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SEPTEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT

Annual Koala survey.

Seven members attended with six extra kids and a few extra adults which totalled about twenty people alltogether, not a bad turn out.

Six koalas and one baby were spotted.

The Stringybark Ridge track was the one which had the baby spotted with its mum up a Blue gum tree. There were two (adult) koalas spotted on this track the other one being up a Mountain Grey gum and was definitly identified as being a male or female koala.

Fosters Gully sported two koalas as well. One female in a Messmate tree and the other, again being positively identified as being male or female, was up a Grey gum tree.

Jumbuck Road boundry track also produced two koalas being spotted by our eagle eyed ranger. Both were deemed to be females and up Blue gums.

Also noticed on this walk (this is the walk which I went on) was the large amount of greenhood orchids which were very large I thought compared to the ones which I have seen before, as well as moroon hood orchids. It is the time of year for many of our plants to flower at the moment and there are some very interesting plants out in flower. One which could be seen is the Donkey orchid its where abouts I do not know of but if you do see one please tell me where you saw it.