

**MEMBERS NEWSLETTER NO 72
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Hi Everyone,

What wonderful planting weather we have been having! At the March meeting the Weston Cubs gave us great help. They and the Group planted 700 grasses that day. My weekend helpers have whipper-snipped almost the whole of that plantation and there are a lot of native grasses emerging. Marios and I are also whipper-snipping on Wednesday; at the moment we are attacking last years grant area and we have been pleasantly surprised by the number of our plantings which survived the drought.

This month we will meet at Guinness Place and attack the thistles and verbasum which are flourishing in the area. The area has been adopted by Chapman Primary School and Weston Cubs and Scouts; once we get the weeds under control we can hope that they will keep it cleared.

We are having another fund-raising Art & Craft Show on Friday 4th June and Saturday 5th June. Members of the Group are invited to submit their own art or craft to be displayed for sale in Coolman Court. Let David have a list of your entries to include name, medium or material and price by Monday 31st May. Hanging items must be suitably framed and wired/strung with the title, artists name and price clearly marked on the back. Craft items should be individually priced. Please deliver to 21 Ordell St Chapman by 6pm on Wednesday 2nd June. The group will take 25% of any sales made. Entries are entirely at the risk of the artist, all care will be taken but no responsibility accepted for damage or loss.

To fulfill the conditions of our incorporation we need to hold a general meeting. This has been arranged for Friday 23rd April, 7pm for Committee and 7.30pm for members. There are several important matters to discuss, please think if you have anything you would like included on the agenda.

We had some favourable comments on our Woden Library display. David and I had to identify people who were photographed on the "Video Day" the other day, some of you may be asked if you are willing to have your photograph given to various periodicals.

We have added fig and quince jams to our preserves cupboard

We will be away in May, the monthly meeting will be changed to the 4th Sunday (23rd May), phone Pauline Lyngå (62887009) if you need information between 1st and 19th May.

Statistics for March :-

Hours	On Ridge	302 (62½ of these were whipper-snipping)
	Off Ridge	89
Woody weeds cut & sprayed or dug		751
Herbaceous weeds pulled or sprayed		12630 inc.St John's Wort & Bramble
Trees and shrubs planted		98
Herbaceous plants planted		-
Grasses planted		956

Please remember to give me your hours at the end of the month.
Caretakers reports are due at the end of May.

Dates to Remember:

Sunday 18th April	10 - 4pm Guinness Place
Friday 23rd April	7.00 or 7.30pm, 21 Ordell St Chapman
Sunday 23rd May	10 - 4pm Guinness Place
Friday 4th June)	Art & Craft Show, Coolman Court
Saturday 5th June)	

Cheers

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