

Friends of Mount Majura (FoMM) June 2010 newsletter

- World Environment Day 2010 celebration – this Sunday 6 June
- FoMM Working Bee - Sunday 20 June
- FoMM meeting – Sunday 27 June
- 306 Degree Films documentary on kangaroos

Dear Friends

Next Sunday we will be celebrating World Environment Day 2010 together with our neighbouring ParkCare groups and you are warmly invited to celebrate with us. Bring your family and friends for a walk, informative talks and delicious afternoon tea (a gold coin donation for afternoon tea would be much appreciated).

We celebrate the natural heritage of our nature reserves, and the projects and work to protect and enhance them. You will hear from Phil Gibbons of the Fenner School for the Environment how to juggle the conservation of ancient habitat trees with the risk they may present to people and property. Rangers will give an update on the rabbit work conducted in the Mt Ainslie and Mt Majura nature reserves. You will explore the impact overgrazing has on the grassy woodlands of the reserves and you will see the progress of work to enhance the bushland.

Please find a schedule of events below; for further information including maps of the meeting points please visit our website at <http://majura.org/2010/05/07/celebrate-world-environment-day-2010/>

Items for afternoon tea such as cake and muffins are very welcome. They are gratefully accepted at either 9 Selwyn Street until Saturday afternoon (contact Waltraud 6247 7515) or at 21 Richard Street until Sunday noon (contact Andrew 6249 1205).

Recent rain will make horehound removal a sheer pleasure – well, sort of – and I call on volunteers to give a helping hand on Sunday 20 June from 1.00pm onwards. We will be meeting at the lower Hackett reservoir off Rivett and French Streets; please bring a trowel and gloves - household gloves with long cuffs are best - and wrap warmly. There will be some gloves and tools and drinks to warm you up.

Everyone is welcome to our meeting on Sunday 27 June, 11am to 1pm, at 9 Selwyn Street. We will be discussing the rabbit mapping and control work of 2009/10 and prepare the National Tree Day 2010 Planting event scheduled for the 1 August.

Please RSVP: Phone 6247 7515 or Email admin@majura.org

360 Degree Films is filming a documentary on kangaroos in Canberra for ABC and is interested in your stories about living with kangaroos. They are interested in all types of stories, small and big, good and bad. Please contact Nicola at 0434 539 208 or Kate at 0400 487 808 if you have a story to tell. The filming crew would be also interested to hear about regular kangaroo movements or visits of particular sites.

Warm regards
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Program World Environment Day celebration, Sunday 6 June

Meet at 1pm

Choose between Mt Ainslie park entrance gate Phillip Ave/ Kellaway Street and view the re-vegetation work on the old Ainslie tip or Justice Robert Hope Park gate at Roma Mitchell Crescent, North Watson and learn about the Watson Woodlands.

Walk at 1.30pm

From Mt Ainslie (2.4km) or from Watson Woodland (700m) to Mt Majura.

Afternoon tea at 2.15pm

Combine at lower Hackett reservoir off Rivett / French Streets (car park at Helms Place) for afternoon tea, talk and inspection of local conservation projects.

Conclusion at 3.30pm