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Hi Everyone,

Welcome back after the Christmas/New year break. 1995 is the year when I hope we can get on top of the woody weed problem. David and I have continued cutting and spraying and have accounted for 1250 in the past 2 months. There are still a few thousand to go so all volunteers are welcomed with open arms most Sundays. (Phone first to find out where we are - before 9.30am).

Following on from a telephone interview I gave last year the group has had its photo plus an article in 3 national Landcare magazines this month - what fame!

We are now incorporated and therefore stand more chance of having grant applications approved. I hope to obtain one for planting mid-storey vegetation this year.

My son gave me 5Kg of crystallized ginger at Christmas so I have been busy cooking and have some lemon & ginger marmalade and fig chutney for sale at \$1.20 a jar, profits to group funds.

The trash and treasure stall we had at Coolleman Court in December was very disappointing - no customers; we will try again at Tuggeranong in March so keep donating your unwanted articles.

Robyn Navin has loaned the group her Vols 1,2,& 4 of the Plants of New South Wales (very detailed). Pauline Lyngå has them at the moment. Anyone who would like to borrow one can contact her on 2887009. We hope to buy Vol 3 shortly.

We are trying to encourage people who use the Ridge to pull up a couple of weeds as they walk, or adopt a rock and weed it. If you get chatting to anyone please see if you can get them interested (in repayment for the pleasure they get from the Ridge)

Sunday 5th February is our first meeting for 1995. We will meet at the Monkman St steps at 1.30pm and take a short walk to three little areas which need weeding and where we can identify some native plants. No thick grass; no herbicide; no hard work! Bring a drink and a snack and we'll sit and talk as well.

Sunday 5th March is "Clean Up Australia" day. I shall be having my usual place at Chapman Shops in the morning but will be having clean-up walks on the Ridge in the afternoon. More details next month.

Hope to see you all on Sunday 5th February 1.30pm
Monkman St steps,

Cheers

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