



## Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

# January



Filling water bottles ready for the following week; photo by Marie.

### Monday Work Days: 4, 11, 18, 25 & 31

Weekly watering at Banksia Hill & Litoria Stage 7 Sites, plus some weeding at Litoria Bank.

Collection of *Casuarina humilis* nuts for propagation.

Lots of insects, including a Native bee, *Meraglossa rubricata*.

# February

### Monday Work Days:

1 & 8 cancelled due to COVID lockdown and rain.

15 & 22 were spent watering at Banksia Hill and Litoria Stage 7.

### Saturday Group Work Day 20.2.21:

Weeding at Floodplain Restoration Site – 12 people, incl 2 new members; removal of clumps of Cyperaceae and Paspalum, plus *Persicaria*, *Gomphocarpus fruticosus* (Narrow-leaf Cottonbush) and a related species not seen in the area before: *Asclepias curassivica* (Mexican Butterfly Weed).



Native bee, photo by Claire



Tackling clumps of Crab Grass



New weed: Mexican Butterfly Weed



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## March



*Judy returning with a dozen water bottles*

### Monday Work Days: 8, 15 & 22

Watering of previous seasons plantings continued until late March. Weeding of Wild Aster was also carried out along the Goat Track.

### 7.3.21 Clean Up Australia Day:

Another great community event; great that there seems to be less rubbish overall, but it was disappointing to find fish traps in the river.

### 8.3.21 Night Stalk with CREEC:

Several CRRPV members attended to offer information about their recently-completed Microbat Project. A brochure produced as part of this project was launched at this event.

### 20.3.21 Group Work Day:

Weeding Fleabane & Wild Aster at Paddock Site, then weeding in the shade at Floodplain Restoration Site.



*A carload from Shelley Bridge area*

## April

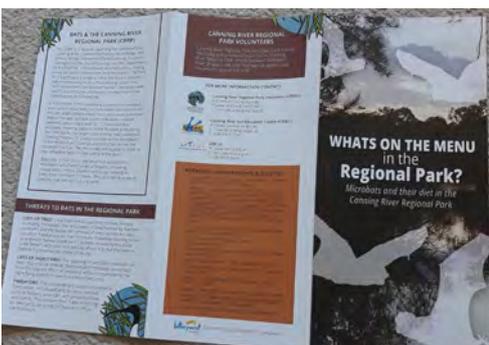
### Monday Work Days 5,12,19 & 26:

Final watering of plants at Banksia Hill, and weeding of Fleabane at Urban Forest, which is gradually recovering from the fire.

**Saturday Group Work Day** April 24: Cancelled due to a snap COVID lockdown.



*Recyclables and fish traps removed from the river.*



*Bat Brochure*



*Pam with monster Fleabane; photo by Marie*



*UF regrowth*



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## May

### Monday Work Days 3,10,17 & 24:

Weeding at Small Billabong but most Mondays were spent tackling regrowth Morning Glory yet again; lots of runners removed plus some Cyperaceae, flatweed and Paspalum.

### Saturday Group Work Day May 22:

With great support from Riverview Church team again; weeding Paspalum and some Blackberry regrowth on the lower level of Paddock Site.



*Weeding at Small Billabong - Anne with mask, 3.5.21 by Marie*



*Working together, photo by Marie*



*Grubbing out Morning Glory roots*



*Work at Paddock, Blackberry removed photo by Marie*



*Removing Cyperaceae from drain at MG by Marie*



*Morning tea with Riverview, photo by Claire*



# Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

## June



CRRPV and CofC at work F'dale Flats West



Volunteers planting



End of the morning...



Planting, watering and staking at B. Hill



Pored fungi, B. Hill, Wasp Nest Polypore, *Hexagonia vesparia*



Dark tan fungi on paperbark by Marie



Tree Frog on paperbark by Marie

### Monday Work Days 7,14, 21 & 28:

June 7: Application of Wetta Soil at Banksia Hill plus planting of *Stirlingia*, Christmas Trees, Kangaroo Paws and Woody Pear.

June 14: Helping City of Canning Natural Area Management team with planting at Ferndale Flats West. About 2000 plants were put in on this day and one of our members also helped out on Tuesday.

### Saturday Group Work Day June 19:

With Riverview Church Volunteers again; unfortunately more weeding of *Hypochaeris* and Veldt Grass at Bankia Hill since the necessary spraying of *Fumaria* wasn't able to be done in time to allow us to plant tube stock.

A 'new' fungi added to our list: *Hexagonia vesparia* (Wasp Nest Polypore).

### Monday Work Days 21, 28:

June 21: Weeding at Billabong Site. Lots of fungi of various species - and a small Tree Frog (*Litoria adelaidensis*).

June 28: Planting of 300 tube stock, provided by City of Canning, at Banksia Hill.

**Over the past 12 months (to the end of June 2021) 86 events (more than 1 per week) were undertaken by the group and a total of 3126.5 hours.**

**2239 HOURS**  
BY REGULAR VOLUNTEERS

**419 HOURS**  
VISITORS CONTRIBUTED

**Thank you to everyone for their support and hard work!**



# Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

## July



Sedge rescue day at Cannington



Collecting plants in pots



Viv with a barrow load

### Monday Work Day - July 5:

Sedge Rescue Day at a Cannington development site; 7 CRRP Vollies + 3 from City of Canning Natural Area Management team; 5 trailer loads, mostly *Chaetanthus* sp, some *Laurencia* sp, Pygmy Sundew & *Wurmbea* sp. Some have been stored (172 small-med pots) at our Field Officer's home, to be planted later; the big clumps were planted at the SE end of Litoria Flats on the same day.

### Monday Work Day - July 19:

Plantrite order planted at Billabong: *Eremaea pauciflora*, *Conostylis candicans*, *Dianella revoluta* & *Melaleuca lateritia*.

### Saturday Group Work Day - July 24:

Sedge planting at Litoria Bank lower level; smaller sedges rescued from Cannington were stored till we could deal with them.

### Monday Work Day - July 26:

Planting at Urban Forest - *Verticordia densiflora* & *Patersonia occidentalis*.



One tray ready to go



Planting rescued sedges



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## August

### Monday Work Day - August 2:

Planting of 160 *Melaleuca lateritia* (the remainder of the Plantrite donation) at Billabong Site + weeding *Fumaria* from around plants.

### Monday Work Day - August 9:

Hand-weeding Veldt Grass at Litoria Bank - until the weather beat us!

### Saturday Group Work Day - August 21:

At Litoria Bank: 12 people pulled 30 bags of weeds and found three bobtails.

### Monday Work Day - August 23:

Weeding and laying weed matting at Urban Forest.

### Monday Work Day - August 30:

Further weeding and laying of weed matting at Urban Forest.



*Hand-weeding Veldt Grass using knife*



*Bobtail at Litoria Bank by Evelyn*



*Laying weed matting at Urban Forest by Marie*



*Shelduck with young at Urban Forest 4.9.21 by Claire*



## Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

# September



The new trailer in use. Photo by Marie

**Saturday Sept 4:** An extra group work day to try to get on top of weeds. Hand-weeding & laying of more weed matting at Urban Forest. Work continued on **Monday Sept 6.**

**Monday Work Day- Sept 13:** Weeding Fumaria at Billabong Site.

**Saturday Group Work Day - Sept 18:** Weeding at Paddock

**Monday Work Day - Sept 20 & 27:** Weeding continued at Billabong Site, despite the 27<sup>th</sup> being a public holiday. The reward: The Sacred Kingfishers are back.

# October

**Monday Work Days - Oct 4, 11 & 18,** as well as an extra **Saturday - Oct 16:** All spent weeding at Billabong Site.

**Saturday Group Work Day - Oct 23:** Support from Riverview Church for yet more weeding at Billabong Site - but our recent plantings are now visible and clear of Fumaria.

*Eremaea pauciflora* flowering at Litoria Bank, one of several shrubs planted by CRRPV.



Sacred Kingfisher at Billabong by Claire



The job ahead



*Eremaea pauciflora*, orange  
*Eremaea*, Lit Bank



40 bags of weeds later.



# Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

## November



*Checking for bobtails prior to mowing, Lit Flats, by Marie*



*Jo weeding Hypochaeris, Lit Flats by Marie 30.11.21*



*Splendid Fairy-wren male by Claire*



*With Dr Jags & new trailer, 29.11.21 by Claire*

**Wednesday - Nov 3:** A short session to do a walk-through at Litoria Flats, prior to contractors mowing. This time no Bobtails needed to be rescued.

**Monday Work Day - Nov 1:** Weeding at Billabong Site.

**Monday Work Days - Nov 8 & 15:** More weeding and brush-cutting, but this time along Litoria Stream.

**Sunday Nov 7 - Bird Survey:** The second for the year, this time in much better weather! The star attraction was a male Splendid Fairy-wren in breeding plumage.

**Saturday Group Work Day - Nov 20:** Support from Rocks Church Cannington. Hand-weeding around planted transplanted sedges, brush-cutting and raking. 18 Rocks people + 8 VOLLIES = 80 bags of weeds & dry material!

**Monday - Nov 22:** A shortened work day plus presentation of a \$500 cheque from Commonwealth Bank, Riverton which is much appreciated.

**Monday Work Day - Nov 29:** Lifting of weed-matting at Urban Forest, and a visit by Dr Jags to celebrate our impressive new trailer, funded by Dr Jags.



*Weeding around transplanted sedges = 80 bags of weeds and dry grass*



*Presentation of \$500 by CommBank, Riverton 22.11.21*



## Canning River Regional Park Volunteers (CRRPV) 2021 HAPPENINGS

# December



*Weeding Prickly Lettuce 6.12.21  
by Marie*



*Morning tea 6.12.21 by Marie*



*Blue-banded Bee on Dianella revoluta. Photo by Claire.*



*Long table lunch at Riverside, 2021*