

## Bushcare Report for October 2018

In October the Friends of BNP contributed a total of 176.25 hours.

- In VMU 43 we spent 86 hours removing mainly Sollya and Erica.
- In VMU 16 we spent 16 hours removing Cape tulip.
- In VMU 30 the Saturday group spent 10 hours removing boneseed.
- In VMU 11, on “Come and Try Bushcare” day, 19.75 hours were spent removing boneseed, broom, olive and blackberry.
- With a Corporate group of 11 people from Origin Energy we spent a total of 44.5 hours, 15 in VMU 34 and 29.5 in VMU 35, removing broom. As well as having a big impact on the weed front in this area important for the Leafy Greenhood (*Pterostylis cucullata*), the day proved a very effective fundraiser for our group.
- Unfortunately 2 bushcare sessions had to be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Our plan is to complete work in the VMUs started. We have gone as far as previously worked in VMU 43. We are currently completing a sweep through VMU 11, where our Volunteer Support officer, Sophie Harrison, who is replacing Kat Hill at present, visited and worked with us on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. We will go on next to finish the task started in VMUs 34 and 35, on Saddle Hill Road.

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November we will have a visit from 40 sixteen year-old students from St. John’s Grammar School, and we plan to sweep for boneseed through VMU 9.

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The photo shows some people from the Origin Energy Corporate group working on the hillside of VMU 34, removing broom on 30 October 2018.