



## FRIENDS OF BELAIR PARK NEWSLETTER #13, May 1989.

### THE FRIENDS OF BELAIR PARK.

The Friends group exists to provide opportunities for people, young and old, to be involved in supporting work of Park Rangers and others in maintaining the park. Because Belair is the oldest national park in South Australia it has historical and social values associated with it in addition to those related to the natural environment. All these aspects are of interest to the Friends, and for those who wish to know more about the park itself, (or the values associated with it) there are General Meetings held on the 2nd Thursday night of the month in the Belair Information Centre at 7-45 p.m.

For those people who wish to be engaged in particular work projects, these are held every 4th Saturday afternoon, meeting at the Belair Information Centre at 2 p.m., or every 4th Sunday morning (but two weeks ahead or behind the Saturday event), meeting at the Belair Information Centre at 10 a.m. There are Planning Meetings, to which all members may attend if they wish, held every third month on the 4th Thursday at 7-30 p.m. at the home of one of the committee members. If you want to join in, you will be most welcome.

On the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, there are walks in the park which last for about 2 hours, meeting at the Belair Information Centre at 2 p.m.

For further information read the various notices below, and contact any member of the Executive.

Ray. Nash	President	278 5694.
Barry Burley	Secretary	278 2782.
Paul Reece	Treasurer	373 0548.

with members Marianne Burley, Beverley McClean, John Hunwick, Ron Pitman and Godfrey Parkinson.

### RECENT EVENTS

#### 1 The first General Meeting for 1989.

This meeting held on Thursday February the 9th in the Belair Information Centre, featured Peter Brinkworth and his slides of an English National Park. All those who attended thoroughly enjoyed this event with some wonderful slides of the Yorkshire country side.

#### 2 F.O.B. working bee Saturday 18th of February.

This was with the Junior Rangers and consisted of an over night camp out in the park at the Karka Pavilion. Kath Norman entertained all during the Saturday afternoon with a story, after a hike to visit some caves. Ray Nash gave a little talk and slide show during the evening and on Sunday morning after a hike and rubbish collection back to the Information Centre after a visit to the Old Governors Residence, John Hunwick brought home to the children the damaging effect of introducing a cat amongst a wild life community via a game.

#### 3 V.I.P. working bee Sunday 5th of March.

The V.I.P.'s started to fence in an area of land above the Playground in preparation for the planting of trees.

#### 4 The General Meeting for March the 9th.

At this meeting the April walk was discussed and preparations planned. Also historic photographic locations were discussed and plans made to get records of these.



5 F.O.B. working bee Saturday 18th March.

So few members attended this that a walk was made to collect rubbish, it was to have continued the work of the V.I.P's on the fence.

6 Special Field day 25th of March.

On this Saturday afternoon a small group of the F.O.B. visited the southern Boundary fence line and photos of an old gate and various old fences taken.

7 V.I.P. working bee Sunday April 2nd.

Work on the fence was continued and some removal of dog roses done.

8 KESAB Sunday 9th of April.

During the afternoon five members of the F.O.B., several Junior Ranges and two Rangers assisted the KESAB campaign to clean up the park along Long Gully.

9 April General Meeting 13th .

Godfrey Parkinson showed slides of Nepal. Also final arrangements for the Autumn walk were made. Ranger Terry Gregory attended and made a report.

10 April 15th nature walk.

Was a success even though there was little time to fill out the questionnaire as it was hoped it would be. The Rangers were happy with the results. On this walk we had four members of the N.P.&W.L. service attend, three with members of their families. Several important lessons were learnt and the first aid kit was used to repair an ankle. Three koalas were seen during the walk.

COMING EVENTS.

1 General Meeting May the 11th.

A talk will be given on the species of Hakea by Dr Laurie Haegi of the Botanic Gardens, before the general meeting.

2 History walk Saturday May the 13th.

This will be the first of two walks led by Dene Cordes on the history of the Belair Park and will take in the western part. If you are interested then meet at the Information Centre at 2 p.m.

3 V.I.P. working bee May 28th.

This event may still be doing preparation work at the planting area or may be collecting rubbish.

4 General Meeting 8th of June.

At this meeting Godfrey Parkinson will show and talk on town life in Nepal.

5 F.O.B. working bee June 10th.

This will be weed control along the Pines Oval road.

6 V.I.P. working bee June 25th.

This also will be weed control along the Pines Oval road.

7 F.O.B. working bee July 8th.

Will be the first of several planting days in the area prepared by the V.I.P's.

8 General Meeting July 13th.

Dene Cordes will give a talk on the history of Belair Park.



9 V.I.P. working bee Sunday July 23rd.

More tree planting in the prepared area and other places.

10 Plannning Meeting July 27th.

Meet at the Burley's home at 7-30 p.m. to plan for the next three months.

11 F.o.B. working bee Saturday 5th of August.

Tree planting will continue in various areas.

12 General meeting 10th of August.

It is hoped to have one of the Rangers address the meeting.

13 V.I.P. working bee Saturday 20th. August.

Tree planting will be conducted.

14 F.o.B. working bee Saturday 2nd of September.

Trail etc. preparation for the "Professor Cleland Walk".

15 General Meeting 14th of September.

Preparations for the "Professor Cleland Walk", badges etc to be made.

16 The " Professor Cleland Walk" Sunday 17th of September.

This year will go clock wise around the park, more details in the next Newsletter.

#### HISTORY SITES

Do know of or have seen any site that is of interest historically in the park that should be recorded photographically? If you have could you tell R. Nash or B. Burley about these. Has any person old photographs of the park? Have you any knowledge of personal or other written descriptions of the park? If you have then the above persons would like to learn about these.

#### FRIENDS OF PARKS FORUM.

For 1989 will be at BUTCHERS GAP, KINGSTON S.E., August 25th to 27th.

If you plan to attend this event, have you booked or arranged your accommodation? Also please inform the secretary if you wish to attend and also the type of accommodation you plan to use. We can only attend to accommodation required at the "Shearers Quarters" if you tell us in time.

For information on accommodation and prices contact R. Nash and make it early.

Have you paid your 1989 subscriptions yet??

If you receive no more Newsletters then it may mean that you are unfinancial?



## FRIENDS OF BELAIR CALENDER FOR 1989.

Pin me up somewhere so you can keep track of events.

### FIELD DAYS AND WORKING BEES

Meet at the Sturt District Office

Volunteer In Park  
Time: 10 a.m.

Friends Group  
Time: 2 p.m.

30	April	Weed removal	13	May	History Walk # 1
28	May	Trail rubbish	10	June	Weed control
25	June	Boneseed removal	8	July	Tree planting
23	July	Tree planting	5	Aug	Tree planting
20	Aug	Tree planting	2	Sep	Plan "Cleland Walk"
17	Sep	"Cleland Walk" **	30	Sep	Weed removal
15	Oct	Weed removal	28	Oct	Boneseed removal
12	Nov	Boneseed removal	25	Nov	History Walk # 2
10	Dec	Nature walk	23	Dec	Seed collecting

Note 1 You may attend any or all if you wish, which ever day suits your needs.

\*\* Note 2 The Professor Cleland Walk will be held this year Sunday Septemember the 17th, starting at about 9-30 am from the Information Centre and will go clock wise around the park.

Note 3 If members wish special Sunday afternoon walks can be arranged.

### GENERAL MEETINGS FOR F.O.B.P. FOR 1989.

May	11th.	June	8th.	July	13th.	August	10th.
September	14th.	October	12th.	November	9th.	December	14th.

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Decmeber 19th the Park's 98th and F.O.B.P's 4th Birthday Party, at 6 pm.

### TUESDAY WALKS FOR 1989

May	9th & 23rd.	June	13th & 27th.	July	11th & 25th.
August	8th & 22nd.	September	12th & 26th.	October	10th & 24th.
November	14th & 28th.	December	12th.		

Meet at the 2 hour car park at 2 p.m. unless it is very HOT ( 32 deg or higher ) or very wet.

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### FRIENDS of ONKAPARINGA PARK FIELD DAYS.

May 28th	Working B - Weed removal at Sundews
June 25th	Tree Planting - Sundews
July 1st	Estuary Walk
July 8th	Tree Planting - Old Noarlunga
June 25th	Tree Planting - 6000 trees at "Sundews"
	10 am to 4 pm.
August 13th	Tree Planting - Chapel Hill
October 14th	"Beehives" to Chapel Hill Walk - all day Hard walk

### FRIENDS OF STURT GORGE

June 18th Tree planting - Starlight crescent 10 am.