

MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 56

OCTOBER 1997

Hi Everyone,



At the October meeting we managed to clear the big plantation of guards and stakes; for November we will try to clear the other plantation and also continue to whippersnip the big plantation. Walk up from Titheradge Place, as at last month's meeting.

During the month the Corrective Services people have continued to whippersnip round the small reservoir; CIT Weston students have cleared and planted more of their area and the Weston Venture Scouts (who have called themselves the Coolman Ridge Unit) have cut and poisoned a huge number of prunus trees. Simon and I have brushcut a large area of oats on the slopes of 'Stonehenge' and Jess and I have brushcut more of the big plantation.

From the minimal response we have had to our request for members to spend an hour whipper snipping at evenings or weekends it seems that most of our members don't mind having cattle reintroduced onto the Ridge. Once the major cutting is done this year I will not have the time and the Group will certainly not have the money for any follow up cutting to keep the grasses low. When they are high again we can expect cattle.

Caretakers will find the six-monthly report form attached to this newsletter. It is due back at the end of November.

The attached note about the craft sale is to serve as an extra reminder. Put in on the fridge so that you don't forget to come. It is on the day after the Melbourne Cup so come and spend your winnings! We will have a stall at Coolman Court Carnival on the following Sunday

Statistics for September:-

Hours	Group, Cubs, Chapman School	561)
	CIT Weston	40) 821
	Corrective Services	220)
Woody weeds	99	
Herbaceous weeds	13830	
Planted Trees & shrubs	659	
Herbaceous plants	180	
Grasses	160	

Whipper snipped large plantation

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 2nd November	Whipper snipping and tidying 10 - 4pm Plantations via Titheradge Place
Wednesday 5th November	Craft and Produce Sale 9am - 9pm 21 Ordell St Chapman
Sunday 9th November	Walk with Field Naturalists, 10am Kathner St
Sunday 9th November	Craft stall at Coolman Carnival
Sunday 16th November	Bird walk with Bruce, 8.30am Kathner St
Sunday 30th November	Grass Identification with Leon, 1.30pm Monkman St Steps

Cheers

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COOLEMAN RIDGE PARK CARE GROUP

Half Yearly Report

(31st May, 30th November)

AREA (eg SW K8-NW K9):

PROJECT:

WORK UNDERTAKEN:

RESULTS:

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS AND FORWARD PLAN:

CAPTIONS/ATTACHMENTS 1.
2.
3.

NAME

TELEPHONE NO.

DATE