

# INDIGENOTES

Remember the Rokeby Hills development (*Indigenotes* 10(10) 1997); have a read of an alternative view on page 8.

## From the Editor:

If you thought you missed the January edition of Indigenotes you didn't... Your editor has had a hard time adapting back into the editing lifestyle after a hard holiday and this is the first issue of the year.

There's info about the Aizoaceae family of plants, an alternative point to the Rokeby Hills development story published last October, a story about a crisis of pollinators from the U.S. and lots of bits and pieces. Enjoy!

We still need a Coming Events editor!!! So, any takers for the job? You can live anywhere around Melbourne; we'll figure out a way for the material to flow around. It's a great way to get an appreciation for all of the activity out there. Please ring the editor.

Keep all the other information, newsletters, stories, articles, events, flowing as well.....

And I can always use help in general with Indigenotes, so give me a ring if you want to help!

**Lincoln Kern**

## **IFFA Treasurers Report for the year ended 30 June 1997**

The attached accounts disclose a small operating loss for the year ended 30 June 1997. The result includes a provision for depreciation of \$975 indicating a small cash surplus for the year. Some of this surplus has been used to upgrade some of our computer software and hardware.

Memberships have declined slightly since July 1996, but of concern is the number of members whose subscriptions are falling behind. This is reflected by the decrease in membership subscriptions and donations received from the previous year by \$1,688. We currently have approximately 500 members who receive Indigenotes each month, slightly down on the same time last year.

In order to check your current membership status, could you please check your mailing label as it has the "date paid to" marked on it. Your attention to keeping your membership paid up is appreciated, as this reduces the time taken to administer the association.

Many thanks to those members who write notes with their subscriptions, it makes the task that little bit more interesting and it is good to receive feedback. Also, many thanks to those of you who make donations to the association. It is greatly appreciated and assists greatly in helping to meet costs.

**Neil Gardiner**  
**Membership Secretary and Treasurer**  
**15 January 1998**











# Rokeby Hills Parkland or Bushland: The Real Story

## Editor's Note:

Remember the article about "a new breed of developer in Tasmania?" The author described the success in "delivering gains for conservation and the community" through a consultative process undertaken by a developer who owned an important piece of bush in Hobart, Rokeby Hills. The small consultative committee worked out "the best compromise possible" but many locals disagreed. They expressed a different point of view to the Clarence City Council and the local public and they wrote to *Indigenotes* to make sure we knew their views as well. I suspect the conservationists on the consultative committee felt they were doing their best to minimise the bad impacts of an inevitable development. The biggest question is: would they have been more effective by opposing it as others did?

## An interesting experiment?

1. I refer to an article in *Tasmanian Conservationist* Oct. 1997 by Peter McGlone (p16) [repeated in *Indigenotes*, 10(10), October 1997]. It is regrettable that this article was published, the opinions were highly debatable from beginning to end. The solution was deplorable for it could only destroy completely "the best patch of bush in the area" (his words), ie. "20 houses" within the 119 ha. How could this ensure "maximum retention of bushland?" And to suggest "other developers learn from this experience." I can only pray it doesn't pass the Council - hopefully they will see it for what it is: "an interesting experiment" and a stupid one that won't work.

2. Recently I got a copy of "this interesting experiment", ie. the DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Rokeby Hills Parkland (note: not Bushland) prepared for the Rokeby Hills Reference Group which included Michael Lynch and Peter McGlone. Surely this creates a conflict of interest - your members "hopping into bed" with a developer to help him achieve his only aim: "profit". They should have been defending the hills.

I have a copy of Michael Lynch's contribution to the Droughty Point Development Plan - one could not believe it could be written by the same person. I can't understand his change of heart - in this he says: 1) no houses above the 75 metre contour and 2) no houses on the ridgeline. Now he recommends 20 houses - with all the destruction "to minimise fire hazard" (this is a very fire prone area).

These hills are not suitable for housing. They represent a small but diverse piece of dry grassy woodland. Malwood have hundreds of other blocks in the area - these should give him enough profit without this piece of "vandalism".

**Dorothy Keats**

## Press Release: 20 Oct. 1997

The Tranmere-Clarence Plains Land & Coastcare Group (formerly the Rokeby Hills Landcare Group) is not a member of the Reference Group mentioned in recent articles on Housing in the Rokeby Hills - a member of our Group has attended as an observer but this in no way denotes approval. Our Group has voted not to support houses on the Rokeby Hills.

The Reference Group referred to was elected by, and from, a larger group of invitees selected from a list of "stakeholders" in the area, supplied to the developers by Council. Those elected persons - Michael Lynch (Tasmanian Conservation Trust), Peter McGlone (Threatened Species Network), Kaye McFarlane (from the currently non-active Clarence Plains Information Network), Jeff Hardwick (Eastern Shore Ramblers Walking Group) were joined by Malwood representatives Rod Scurrah, Lesley Gulson and Terry Cromer.

The developers required a minimum of 20 houses on the Rural and Public Open Space land of the Hills, and the reference group advised them how best to do this. Contrary to the houses being dotted throughout the hills, the majority of sites are adjacent to the existing ridgeline track.

That the development will "also provide Malwood with an adequate return" seems to be the most salient point of the article. Given that one of the justifications for this development is the degradation that has been occurring, unauthorised vehicle access should have been prevented. The Tranmere-Clarence Plains Land & Coastcare Group does not wish to see further degradation of the Hills, assisted by the introduction of housing, more vehicles and their associated problems.

# Snowy Willows

By Eric Ward

Returning from an exhilarating day visiting grassy remnants in Gippsland I overheard Jason in the seat behind talking about floods along the Snowy River. I turned round to challenge him - "You're too young to have seen one" says I. Well, after being corrected for my ageism, I was reminded that tributaries downstream from the Jindabyne dam do bring floods to the Snowy every few years.

I should have remembered, for the loveliest holiday I have ever had, was camping one Xmas twenty or so years ago with friends along the Snowy where the highway had been washed out. A lovely quiet paradise it was with no passing traffic. On the great drifts of sand along the river grew wattles and bottlebrushes. Between the rounded granite rocks, where I stood by a swimming hole, slipped a huge Brown Snake. On the slopes behind grew the rain shadow gums and Murray Pines of Banjo Patterson's ballads as a kingfisher waited on a dead tree. My primitive efforts at playing Bach on the flute were returned as echoes from across the river.

"What do you think of the idea of doing a Colorado on the Snowy" I asked. (You may recall reports of the much improved health of the Colorado River following a deliberate release of a flood from the Boulder Dam.)

"That would only lead to the spread of more Willows as branches torn off lodge on the banks down stream" came the answer.

My thoughts turned to an IFFA talk given by Geoff Carr in 1996. Then he predicted the Snowy would die from the effects of the dozen or so species of Willows and hybrids, which are spreading in the Alps and along our rivers.

Like other winter deciduous trees Willows have a cycle completely at odds with Australia's flora and fauna. Their heavy foliage makes the streamsides and water dark and cold in Summer and the sudden drop of leaves in Winter drains water of oxygen, as their decay begins effecting stream life.

Few benthic organisms can survive under the willows and indigenous streamside plants like the Silver Wattle disappear as seedlings die because of the poisons in the Willow leaves.

"Eureka!" I thought as I heard Geoff describe the unusual chemistry of Willows. How could an organism evolving on a diet of Aspirin have any interest in the Australian flora?

With the hundreds of insects and other pathogens which must attack Willows in their natural, northern hemisphere, environment, surely introducing a few here should put the Willows into decline and save the Snowy?

Recently I've heard that a Sawfly is killing Willows in New Zealand and that Willows along the Merri Creek in Melbourne were planted from smuggled cuttings tucked in the socks of an immigrant from Europe.

As I travelled back that day my eagerness to read *Indigenotes* grew. The cover with a photo of exotic trees along the Snowy must portend a story of good news.

Alas, back at work that night, I had to make do with reading the Victorian National Parks Association September edition of *Park Notes*. To my surprise it had an interesting story about floods along the Snowy before and after its damnation at Jindabyne. The discussion described the adverse effect of reduced flows on the river's fauna and called for increased environmental flows and a public enquiry to determine flows. Invasion of the riparian zone by Willows and Blackberries was recognised but Jason's concern of Willow spread, with greater flooding, was not addressed. I could barely wait to get home to *Indigenotes*.

Surprise! When I do read *Indigenotes* the identical story to *Park Notes* is there!

No entomologist was writing saying how to bring in Willow Sawfly larvae in our socks from New Zealand. There was no news that testing protocols for introducing organisms to attack environmental weeds could be by passed because the chemistry of Willow eaters does not permit them to attack Australian plants or that none have been known to attack Australian plants planted or naturalised in Eurasia.

**Lets have some answers to Willow control with the introduction of biological agents which will reduce their vigour and allow indigenous plants to compete. Otherwise attempts at saving the Snowy may only spread death along the river as it is made wild again.**

## Further Reading:

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# Organ Pipes on the Campaspe in Danger

In 1982 the Geological Conservation Society published *Geological Features of the National Estate in Victoria*. The publication identifies that the organ pipes at the Organ Pipes National Park are not the only such formation, as there is another on the Campaspe, at Barfold Gorge, just west of Kyneton. There are two substantial waterfalls, two large tessellated pavements and three walls of organ pipe formations, one of them much larger than the Keilor site: about 300 metres long and 80 metres high. It is in a river gorge and all on private property. It has been a favorite destination of bushwalking groups as the vegetation is pristine and the scenery spectacular.

Andrew Dennis recently went out to visit the site, with two local residents, took a roll of film and came back much impressed with the size and quality of the basalt formations - several pipe walls and two pavements perhaps a hectare in extent. The surrounding vegetation is in beautiful condition on one side of the Campaspe, and much trampled by stock on the other side.

The owner has applied to Metcalfe Shire Council for a permit to quarry the basalt formation. The permit was rejected by the Council. The decision is being appealed in the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and is to be heard in February. A campaign is to be mounted to defend the volcanic formations. The Council is opposing the appeal and the Environment Defenders Office is coordinating the opposition to the appeal. The Friends of Organ Pipes have been asked to help.

The Friends of Organ Pipes report a further visit to the site: We left the car at a bridge over the Campaspe and walked about 3 km to the beginning of the gorge, then rock-hopped down to the valley, past Queen's Falls with its little pavement, then the much larger Mitchell's Falls with its huge pavement, and on down to the series of walls of organ pipes, the last really spectacular, about 300 metres of a 60 metre high wall, so long that not all of it can be seen when one is down in the valley. There is a fine view across the gentle slope to the west. Vegetation in the gorge is very impressive: lots of native grasses, many Bulbine lilies, Flax lilies, Bluebells and Chamomile Sunray daisies flowering, many huge old Red Gums with large hollows, many of them occupied by bee swarms. The down side was a large population of Briar Rose, Gorse, one slope densely covered with Artichoke Thistle and many willows along the river. One slope a sea of waving oats and barley. Much work is needed to clear weeds, both woody and grassy, but overall the flora of the valley is in very good condition.

Source: Friends of Organ Pipes National Park Newsletter No. 75 Dec 1997

## Snippets:

### AQIS Upgrades Weed Risk Assessment

AQIS - the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service - has of August 1 formally begun to use a new system for assessing the weed potential of plants proposed for importation into Australia. The new system, called Weed Risk Assessment (WRA), was originally developed in Western Australia by Paul Pheloung with substantial input from weed workers across Australia. It has been fine-tuned for use as AQIS's primary tool for working out the risk of a new plant becoming a weed of commercial or environmental importance.

WRA works by looking at a plant's biological attributes to determine whether the species "has what it takes" to survive and thrive away from a farm or greenhouse. Most plants can be categorised as weeds or non-weeds on the basis of how easily they reproduce, their noxious characteristics, climate preferences and whether they have a history as a weed elsewhere. Any plants that don't fit those categories immediately are prohibited until they've been assessed in further detail and either found acceptable or rejected. By using the weed risk assessment system AQIS will ensure that importers will still have access to a wide range of useful but also safe new plants.

AQIS is also using the WRA for a major revision of its current prohibited plant list, with funding from the National Weeds Strategy launched on 20 June 1997 by Federal Primary Industries and Energy Minister John Anderson, and Federal Minister for the Environment Senator Robert Hill. The use by AQIS of the WRA is a substantial input into Objective 1.1 of the National Weeds Strategy - to prevent the introduction of new plant species with weed potential.

AQIS is encouraging potential importers to help in the assessment process by using the WRA to assess new plants' weed potential before seeking AQIS's approval to import a particular plant.

'Importation of plants and plant products' section of AQIS's Internet site at:

<http://www.dpie.gov.au/aqis/homepage/imadvice/implant/implant.html>

or contact:

Tom Parnell (02) 6272 5886 or email

[tom.parnell@dpie.gov.au](mailto:tom.parnell@dpie.gov.au)

Source: Weed Watch, The External Newsletter of the Cooperative Research Centre for Weed Management Systems Issue No. 7 July-October 1997

### Stationers looking after Victoria

Throughout Victoria community groups are helping to beautify their local railway station. Projects can vary from a

small planting in flower boxes to large landscaping projects. Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria conducts the **Stationers - Right On Track** program where assistance is given to communities to complete a project. There are now over 65 stations in metropolitan Melbourne who have joined the program. One of the best examples of community work can be seen at the Alphington station, [where remnant Red Gums in front of the station had the original grassy woodlands reconstructed around them.]

Recently the program was launched into regional Victoria and many more groups have expressed interest in participating in the program. The nature of the work done at any station depends on the groups' plans and aspirations.

If you or your group are interested in joining other Victorians committed to beautifying our state, contact Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria on (03) 9682 9099.

## Victorian Coastal Strategy Released

The Victorian Coastal Strategy, prepared by the Victorian Coastal Council after public consultation over the past two years, has been released by the State government. The Strategy, that will be the guide for coastal use and development throughout the State, has been modified considerably from the draft document released last year.

The vision and long term outcomes for the Victorian coast are presented together with priority actions grouped on four central themes (in order of priority) - to sustain, protect, direct activities and develop Victoria's coast.

The document identifies the roles of each agency on the coast, thereby aiming to coordinate implementation of the Strategy across the State. The Coastal Council will now be responsible for ensuring that lead agencies progress the implementation of priority actions. The progress of implementation will be reported by the Council in its annual report to Parliament.

All individuals involved with the use and management of Victoria's marine and coastal environments should acquaint themselves with the Strategy, and seek clarification on specific aspects of the Strategy with the Council. Free Copies are available from Dianne Moore (03) 9412 4256.

Source: *Victorian Regional Ripples*, Newsletter of the Marine and Coastal Community Network Summer '97

## Roles of native grassland on farms

A program is underway to examine the economics of managing native grasslands on eight farms across south-eastern Australia. The two-year project funded by the Land and Water Resources Research and Development Corporation in Conjunction with Environment Australia and NRE, began in August 1996 and will be completed in

1998. It takes a whole farm approach to analysing farm management options, including management of native grasslands, changing stocking and establishment of new pastures. Preliminary reports have been prepared for most of the case farms, in north east and north central Victoria, NSW plains and central tablelands. Further information can be obtained from Jim Crosthwaite, University of Melbourne ph (03) 9344 5008, fax (03) 9344 5570, email [j.crosthwaite@agriculture.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:j.crosthwaite@agriculture.unimelb.edu.au). Source: *Grass Clippings* Dec 1997 No.6

## Lake Bolac Biodiversity

The Bolac Landcare Group recently organised a Lake Bolac Biodiversity meeting, with the aim of connecting remnant vegetation and increasing the biodiversity of the area. Staff of NRE Ballarat provided maps and information to assist planning for tree planting and agroforestry, without adversely affecting significant roadside grassland vegetation. A draft map has now been produced highlighting all valuable remnant grasslands and other vegetation that needs protection and/or restoration, while concentrating agroforestry treeplanting and indigenous planting to already disturbed sites. Incorporating input from Ararat Shire, the local Lion's Club, Landcare group, CFA and NRE, the final map will be used as a guide for community action over the next ten years. For further information contact NRE Ballarat on (03) 5333 6782.

Source: *Grass Clippings* Dec 1997 No.6

## Books/Resources:

### Plant Native

### Television Programs

Did you miss the series shown on Channel 31?

Then you can buy copies from the producer, Michael Cook, as VHS tapes.

1. **Cranbourne Bushlands** with Mark Jenkins
  2. **Victorian Indigenous Nurseries Co-op** with Judy Allen
  3. **Gould League**
  4. **Bird Tagging** with Alan Reid/**Roger's Reserve** with Rodger Elliot
  5. **Rodger Elliot in his garden**
  6. **Wetlands** at Coolart/Balnarring Primary School/Forest Hill Secondary School
- 1 Tape for \$20,  
2 tapes for \$30 and  
6 tapes for \$70  
(each tape is 30 min duration).

Order through:

Michael Cook, 35 Aurisch Ave., Glen Waverley 3150

Phone (03) 9803 2215

# Coming events:

For IFFA events see back cover

There is a lot happening out there but we haven't had time to include the events here. We still need a coming events editor to get this section back up to scratch!

## Conferences/Workshops/ Talks

**Feb, Fri 20 *Managing Wetlands for Wildlife*** presented as part of La Trobe University Wildlife Reserves Summer Program. For rural landholders, land managers, conservationists, students and naturalists. 9.30am to 4.30pm at the Wildlife Reserves Visitors Centre, La Trobe University, Ring Road opposite the western entrance to carpark 7 (Melways 19 H5). Cost \$60, \$50 concession. Contact Wildlife Reserves Short Courses, La Trobe University, Bundoora (03) 9479 2871, email [a.daniell@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:a.daniell@latrobe.edu.au), homepage <http://www.latrobe.edu.au/www/wildlife>

**Feb, Sun 22 and Sun March 22 *Natural History of Gresswell Forest Nature Reserve*** presented as part of La Trobe University Wildlife Reserves Summer Program. Gresswell Forest is one of Melbourne's largest River Red Gum woodland habitats. Learn about ecology of woodland plant and animal communities. 9.30am to 12.30pm. Meet at the Greenwood Drive entrance (Melways 20 C3). Cost Adults \$10 Children \$5. Contact as above.

**Feb, Thurs 26 *The "Nassella" Workshop*** presented by Weed Science Society of Victoria and Victoria University, St Albans Campus. 8am to 5pm at VUT St Albans, McKechnie St Entrance. Contact Weed Science Society (03) 9576 2949; Ros Shepherd (03) 9783 6876; email Kate Blood [K.Blood@nre.vic.gov.au](mailto:K.Blood@nre.vic.gov.au).

**Feb - July 1998 *Environmental Industry Training Program*** offered by Greening Australia in conjunction with VCAH Burnley and the Roadside Conservation Advisory Committee (RCAC). Training sessions are designed to meet the needs of people employed in the conservation and land management industry, or those interested in doing so. Contact Mary Trigger GAV (03)9457 3024, email [gavic@vicnet.net.au](mailto:gavic@vicnet.net.au).

**March, Thurs 5 *Green Wedge Environment Seminar Series - Powerful Owls*** A series of talks held on the first Thursday of each month, organised by Friends of Warrandyte State Park. 7.30pm at the Warrandyte Community Centre (Melways 23 F11), free entry, supper provided. Contact Alistair Trill 9722 1518.

**March, Fri 5 *Frogs in your Backyard*** by Dr Graeme Watson presented by Keilor Plains SGAP. 8pm at St Stephen's Uniting Church, cnr Flora & Church Sts, Keilor. Contact Marilyn Anderson 9336 7754.

**March 15-29 *Mullum Mullum Festival*** Opening day (Sat 15) is in The Gorge Country from 12.30pm at Schwerkolt Cottage, Deep Creek Rd, Nunawading Melways 49 D7. From 1.20pm walks along the Mullum Ck with Bruce Fuhrer, Dr Terry Coates and Geoff Carr. Sat 21st is at the Creek source in Croydon/Ringwood. Sun 22nd is in the open valley of the Mullum Ck Linear Park East Doncaster/Donvale and Sun 29 at Tikilara Park Templestowe/Warrandyte. Contact Les Smith (03) 9874 2641 or Cameron Taylor (03) 9625 2340.

**March, Thurs 19 *Adaptive management: linking ecology to small parks conservation***. First in a series of one day workshops running from March to May 1998 - Conservation Management in Small Parks and Reserves - offered by Victoria University of Technology in collaboration with Greening Australia Victoria's Industry Training Program. 9am to 5pm at VUT, St Albans Campus, Building 6, Room 6.215, Melways 25 K3, Cost \$125, includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea. Contact Mary Trigger (GA) 9457 3024 or Dr Colin Hocking (VUT) on 9365 2322.

**March, Sat 21 *Friends Seminar*** Focus on weeds - specifically environmental weeds including appropriate herbicide use and legal aspects. Other topics will include climate and other changes affecting the distribution of birds, Friends success stories and the Best Friends Awards. Darcy Duggan will be the keynote speaker. Burnley Horticultural College, cost \$8, tea and coffee provided, BYO lunch. Contact VNPA 9650 8296.

**March, Sun 22 *Landfest 98*** A family fun day in the environment, featuring the theme 'Living with El Nino' which highlights water conservation. Includes landcare and environmental activities, demonstrations, environmental theatre, over 50 stalls, displays, food, wine and music. 10am to 4 pm at Creswick Landcare Centre, Daylesford Rd, Creswick. Contact Trish Kelvin (03) 5345 2200.

**March, Fri 27 *Slide show and talk about Galada Tamboore and the grasslands***, including aboriginal archaeology by Annette Xiberas of the Wurundjeri. 7.30pm at the Campbellfield Community Centre, 81 Somerset Rd, Campbellfield. Contact Friends of Merri Creek 9480 5492.

## Excursions and field trips

**March, Sun 8 *Mapping Survey*** with Friends of Sherbrooke Forest. Meet at the Sherbrooke Forest Main Entrance Picnic Ground (Melways 75 G2) at 9.30am. Bring compass, pencil and clipboard. Contact Vivien Freshwater 9754 3093.

## Restoration Activities

**March, Sun 1 *Major Litter Blitz*** for Clean Up Australia Day at Rushall Station, North Fitzroy and Heidelberg Rd, Clifton Hill from 9.30am. Contact Friends of Merri Creek 9480 5492.

For Australian Trust for Conservation Volunteers activities, contact ATCV: (03) 5333 1483

For Parks Victoria Activities contact the Hotline on 13 1963

For those interested in a range of volunteer activities run by Birds Australia please contact (03) 9882 2622

A large range of activities such as bushwalks and "Friends" activities are published by the Victorian National Parks Association in their newsletter. Contact VNPA on (03) 9650 8296.

Visitors/participants are welcome to all events listed in Indigenotes.

Thank you to all the people who contact us regarding on-coming events their groups are organising. If you wish to have your events covered, or you can see corrections that need attention, please contact Lincoln Kern or IFFA's mailing address.

# IFFA activities:

## **IFFA (Vic) Meeting:**

Tuesday 24 February 1998

## **Annual General Meeting**

**Venue: Yarra Bend Park**

## **Rotunda**

(enter from Heidelberg Rd., just beyond the Yarra Bend Golf Course Carpark on the loop, Melways 44 H4)

**Please come along to discuss what IFFA will do this year... We need to...?:**

- elect officers
- initiate a good speaker program
- get a committee going to make submissions and write letters on conservation issues
- get more people involved in *Indigenotes*
- any more ideas...

## **SPIFFA**

Public meetings are on the first Monday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Waterfall Gully Community Centre, corner of Bayview Rd. and Nixon St., Rosebud.  
Contact: Jon Greening (03) 5985 5561.

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Coming Events:

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