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JULY ACTIVITY REPORT.

On Saturday 12 July, several members and ranger fronted up at 10 am and continued working on the fence for the trial re-vegetation plot at the top of the Billy Creek part of the park. This I hear has been finished and some trees planted as well.

Thank you very much to all who have been involved. It is planned to erect two more fenced areas near the one already done, but not to the same extent of work will be involved as we will be just fencing an area near a tree. Which will hopefully provide a seed supply and trees will germinate naturally without the added competition of grazing animals. The other will be around a large branch which has fallen down and will offer even more protection than just fencing for any seedling which germinates.

Sunday 20 July 13 people attended our third tree planting session of the year, a rather wet and cold day it was with the kids not really enjoying it much but 500 trees were planted out in quick time again. The trees planted are as follows:

A. Dealbata	Silver wattle	122
A. Verniciflua	Varnish wattle	160
A. Verticillata	Prickly moses	33
E. Viminalis	Manna gum	44
E. Ovata	Swamp gum	40
E. Bridgesiana	But but gum	56
E. Obiqua	Messmate gum	14
E. Globulus	Blue gum	4
Hedycarya angustifolia Austral mulberry		14
Olearia argophylla	Musk daisy-bush	15
TOTAL		500

All of this was carried out under the watchful eyes of a small mob of eastern gray kangaroos.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AUGUST 3 1:30 PM

The AGM will be held at Rob Howell's house at 19 Alfred Drive Yinnar. How to get there : From the Yinnar pub take the Main Street towards Boolarra.

Keep going over the little bridge, past Creamery Rd on your left, till you get to the first Road on your right after the little bridge. Take this Road, drive about 100 metres and you are now in Alfred Drive, look for number 19 and you are there !

The agenda will be for the out going President, Treasurer, Secretary and the Ranger to deliver their reports. Also there will be elections for (or re-elections) the President, Secretary, Vice President, Treasurer, Newsletter editor and one other committee member positions. As well as any other general business which needs to be raised.

Committee members please bring along a plate of afternoon tea, thanks.

TREE PLANTING DINNER 23 AUGUST 7:00 PM

This year's tree planting dinner will be held at Wendy Steenbergen's house.

118 Manning Drive Churchill.

Committee members, can you supply a casserole each and any other tree planters who come along (and you are most welcome to come) please bring along a sweet or salad.

Who can come to the tree planting dinner ?? Any one who has helped with the tree planting this year and their partners and or kids. See you there.

AUGUST ACTIVITY

August 17 Tree planting Braniffs Road (at the end of Brannifs Rd) 10:00 AM.

You will need to take along with you some gardening gloves, gum boots, your lunch and a drink. You may also need to take along a hammer to knock in the stakes.

All going well we should get the work done early and then go for a walk to the weir for lunch. (Billy tea sounds good doesn't it Rob) While we are there at the weir some of the more energetic of us could check out the planting we did last year on the hill above the weir.

THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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