

## THE FRIENDS OF BRAESIDE PARK

# NEWSLETTER



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The Friends are changing the newsletter to email format only. This allows us to comply with Covid-19 guidelines and to maintain our low membership fees for the future. [braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com)



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## Report from the President

Recently, I streamed a meeting of a neighbouring Melbourne council and saw one of their Councillors challenge another for constantly '*blabbing* on about climate change' and the need for a new local law to protect large canopy trees to reduce the Urban Heat effect. He triumphantly pointed to the past weekend's freezing, gusty, hailing, stormy weather as one of the coldest on record for April! That Councillor either doesn't know the difference between weather and climate, or simply wanted to undermine the introduction of a local law to save large trees to protect the vulnerable in the community.

You would think that with both a climate and an extinction crisis in full swing, and a global pandemic overshadowing all our lives, that listening to science and protecting our community and nature might be important. However, this councillor is another reason why Australia leads the world on the extinction of mammals and is fourth globally for the extinction of all species. Many people hope that ignoring it is the best way of denying global heating (which increases erratic stormy weather here, and cyclones further north). Others, simply do not understand or do not want to - for greed, laziness, or fear?

I have spent twenty-five years living here and observing the urbanisation of Dingley Village and the ever-shrinking Green Wedge - the Mordialloc Freeway is only the latest and most obvious thing. It all makes me shudder as to what future generations will think of us.

Major Roads Project Victoria recently communicated what will be planted beside Braeside Park along their Freeway, and especially near the underpass into the Park. Their list were not local species indigenous to the area. This is River Red Gum country and there were none. There were no native grasses - just cooch, turf grass. In between, there are Coastal and Manna Gums, Narrow Leaved Peppermint Gums, Blackwoods, Drooping She oak, Black-anther Lily, Smooth Flax Lily, Cushion Bush, and Spiny Saltbush. So, any hope that the Freeway's destruction of biodiversity will be 'mitigated' by native vegetation is token.

A recent visit to the Little Desert National Park brought home to me once again, the mess we have made of our country. Little Desert NP has an incredibly rich biodiversity adapted to the arid conditions. The wheat fields surrounding are monocultural wastelands which produce wheat for export. The farmers are under immense pressure to grow bigger, more efficiently by clearing more Mallee *scrub* (note the derogatory term to describe a perfectly adapted flora) by working the land more intensively, tapping into the rapidly diminishing Wimmera River and groundwater and hoping for more drought resistant species to be developed. The question is actually whether crops should be grown in such marginal areas.

Sir David Attenborough, in his recent documentary 'Extinction' called for action to rewild the world.

In the case of the Mallee and inland deserts of Australia, this could mean reducing the farmed areas to expand bushland to protect our precious water and soil .

Here in Dingley Village, that could mean reducing the impact of urbanisation by rewilding our gardens and nature strips with indigenous plants, and directing stormwater into miniature wetlands and swales. It could mean addressing tree cover inequality across our suburb, and simply planting trees and more greenery on own land to ensure that everyone is more resilient to the mental pressures of urban living and its hazards of heat waves. It could mean using programmes such as Gardening for Wildlife and Nature Stewards. (The former is already available through the Kingston Council. The latter is a relatively new Victorian program that invites and supports adults to learn, connect, and act for nature locally. It aims to grow Victoria's 'rewilding force' of volunteers who give their time for nature. It builds participants' ecological knowledge and connections.)

To find out more, to apply to join a 2021 program, or to become a program presenter, partner or host, visit [outdoorsvictoria.org.au/naturestewards/](https://outdoorsvictoria.org.au/naturestewards/) or visit Facebook and Instagram .

You might want to join me to encourage Kingston Council to host Nature Stewards training, too!

We can all take up Sir David Attenborough's challenge and rewild Dingley Village.

**Judith Sise**

## **The Friends of Braeside Park**

On Saturday 13 March, the opening of the six-metre wide cement pedestrian underpass under the Mordialloc Freeway and into Braeside Park was low key. A smoking ceremony was performed by a member of the Kulin Nation to welcome all to country. Member of the Victorian Legislative Council Dr Tien Kieu, and the Legislative Assembly members Sonya Kilkenny and Tim Richardson attended, as did Kingston's Mayor Cr Steve Staikos. Mr Richardson and the representative of VicRoads' Major Roads Project spoke.

Mr Richardson praised The Friends of Braeside Park for standing up for the environment during the Environmental Effects Statement process (strange comment considering he knows The Friends opposed and still do the building of the Freeway and he also knows the Environmental Effects Statement was simply a media process after the decision was made) and then working with Major Roads Project Victorian afterwards. He spoke of looking forward to the completion of the Freeway, and the 70 000 cars to daily travel along it. He was looking forward to riding with his daughter on their bicycles through the underpass to enjoy Braeside Park. Mr Richardson, please be aware that constructing a major freeway next to a park makes it less of a park. Below are some of the impacts Mr Richardson may like to consider before setting off on a family ride with his small daughter.

Pollution produced by vehicle exhausts including carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides, ash particles, volatile organic compounds and sulphur dioxide will be present in the Park. Hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides react with sunlight to form ground-level ozone. Ground-level ozone, a main ingredient in smog, causes respiratory problems. Incidentally, it makes a mockery of Parks Victoria's slogan "Healthy Parks, Healthy People."

Then, there are the lights along the Freeway and each of those vehicles which use it. Light-pollution also harms our environment, our wildlife, their habitats, and our quality of life. (People function better with sleep. People sleep better and longer when it is dark, cool, and quiet.) Light-pollution also contributes to climate change because it adds more heat to the atmosphere. Major Roads Project Victoria will no doubt follow all the present regulations, yet a freeway is a freeway full of car lights. This will impact on the wildlife and humans' habitats. Migratory birds who visit Braeside Park and its surviving, surrounding wetlands will have to deal with a glaring ribbon of light during their visits to Australia. (Then, there is sound-pollution; but nobody who lives within earshot of Springvale, Lower Dandenong, or Westall Roads needs that explained to them.)

Will indigenous symbols, Bunjil, the Wedge-tailed Eagle, and Waa, the Crow, assist these wandering migratory visitors to navigate through to safety?

Lastly, there is the runoff from the Freeway, a major source of water pollution. As the water runs along a surface, it picks up litter, petroleum, chemicals, petrochemicals, heavy metals, and other toxins. These harm an entire ecosystem such as Braeside Park, but the Major Roads Project team assures all that their swales can mitigate all this. Remember once the MRP team complete the Freeway and hands the Freeway back to VicRoads, they will take no responsibility for the maintenance of the swales (cleaning out of the toxic chemicals collected annually).

Back at that first meeting the Friends of Braeside Park had with VicRoads' representatives about their Freeway, the government spokesperson forecast that the Freeway would change the Park forever, and we had better get used to "noise, smell and general pollution" because that was our Future. Now, it is yours too. (At least, VicRoads was honest!)

***Judith Sise***

## Nursery Visit

On Sunday 14 March, I visited The Friends' Nursery for the first time in 2021. *Working for Victoria* persons and their leaders did some propagation and planting activities based at the Nursery, but for many long months nothing happened. Team A recently did a clean-up too. My last visit 18-20 months ago I think, there were igloos full of trays of seedlings and the hardening out sheds were mostly full too. The shed was dusty but organised. The pots were washed and stacked into trays ready for filling. The yard was raked. My first visit was a shock, like visiting an abandoned once loved home. The propagation igloo was cold, with a wheelbarrow loaded with seed bottles and a few dried, discarded seed trays. One seedling igloo was empty and one contained a few trays of seedlings and a few cypress tree seedlings all dripping with mosses and lichens. The hardening-out shelter held few trays, all desperate for some weeding and sorting. There were stacks of pots needing cleaning. I cleaned, mixed potting mix and filled pots and pricked out three trays of *Leptospermum Continentale* and cleaned a small space in the shed. I returned March 21 and raked and replanted the large pots near the gate. The ants in one pot were annoyed! I pricked out some *Eucalyptus Ovata* and *Indigoferus* which someone had sowed and forgotten.

Over the next couple of weeks, I pricked out 22 trays and tidying up. I did some research on how to rejuvenate the nursery. Ideas include advertising for some people interested in doing some nursery training provided by an outside provider and seeking an individual prepared to take charge of the nursery. Des Lucas' contact, Owen Griffin, took a look over the nursery and gave Margaret, Des and I some good advice in mid-April. There are a few more options to follow up over the next few weeks.

There is much to be done to return the Nursery to the viable, busy place it once was, so let's start with that team of interested members to train and start collecting seeds to rejuvenate the nursery. If you are interested please contact me.

**Judith Sise**

## Water Watch begins again

Almost a year ago, the last WaterWatch testing was completed. The chemicals in the kit are either out of date or on the verge of going out of date. Melbourne Water is promising replacements soon! There are four sites in the Park tested monthly. The Major Roads Victoria Team are also testing we are told. It would be interesting to see their results.

Temperature is a measure of the amount of heat in the water, that is, how hot or cold a river is. It is measured as degrees Celsius, (°C).

The pH of water is a measure of its acidity or alkalinity. The actual component of the water being measured is its concentration of hydrogen ions (H<sup>+</sup>).

Electrical conductivity (EC) measures the flow of electricity in a solution. Conductivity in a solution increases as the amount of salts dissolved in the water increases. The units of EC in water are usually expressed as micro Siemens per centimetre (µS/cm).

Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of water. As suspended particulate matter including clay, silt, detritus and plankton in the water increases, the clarity decreases and the water takes on a muddy appearance.

Both phosphorus and nitrogen are essential nutrients for the plants and animals that make up the aquatic food web.

Dissolved oxygen (DO) is the small amount of oxygen gas dissolved in the water. It is essential for the respiration of fish, aquatic animals, micro-organisms and plants. To maintain a healthy and diverse aquatic ecosystem, the dissolved oxygen must be maintained at high levels to support the more sensitive species. Studies suggest that 4.5 mg/L

Below are the results for March 2021.

	Bent Bridge	Cherry Bridge	Dingley Drain	Wetlands
Temperature				
Air	13	13	20	15
Water	15	12	21	15
pH	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.6
E.C.	560	525	646	580
Turbidity	30	50	50	100
Ammonium	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00
Phosphorus	0.15	0.15	0.05	0.00
Oxygen	4	6	6	3

*Judith Sise*

## Friends Annual Bat Night 20 March 2021

The Friends organised a Bat Night with the opportunity for the lucky people who booked to hear an enthralling description of Bats and Other Nocturnal Animals by John Harris from Wildlife Adventures (check name). Unlike the previous Bat Night in 2019, we were unable to set up the harp nets in the Heathland, but all the 17 people present enjoyed a presentation on Bats and other Nocturnal Animals of Braeside Park.

We learnt about the types and variety of bats, microbats and the other more recognized nocturnal animals of Braeside Park including Tawny Frogmouths (one spotted on our walk), ringtail and blacktail possums, noisy miners, doves and the other nocturnal animals that abound in Braeside Park. We also learnt the correct techniques for animal spotting using coloured torches so that the animals eyes show and it waits to be observed by the group.

It is better to have one torch, once the animals have been spotted and they will happily sit in their tree perch, largely and be observed by the group. Quietness is also important on night walks, so that the nocturnal animals are uncomfortable with human visitors to their home environment. The sightings on these walks are recorded for Parks Victoria records with their location for future monitoring.

Question why are these animals nocturnal – they like cooler weather, with fewer predators around at night and there is more food options available. We heard some of the sounds of possums and others on John's computer. And the sound of the micro bats on a special recording device, also enthralling and different.

Bats are 23% of Australian fauna with 8 species in Braeside Park one third of all species in Victoria. For those with hearing issues, different bats have different levels of frequency levels in sound (KhZ) from 11 KHZ to 35 khz, some not audible to humans. With most humans hearing at 20 KHZ, Goulds Wattle Bat has a level of 35-27 KHZ, and can travel 20 kilometres from its roost site to feed. The sound audiograms of the bats were also enthralling and interesting for all.

John explained to use how harp nets are used – set up and managed, with changes at different times of the year, and how bats use bat boxes in trees – come out the bottom and climb up the tree before takeoff. They prefer natural tree hollows, an important part of the environment of Braeside Park. It personally made me a lot more appreciative of the world and sounds of bats, and how they communicate when they fly over me on the racecourse trail in Braeside. I will be much more appreciative of their role in Braeside Park in the future.

Thanks to John Harris for coming to Braeside again and presenting to this group, we look forward to the Harp Nets activity later in 2021, which will be well worth attending. Thank you also to the group that attended, and we hope you, like me, gained a new appreciation of the environment and nocturnal wildlife of Braeside Park from all angles.

*Margaret Hunter*



## Park Connect Update/Activity Program April 2021

Park Connect is the online site used by Parks Victoria to record volunteer hours for Friends groups in Victoria. This assists with funding grants to support the work of the Friends, and record these hours and activity details.

A recent change to this site is that registration is only for Friends Group volunteers, including night walk guides, Wednesday Group participants, and those assisting in the organization of the activity. Participants will now be booking for activities on the following methods – phone/text to 0417 323 460; email to [braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com). Activities are updated monthly and as required on our website and other information is available from the Secretary Margaret Hunter on the contact details above. We encourage Park Connect members to become a financial member of the Friends of Braeside Park, with information in this newsletter as well.

Activity programs have booking limits and we encourage cancellations 24 hours before the event so we can re-fill those spots. This is most important on our heavily booked night programs. We offer special group walks on application to the Secretary outside of the normal walk program if guides are available. Guides are always welcomed to assist us with running these activities.

*Margaret Hunter*

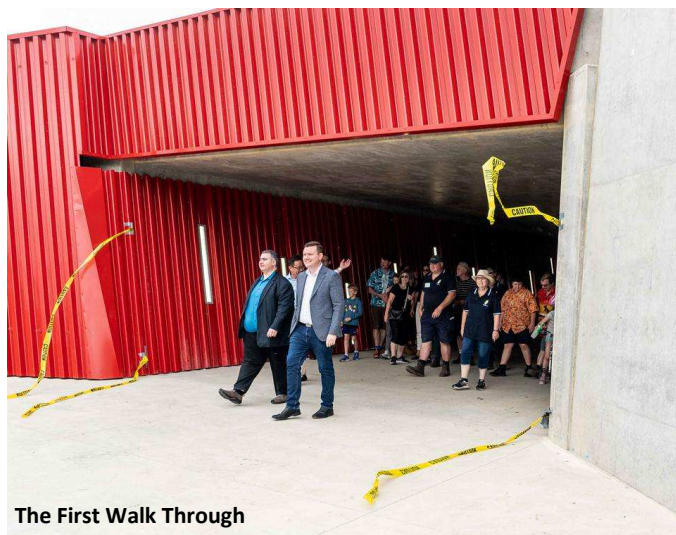
## Mordialloc Freeway Pedestrian Underpass Opening 13 March 2021

Before the afternoon rainfall on Saturday 13 March, members of the Friends of Braeside Park community, committee members, representatives of Princes Laundry and CRG members and MRPV staff. and contractors attended the formal opening of the Pedestrian Underpass at Parkways in the Woodlands Industrial Estate at 11.00 am. Due to predicted inclement weather, this was a smaller function than planned.

There was an Aboriginal Smoking Ceremony, appreciated by those attending, state MP's attending including Tim Richardson MP, the Member for Mordialloc, and State colleagues. Des Lucas, Parks Victoria Team Leader Sandbelt Parks and Digger, long term Ranger for Parks Victoria and the former MMBW, known to all as an authority on Braeside were also welcomed attendees with many years working in Braeside – too many to count. What these ranger staff do not know about Braeside Park is not worth knowing and is irreplaceable. Also people passing by trying to access the park before the official opening, it is such a popular asset for bicycle access. The staff from Woodlands Industrial Estate businesses are champing at the bit to have better access from Parkway.



The young families accompanied the crowd through the underpass from Parkway, the children enthusiastic to be first to traverse the structure, with appropriate photos taken. They were impressed by the 'big' scissors used to open the underpass, and the opportunity to visit Braeside Park from another entry in the future.



**The First Walk Through**

This will open up Braeside Park to the community, and its opening is a significant development in the long history of Braeside Park since the days of early settlement, other land uses, the Phar Lap and the sewerage farm from 1940-1978. For more information please see the Kingston Council Historical Webpage.

If only the historic Cypress Trees on the famous Heritage listed Cypress Drive could talk, what stories they could tell. Now they will have more, with additions to the 800,00 visits in 2020 to Braeside – a significant increase on previous years. They were planted in the 1940's and are one of best parts of Braeside Park.

*Margaret Hunter*

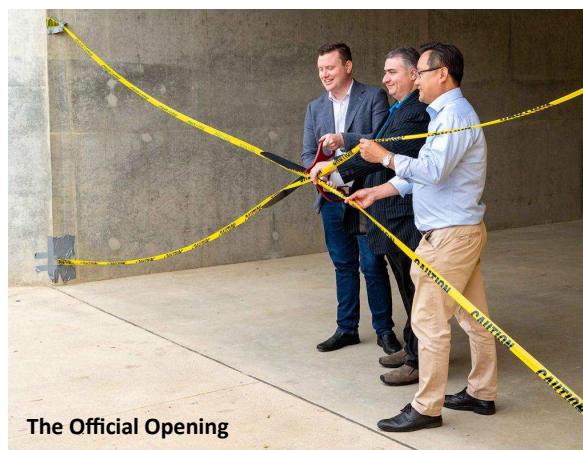
## NIGHT WALK PROGRAM UPDATE 2021

Night walks are again running in 2021, with bookings open for the following public night walks June 4, 2 July, 6 August and 3 September 2021. Arrangements are confirmed before the walks with bookings closed should bookings reach the capacity of 20 before the walks. Opportunities to book are text to Margaret (0417 323 460), and by email. We leave the Visitor Centre Car Park at 7.00 pm sharp, and require sign in and out of all activities. Sturdy footwear and appropriate warm clothing is a requirement, as is minimal torches.

The torch light disturbs the animals eyes and we use infra red torches to spot animals and others for safety. Walks are cancelled if weather is unsafe or guides are not available to run the activity on the night. 24 hours notice of this is given to all participants. If you are unable to attend please let us know by text to 0417 323 460/email to [braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com) as soon as possible before the walk.

Sightings are recorded for DELWP, and we welcome new guides to assist the Friends of Braeside Park in running these walks with training provided. We look forward to seeing you on the next night walk in June 2021.

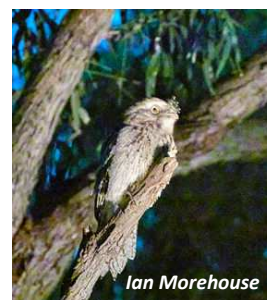
*Margaret Hunter*



**The Official Opening**



**Tim Richardson and members of FOBP Committee**



*Ian Morehouse*



## Bat Night

Hi everyone!

We got a chance to meet John Harris, a zoologist and ecologist. That night we went on this activity called 'bat night' at Braeside Park.

I never knew we had eight different species of bats in Australia. I only thought that the flying fox was the only bat in Australia. He also showed us all the eight species of bats, the sound they make, their size and their echo location graph comparison to the other bats. John also told us that there were nocturnal animals and I never knew that there were three species of gliders: one eats the sap of trees (sugar gliders), one eats bird chicks (Krefft's glider) and the other is more cuter compared to the others (savanna glider).

He also showed us there were owls although the tawny frog mouth isn't an owl (picture on the left), but the barn owl is (picture on the right). He even showed us two species of possums: the common ringtail possum, its half the size of a small cat, pointed ears, fluffy tail with end section black. The common brush tail, the same size as the ringtail but rounded ears and white tip on the tail.



We also went on a night tour and we managed to see some microbats, it was so small that unexperienced people thought that it was a moth or a huge insect that flies. We also got to see some other nocturnal animals such as possums and tawny frog

mouths. We also got to see arthropods like that huge orb-weaving spider finishing her web. Mr. Harris also used a technology to hear the sound of echo location of the microbats.

Thank you for this wonderful night, it was very interesting and enriching.

*Mateo*

## Braeside Park Bird Survey

Bird surveys in both March and April, 2021, were carried out by two teams, successfully covering all ten survey areas, five in woodland and five in Heathland.

The Woodland team in March were disappointed at the small number of species and birds that they found in those sites, but switching to the Heathland sites in April, came back full of enthusiasm, having enjoyed good views of Spotted Pardalotes, Superb Fairy-wren, and both White-plumed and Yellow-faced Honeyeaters. They were particularly glad to see, photograph and record the calls of, Spinebills.

In March, in the Heathlands, the second team's highlights were one Yellow-tailed Black-cockatoo flying down the eastern boundary of the Park, and a pair of Golden Whistlers. This team, in April, covering the woodlands, had marvellous views of a Light-morph Little Eagle chivvied by a Magpie, gliding downwind towards the Governor Road picnic area - a not uncommon species to be seen around the Park. Much more unusual, was a sighting of a single adult Crimson Rosella quietly preening in a wattle close to the western boundary of the Park, apparently oblivious of the construction noise



from new freeway. This was the first time this species was recorded in the five years of the current Bird Survey, but one was also reported, on eBird, from the Park in March of this year.



*Photos - Ian Morehouse*



A pair of Tawny Frogmouths is still in residence close to the Ranger's Office and a single bird was also found close to the Governor Road picnic area. This bird was very wary, quickly adopting its 'I'm only a stick' defense posture as his picture was taken.

The Bird Survey Group meets, on the 4th Friday of the month, at the Ranger's Office car park at 8.00am. The next Survey will be on the 28th May. Many thanks to the current team members (both observers and photographers). We are always happy to have new participants. Please contact Des Lucas (0418 173 228) to register your interest.

Pat Bingham



Photos -Graham Gill

## Residents

As autumn turns inexorably towards winter, the light decreases, the temperature drops and the fungi show their glory. This has been helped with some rains, but no major cold spells. The ghost fungi have made a comeback as have the Bolete's. Following are a few photos from the friends.



Pat Bingham



Pat Bingham



David MacLean



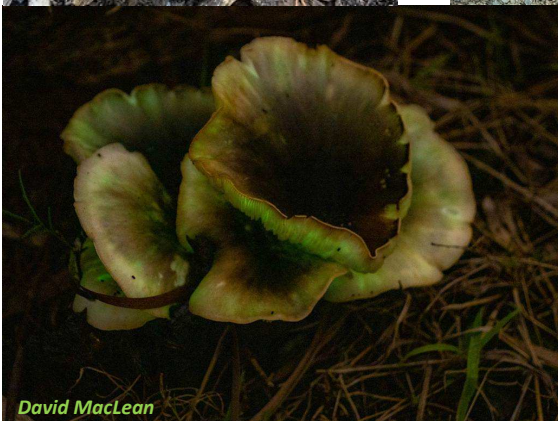
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Membership Renewal/Application Form:



*Many of our members did not renew their membership for the 2020-2021 year.*

Renew now and this will cover you for the 2021-2022 year.

### Membership Types

Corporate	\$20
Family	\$15
Ordinary Member	\$10
Student Member	\$5
Organisation Member	\$15
Concession/Pensioner	\$5

DONATION: \$.....

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Payments can be made into our bank account – **PREFERRED METHOD**

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Account no: **1008 3808** Include family name in description

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### Newsletter Contributions

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We thank the many contributors to our Facebook page for their excellent photos and stories.

If you have an item to share in future editions or have any feedback in relation to the newsletter, please contact the editor at [braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com)

### Editor's Note

This newsletter is being distributed to all current, past and non financial members for the remainder of the pandemic period. After the next AGM, only financial members will continue to receive the newsletter.

If you like this newsletter, and if you would like to support Friends of Braeside Park in their efforts to improve the park for the community and future generations, you can help by becoming a financial member.

If you have something to say or some beautiful picture or story to share, please send it to me for evaluation and possible inclusion in the next newsletter. We welcome input from all our friends.

For a family, membership (\$15) is cheaper than a meal at a fast food store, and for an individual (\$10) it is the same as coffee and a small burger.

***So, please join us.***

***David MacLean***



# Night Walks for 2021



Friends of  
Braeside Park

**The Friends of Braeside Park invite  
you to attend a night walk to view  
nocturnal animals of the park**

**On Friday Nights at 7pm**

**from April thru to September**

**on the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> June,  
2<sup>nd</sup> July, 6<sup>th</sup> August & 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Meet at Visitors Centre**

**Braeside Park, Lower Dandenong Rd, Braeside**

**Cost: Gold Coin Donation per person**

**Numbers Limited - Bookings Essential**

**Via email: [braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com)  
or contact Margaret Hunter on 0417323460**

*[www.braesideparkfriends.org.au](http://www.braesideparkfriends.org.au) for more info*

## The Friends of Braeside Park Activity Calendar for 2021

Activity	Time/Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Committee Meeting	7pm - 9pm 2nd Thursday at the Visitor's Centre	20 (Wed)	16	11	8	13	10	8	12	9	14	11	9
Community Projects Weekday - "The A Team"	9am - 12pm Wednesday's at the Park Office	*	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9
Nursery open for plant sales	10am - 12pm 3rd Sunday	*	21	21	18	16	20	18	15	19	17	21	19
Plant Propagation Community Nursery	10am - 12pm 1st Saturday & 3rd Sunday	*	6 21	6 21	3 18	1 16	5 20	3 18	7 15	4 19	2 17	6 21	4 19
Community Waterwatch Program	9:30am - 12pm 2nd Saturday Visitors Centre	*	13	13	10	8	12	10	14	11	9	13	11
Bird Observations	8am - 11am 4th Friday Park Office	22	26	26	23	28	25	23	27	24	22	26	24
Nightwalks	From Visitor's Centre 7pm	Nightwalks offered from April through to September. Gold Coin Donation per head Bookings Essential 0417323460											
Community Projects Weekends	9am - 12pm, follow the signs	*	*	*	*	*	World Environment Day Tree Planting Sunday 6th	National Tree Planting Day Saturday 25th	*	*	*	*	*
Special Activities are held throughout the year at various times		*	*	Clean Up Australia Day Sunday 7th Meet at Visitor Centre 10am 12pm	*	Significant TreeWalk led by Rangers 9:30am on 4th or 11th TBC	*	Mystery Walk Saturday 10th 12:30pm - 3:30pm with afternoon tea	AGM Sunday 8th 1pm - 3pm with afternoon tea	Breakfast with birds Sunday 19th Red Gum Picnic Area 7am - 9:30am	Spring Walk & Nursery Open Day Sunday 17th, 1pm-3:30pm	*	End of Year BBQ Wednesday 8th

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Community Nursery is Open on the Third Sunday of the Month 10:00am to 12:00 noon – Seedlings are \$2.00 each.

