

Friends of Braeside Park

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I/We wish to become a member of the FRIENDS OF
BRAESIDE PARK INC
(No joining fee)

FAMILY MEMBER	Annual	fee \$15.00
ORDINARY MEMBER	"	fee \$10.00
STUDENT MEMBER	"	fee \$5.00
ORGANISATION MEMBER	"	fee \$15.00
PENSIONER MEMBER	"	fee \$5.00
DONATION:	\$.....	

FAMILY NAME:.....

GIVEN NAME:.....

Other 1.....

Family 2.....

Members 3.....

ADDRESS:.....

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TELEPHONE: (H).....(B).....

MOBILE:

E-mail Address:.....

OCCUPATION:.....

SPECIAL INTERESTS:.....

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF THIS FORM
AND SEND IT WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEE TO:-

The Treasurer, Friends of Braeside Park
PO Box 608, Braeside, Vic. 3195

Privacy – The Friends of Braeside Park use personal
information for Friends activities and the management of
Braeside Park.

Friends of Braeside Park

The 'Friends' group formed in 1988 consists of people from all walks of life who have a basic common aim; that is to retain and enhance Braeside Park as a natural oasis in the midst of advancing suburbia.

The Park is preserved as a natural area to allow future generations to appreciate a sample of the environment as it was at the time of arrival of white man from Europe.

The Park is used as an educational facility and as a source of genetic plant material not readily obtainable from other locations.

Children are encouraged to participate in Park activities. They are assisted to take part in a range of activities such as tree planting, plant propagation and maintenance of Park features.

Schools, Scouts, Guides and other special interest groups are most welcome to help.

The Park is of special value to families, as people of all ages are encouraged to become involved. Join, and have your say about the operation of the group.

The friends are managed through a committee which meets on a monthly basis, a newsletter is produced to keep members informed, activities for the various interest groups are scheduled throughout the year and grants are sought to provide improvements to the park both naturally and recreational.

A Community Indigenous Garden Group has been formed which meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month

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THE PURPOSES OF THE FRIENDS OF BRAESIDE PARK are as follows:

TO PROMOTE the use and enjoyment of the Park by the community.

TO ENCOURAGE community awareness and understanding of the Park by education and direct hands on experiences.

TO SUPPORT the protection, conservation and environmentally sensitive development of the Park for the benefit of present and future generations.

TO ASSIST Park staff in the enhancement of the environment and development of facilities.

To PUBLISH material for educational and informational purposes related to the features and environment of the Park.

TO CO-OPERATE, and undertake joint activities with other organisations with similar purposes.

TO RAISE, MANAGE AND SPEND FUNDS for financing suitable projects within the Park.

TO FORM specific activity groups within the Park to manage and organise specific projects.

At present the special groups are:

Indigenous Seed collection and seedling propagation

Bird observation and recording

Streamwatch, water quality monitoring

Project days

Salinity Bores

Community (Indigenous Plant) Garden

TO RECORD changes to the park through photographic monitoring sites.

POINTS OF INTEREST ABOUT BRAESIDE PARK

The Park covers an area of 300 hectares, is located 23 kilometres southeast of Melbourne in the suburbs of Dingley and Braeside.

PICNIC AREAS:- The Telford and Federation Picnic areas located in the Northern portion of the Park with access from Lower Dandenong Road. Picnic tables and free electric barbecues are provided for visitors. Booking details are available for large groups via Parks Victoria's information line on 131963. The Redgum picnic area is accessed from Governor Road and is located in the Southern portion of the Park. Sheltered picnic and toilet facilities are provided for visitors.

ADVENTURE PLAYSCAPE is designed to cater for children of all ages with ramps at each end catering for those with disabilities. The facility was revamped in 2003 after many years of heavy use and still remains a major attraction for all visiting children and parents.

THE VISITOR CENTRE provides information about the Park including history of the area.

THE WETLANDS CONSERVATION AREA forms the northern edge of the former Carrum Carrum swamp and have been extended progressively through the 1980's to encourage a wide variety of water birds to the area. A birdhide & two viewing platforms have been provided to assist in observing birds.

THE HEATHLAND CONSERVATION AREA is a significant valuable remnant woody heathland of some 80 hectares, with entry to this area of the park requiring contact with the Park Rangers.

THE REDGUM GRASSY WOODLAND CONSERVATION AREA lies between the Wetlands and the Heathland and forms the largest conservation area of the Park, of some 120 hectares. Portions of this area are grazed for fire management purposes until rehabilitation of the woodlands takes place.

MURALLED ART WALLS are located in the Federation picnic area and were installed by the friends as part of a Federation Grant on 2001

COMMUNITY (Indigenous Plant) GARDEN is located in the Federation picnic area and adjacent to the community nursery.

THE TRAILS provide opportunities to view each of the areas discussed above with interpretive signage highlighting points of interest. Overall 12 kilometres of trails are available for walking, jogging or cycling.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT:

I WOULD LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

SPECIAL GROUP ACTIVITIES

Indigenous Nursery Group: Yes / No
Collect, clean and store seed, before then being used for the propagation of thousands of seedlings each year for planting throughout the park.

Streamwatch: Yes / No
Activities record the health of the Park's waterways and ground water condition throughout the park at various sites.

Project days: Yes / No
Provide the opportunity for involvement in a variety of environmental and park maintenance activities and are scheduled on weekdays and weekends. Activities can include weeding, planting, fencing, etc.

Week day involvement Yes / No
Week end involvement Yes / No
Saturday Yes / No
Sunday Yes / No

Bird Observing and Recording: Yes / No
Activities are undertaken throughout the year with all records being collated to create a history of birds.

Community Garden
Provides the opportunity learning and involvement in specific sites within the park where display gardens are provided for the public to visit. Yes / No

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES
Evening and Night Activities: Yes / No
Provided by Ranger staff focus on stagwatches for sugar gliders, nightwalks and collection of bat data through trapping etc.

Development of Resource Data: Yes / No

Production of Flora & Fauna information. Yes / No

Production of Friends Newsletter. Yes / No