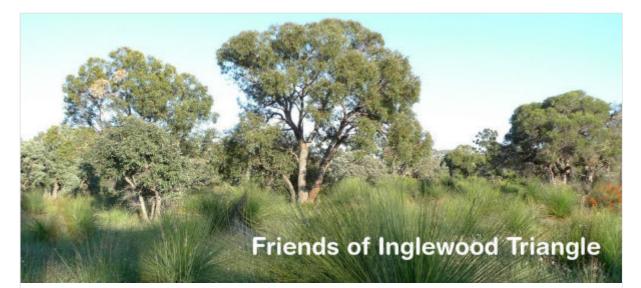
Inglewood Triangle - amazing bushland in the heart of suburbia







Look at our new logo! Many thanks Jane

**Clean Up Australia Day 2017** Come along to our 8th Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 4 March 2018. <u>Visit the site</u> to register or just turn up at 8 am.

### 2017 Achievements

Once again we have Inglewood Triangle in great condition: a wonderful Spring flowering and with the key weed (Veldt grass) well under control.

It was our 7th season for revegetation: we planted out more than 1000 seedlings in the corner of Walter Road and Hamer Parade

We also ran our 7th Clean Up Australia Day on the March long weekend.

Our continued our involvement in the science education program

# 2017 Wrap

## Another wonderful year - we've done a lot!

It has been a very busy and successful year in the Triangle! Perhaps the most significant change has been the way that our membership base has increased. In May, Alison provided an introduction to a local group celebrating "Jane's Walk" in with a walk through Inglewood starting at Inglewood Triangle. And a number of those who attended have since come along to help out at the Triangle. Thank you Rosita and Sue for making contact.

And thanks to Jane - we now have a <u>Facebook page</u>, a logo, a banner and a sign on the entry gate - all promoting Inglewood Triangle! The banner also displays drawings of Banksia flowers and cones made by the Perth College Kindy Class. You can see it in the photo below.

## Perth College Kindy

We have continued our great collaboration with Suzanne and the Perth College Kindy class. The girls visited the Triangle at least 6 times during 2017, helped with watering, undertook walks through various parts of the Triangle and helped with weeding. They also came along on a wet day to watch the installation of a bat box. The Friends made a return visit to the Kindy at the end of Term 4 to celebrate Christmas morning tea.

#### Our Annual Cycle...

In late July we **planted** out more than 1,000 seedlings into the barren corner of Walter Road and Hamer Parade. It was intended to be held with Perth College but the weather forecast was dismal forcing a cancellation! The Friends plus a Kindy student with Dad then rallied to plant on a subsequent weekend.

We are now **hand watering** these plants to help them through their first summer. Watering is scheduled for alternate Monday or Tuesday afternoons at 4:30 pm. We have been joined by young environmentalists including Sophie, Ben, Maddy, David, Toby and others. Extra volunteers are always welcome. <u>Email</u> if you can help.

Week in, week out a few seasoned volunteers come on a Sunday morning to **weed**. The highest priority weeds for removal are Veldt Grass and Fumaria. Weeding starts after first rains (sometime after Easter) and goes through until it gets too hot in December! We've had extra volunteers this year and the Triangle is amazingly weed free.

The 2017 **flowering season** has been pretty special. We've found species of orchids in the Triangle that haven't been seen before. In addition, the spider orchids have seemed more prevalent than previous years.

The **fauna** survey in late 2016 identified an amazing array of animals including scorpions, microbats, skinks and lizards! We have a bat box installed in one of our large trees and we now know how to identify a **Scorpion burrow**! Jane is determined to get a photo of a scorpion on a moonless night! Jane and her family also completed the <u>Aussie Backyard</u> <u>Bird Count</u> at the Triangle in October.

City of Stirling Support

with the Perth College Kindy class.

Our volunteer numbers grew; we ventured into the world of Facebook and we now have a logo and banner!

## **Official Stuff**

The office holders in 2017 were Maria Holland (Convenor), Christine Richardson (Treasurer), Christine Allbeury (Secretary), with Maddy, Suzanne, Anne-Marie, Alison and Jane as committee members. Christine Richardson was Friends of Inglewood Triangle's nominee on the Executive of the Urban Bushland Council WA Inc.

# **Urban Bush Telegraph**

We are a member of the Urban Bushland Council. To keep up with bushland matters, <u>click to</u> <u>the UBC's quarterly magazine</u>.



Blue Sun Orchid Thelymitra macrophylla



We also thank staff from the City of Stirling - especially Jo Taylor, Ryan Locke and Joanne Saunders for their assistance during the year. They have helped with so many things: weed and rubbish removal; installation of the bat box; the new fence; the support for re-vegetation; getting the verge mowed regularly; the new brushes and blue metal at the entrances; the water tank and getting it refilled. this has all been done with good humour and great alacrity.

# Councillor Bianca Sandri visits the Triangle

Bianca Sandri is the new City of Stirling Councillor for Inglewood Ward including Inglewood Triangle. She visited the Triangle in December and showed great interest in the site.

## Breakfast catch up to discuss 2018

We will meet on Friday 19 January at 7:15 am at Betty & Dave's Cafe (cnr Beaufort St & Central Ave) to talk through plans for 2018. Topics include working with Perth College; re-vegetation plans; securing funding for dieback stations. All welcome.

### Membership

Please help us with the minor costs of running the Friends group. Membership is \$10 per year and it can be paid by EFT to our bank account.

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Bat box for micro bats installed in the *Eucalyptus todtiana* 



What is this creature? Perth College Kindy Class at work



Councillor Bianca Sandri at Inglewood Triangle



*Caladenia falcata* - never before seen in the Triangle



Friends of Inglewood Triangle and our new banner!

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