FRIENDS OF ALLEN PARK BUSHLAND GROUP



AUTUMN 2014

How lovely to have a break in the weather at last. The long dry summer has taken a heavy toll on last year's seedlings, as well as established plants. It has been a difficult summer for fauna as well. An injured Rainbow Bee eater was found at the bottom of the Seaward Corridor and taken to Malaga Refuge but unfortunately didn't survive. The Bee eaters have all migrated east or north and will return in October. Sadly a Tawny frogmouth was also found injured, a wing dislocation was diagnosed at Malaga Refuge, however it died within 24 hours. Fortunately we still have at least one resident Tawny frogmouth remaining in the bushland.

Lotterywest Grant

The Lotterywest walls are complete, with the final grouting being done last Tuesday. Take a walk past and enjoy them, the children's tiles look fantastic.

Interpretive signs for Carnaby cockatoos and the Yellow admiral butterfly are currently in the making to complete the interpretive signage. (Drawing by Lesley Shaw)

At this Saturday's bush care we will be sowing native pellitory seeds which provide the food source for the butterfly larva. These seeds were harvested last summer at a previous bush care morning.

No more stumble trip as you walk through the Boobook Sector and along the Goat Track; our thanks to City of Nedlands for the recent resurfacing of these pathways.

Volunteering week

There will be a walk in Shenton Bushland on Saturday 17th May from 9am to 12 noon sponsored by City of Nedlands as an appreciation for Natural Area Friends Groups. This is an exciting occasion for Friends of Allen Park and Shenton Bushland as we both celebrate our 20th anniversary. We encourage you all to RSVP to Vicki Shannon(vshannon@nedlands.wa.gov.au) and attend this function to demonstrate our concern for our local bushland. We would like to see as many of you there as possible; we need a strong show of support.

Bushcare Days

Come on down and enjoy a couple of hours with us in a wonderful environment!

SAT. 3rd MAY 9AM - 11AM dispersing native pellitory seed.

| Meet at the Friends of Allen Park Cottage just before 9am. Bring gloves. |
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| SAT. 7 th JUNE 9AM - 11AM PLANTING (all going well) |
| SAT. 5 th JULY 9AM - 11AM PLANTING |
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