

Bushcare Report for February 2022

In February 2022 the Friends of Belair National Park Volunteers worked a total of 231.5 hours. One session was lost due to hot weather and a Total Fire Ban for the Mt Lofty Ranges, on Tuesday February 8th.

- 110 hours were worked in VMU 27, removing mainly Boneseed, Broom and Thistles.
- 34 hours were worked in VMU 28. This VMU is an Adopt-a-block for the Boulderstone family, and we were impressed by the impact that their efforts, and a prescribed burn, have made in this area.
- 56 hours have been worked in VMU 29. Work continues in this area which has good biodiversity, including several Blue Devil (*Eryngium ovinum*) plants. Mainly Boneseed and Broom have been removed.
- 31.5 hours were worked in VMU 48. This is a result of new daylight-saving time evening bushcare sessions instigated by Catherine Miles. Weeds tackled include Blackberry, Broom and South African daisy.

Under our new Bushcare Coordinator arrangements, Craig Boulderstone leads all Tuesday sessions, Catherine Miles leads the first Friday of the month session and all evening bushcare sessions, and the remaining Fridays are led by Barb Raine. Peter Raine takes all the Saturday sessions. So far this sharing of the workload is going very well, and all the assistance given is much appreciated. It is notable too that our groups are growing, with numbers of volunteers attending active sessions increasing.

Thank you to all concerned!

Barb Raine, Craig Boulderstone, Catherine Miles and Pete Raine

Bushcare Coordinators

Friends of Belair National Park Inc.

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