

Friends of Mount Majura (FoMM) February 2009 newsletter

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Dear Friends

Welcome to FoMM's February 2009 newsletter. I am pleased to inform you that we **have completed the mapping of rabbit warrens** on assigned blocks on Mt Majura and Mt Ainslie despite the scorching temperatures and the holiday season. I'd like to thank all volunteers involved in the mapping for their great work. I'll keep you informed on the progress of the project and I hope that Parks, Conservation and Lands will soon conduct an information talk for volunteers and the interested public on how to carry out the control of the rabbits.

Temperatures will drop to comfortable levels next week - perfect for a weekends' **woody weeds party** to which I would like to invite you. We will conduct the working party together with the Watson Woodland mob in an area of Mt Majura Nature Park, opposite Carotel; see below for more details.

If you come by car, please **consider car-pooling**. Contact me (6247 7515 or e-mail) during next week if you can provide a seat or if you need a lift. I call on experienced weeders to come along and take less experienced volunteers under their wings.

FoMM has registered a **Clean up Australia Day** site located north of the old Ainslie tip site. On our walks to map rabbit warrens, we found the area badly littered. I hope to attract the wider public to this **first bush clean-up**. Please find below details of the event and visit our website so see a map of the venue; please spread the invitation widely. The Mount Ainslie Weeders will hold a woody weeds working party on the same day in the same area so you can choose whether to pick up rubbish or chop down weeds.

Volunteers required to welcome, register and direct participants at the clean up event. We will have a roster for the day. Please put up your hand for one or more of the following 1.5 hours time slots:

8.30 to 10.00 (set up for a 9.00am start)

10.00 to 11.30

11.30 to 13.00

13.00 to 14.30

14.30 to 16.00 (pack up).

I am also looking for volunteers who could place posters in suburbs and at park entrances. Does someone have a sunshade, which we could borrow for the day?

Enjoy the cool change,
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Woody weeds working bee

When: Sunday, 15 February from 8.00am to noon

Where: meet at the car parking area off Antill St opposite Carotel; for a map of the venue visit www.majura.org.

What to bring and wear: sun protection, body-covering clothing

All equipment will be provided.

For car pooling please contact phone: 6247 7515 or e-mail: admin@majura.org

Clean up your local bush land on Clean Up Australia Day

When: Sunday, 1 March from 9.00am to 4.00pm

Where: meet at car parking area Kellaway Street, Hackett; visit www.majura.org for a map of the clean-up site and meeting point.

What to bring and wear: enclosed footwear, hat, sunglasses, long sleeves, gloves if you have them.

Please bring family, friends and colleagues and spread the invitation widely.

The Mount Ainslie Weeders will conduct a woody weeds working bee on the same day from 9.00am to noon; meet at the same venue.