL PARK INC.

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Hello,

Last month's koala count was disappointing. both in terms of the number of Friends who bothered to take part, and the number of Koala's sighted. Only 5 koalas in total were found, including the one above the barbecue area. Let's hope that this result is an indication of our skills of observation, and not a true census of the koala population .

A few friends helped DCF&L staff an information stand at Mid-Valley shopping centre to help familiarise people with the new Billy's Creek extension. As would be expected, the reaction was subdued, but was quite positive, with many people taking the opportunity to clarify some doubts that they may have had regarding access.

The next meeting as at 1:30 p.m. on October 15, at the bottom of Tebb's Terrace. The official task is blackberry slashing and a koala survey in the Billy's Creek area, however a general weed clearing day will probably take place. Judging from past visits to Billy's Creek, rubber boots will be a necessity. Please try to remember to bring a cup, to try to cut down on the use of disposable styrene cups. On the subject of waste, remember that Rob is collecting old glass and aluminium. Money from these goes straight back to the Friend's coffers, so please save these items and bring them along to the next meeting.

Finally, the Friends will have a display at the Children's Expo, to be held at Kernot Hall on Sunday, October 22. If you would like to lend a hand to subdue the milling masses, please contact Yvonne on 222597 as soon as possible.

Look foreward to seemg you on the 15th

STEVE