

Friends of Mary Carroll Lake

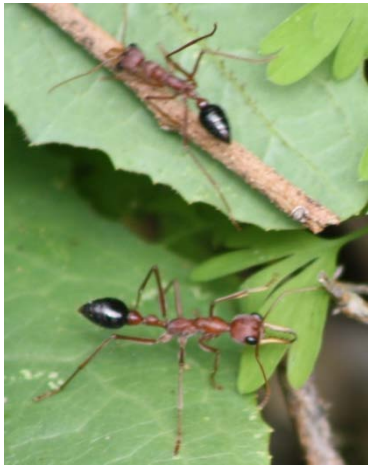


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Newsletter September -October 2010



Flowering plants on walk way – take a closer look – Do you know what species?



Bull Ants – nest popping up in rehabilitations areas

Contact – Friends of Mary Carroll Lake
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Flowers are appearing -
Calothamus quadrifidus growing just off the path near the car
park.

Tree Planting – SALP site - 2010

***SALP – Swan Alcoa Landcare Program, City of Gosnells and
AGLCG –Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group supplied funds and
man power to prepare the site and assist with planting.***

Thanks to 35 adults and children from local community who planted 2,000 understorey plants on Sunday 18th July - Friends group has an easy job of keeping an eye on area. We need help with weeding – come and help us.

Enjoying a cuppa and scones



Come and join our busy group, enjoy seeing, smelling and hearing nature at work while weeding, planting, rubbish removal, check rehabilitation sites, yellow fish drain stencilling We really need **your** help

Wear suitable clothing for the day, closed in footwear and hat. Bring a drink bottle and a friend.
All training and equipment supplied.

Work mornings 9 – 10.30am

Tuesday – contact Shae 0417925884

Wednesday – meet 9am at car park in Eudoria Street Gosnells Contact Unice 93987126

or

Arrange a time to suit you and plant sedges – 93987126

Come and join us, the natural environment of Mary Carroll Lake needs **your** help.

Eco walks and talks 2010

***Sunday September 26th 7.30 – 9.30am**

Breakfast in the park

Enjoy a walk, while watching waterbirds at play. Find difference between each of these unique creatures then enjoy healthy breakfast listening to the song birds

Presenter – Unice Robinson

On the walk will see 10 – 20 different waterbirds including their young

***Sunday October 31st 10 – 12md Walk with nature**

Enjoy a stroll around the lake to discover the biodiversity of a wetland with naturalist extraordinaire

Eric McCrum. Discuss our finding over a light lunch

Presenter – Eric McCrum

Please note it is the year of Biodiversity

Eric will discover and talk about birds, insects, skinks, plants, fungi, + and how they all connect

***Friday November 26th 7pm – 9.30pm Night Stalks**

Join local naturalist Marc Lane for sights and sounds of a wetland at night. Be surprised by the jewels of the night and keep an eye out for bat, turtles, frogs and more.

Presenter – Marc Lane

We will have a short walk in daylight and check out some waterbirds before heading off in darkness to find we hope all of the above - no guarantees as depends on the night.

Require -*Torches and mosquito repellent*

General information

*All walks commence near car park in Eudoria Street Gosnells

*All walks are on paths or park ground – suitable for wheel chairs/ prams

*Universal toilets available

*All walks suitable for all ages and ability

*Clothing to suit weather, closed in shoes

*Binoculars -can bring own – binoculars available on all walks

ECO WALK

***Saturday August 28th 9 – 11am Water discovery**

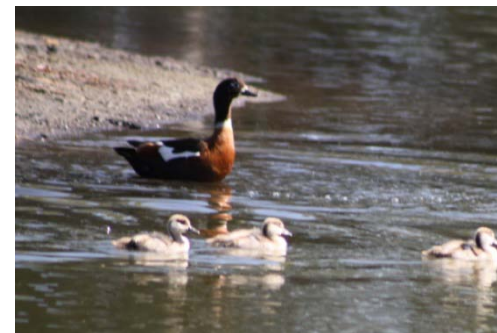
Wow ! a fantastic morning unfortunately too sunny for us to see our frogs around the lake – take an early morning walk or evening and they are a calling.

Amy showed 31 adults + children bottled local frogs, listened to their calls and then we looked at their habitat.

We followed up by looking for Macro invertebrates in the water - 9 macros found



Mary Carroll Lake is alive with new life – go for a walk out on the walk way (near car park)– not only are flowering plants coming into flower but a lot of our waterbirds have young.



Water birds seen from the walkway - Australian Shelduck (above), Australasian grebe, Darter, Pied cormorant, Ibis, Black swans, Wood duck, Grey teal, Pacific black duck, Hard head, Blue billed duck, Purple swamphen, Eurasian coot, Black fronted dotterel, Stilts, Australasian Shoveler