

INDIGENOTES

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July Meeting

Tuesday 25 July. Speakers from various fauna groups - The Fauna Survey Group of the FNCV, the Victorian Entomological Society, Native Fish Australia, and a marine group will give short talks on their group's activities. Please bring something to show and tell us about, as we are determined this month to set aside enough time. 8 p.m. on the 3rd floor, Ross House, 247 Flinders Lane, Melbourne (between Swanston and Elizabeth Streets). To get in, be on time or yell loudly as the doorbell doesn't ring on the third floor.

August committee meeting

6 p.m. Tuesday 1 August, at the Paper Moon restaurant, Spensely St, Clifton Hill. (100 m west of Fenwick Street).

August Meeting

Tuesday 29 August, at 8 p.m.

Articles: Contributions to Indigenotes should be sent to the editor, Tony Faithfull, 10 Alsace Street, Brunswick East, 3057 Tel (03) 3860264. The deadline for the August issue is 4 August. See inside for instructions to authors.

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(The editor is taking a holiday, so this edition of Indigenotes is skinnier than usual)

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Snippets:

Gossip and jobs

Peter Tucker starts soon as the Assistant Ranger at Darebin Parklands.

Tony Faithfull starts soon as the Merri Creek Management Committee's Revegetation and Work Crew Supervisor and will be advertising for **6 revegetators** in late July. Further information 4794679.

Yarra Bend Park Trust is looking for a new **bushland manager** - Contact Darcy Duggan on 481 0866 (Wednesdays)

Bushland Weeds Day

The Weed Science Society and the Environmental Weeds Working Group are organizing a workshop to combine theory and practice in an examination of the methods and practical problems in controlling weeds and re-establishing native or desirable vegetation. No date has yet been set, although late August or September is possible. More details in next Indigenotes.

Protection of Public Lands Coalition

The PPLC was formed in January 1987 in response to information that public land in the Mont Park area in the northern suburbs of Melbourne would be sold by the State Government. PPLC is an umbrella organisation, formed to give a single voice on this issue to members of Northern suburbs conservation groups, including Warringal (Heidelberg) Conservation Society, Diamond Valley Wilderness Society, LaTrobe University Wildlife Reserves Support Group, Macleod Progress Association, Concerned Residents of the VC Estate (Macleod), Riverland Conservation Society of Heidelberg, The Bundoora Action Group, and many more local associations and individuals.

The PPLC, like the groups it represents, is not affiliated with any political party. Its function is simply to increase public awareness on this issue and to find out and attempt to influence the proposals of government. The PPLC was overwhelmingly endorsed by a public meeting held on 9th June, 1987, attended by 250 - 300 people, most of whom were concerned local residents.

The PPLC can be contacted through its coordinator on (03) 479 2871 or (03) 480 6852

Thanks

To Max Dean, currently very ill. We admire your tremendous strength of purpose. We thank you for the inspiration you have given through your foresight and your contribution to the preservation of bushland remnants like those at Galatea Point. The enthusiasm you have given others will ensure that your projects will live on and grow.

Many have benefitted from your wisdom.

- Dimi Bouzalas and Tony Faithfull on behalf of the members of IFFA.

Instructions to Authors:

Indigenotes articles are not refereed, but the editor reserves the right to amend articles submitted. Please supply a contact address and phone number with material for publication.

The format for material to be submitted is flexible. Ideally it would be supplied in IBM ascii format on 360K 5 1/4 inch or 720K 3 1/2 inch floppy disks, accompanied by a hard copy printout, as this minimizes my work and the chances of typographical errors. Typed material is acceptable, and so is handwritten material, as long as it is clearly written and not in red ink.

The deadline for material is printed on the front page. Please respect this deadline as this makes a difficult task easier.

Memberships:

**IFFA membership costs
\$40 for groups, or
\$20 for individuals and families.**

Membership includes 11 issues of Indigenotes per year.

Memberships should be sent to
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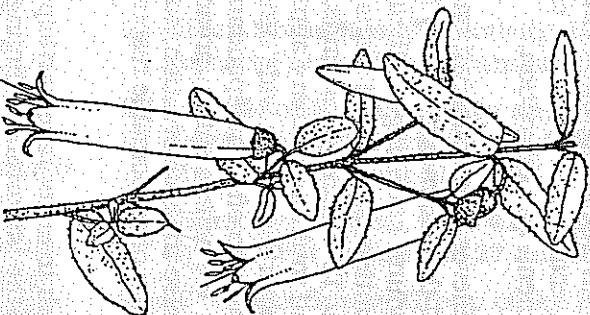
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For more information about IFFA, contact the Secretary, Michele Arundell, on (03) 267 4173 (home), or (03) 650 9424 (work).

For more information about the Journal, send the form to Graeme Lorimer, 42 Gratten Road, Montrose 3765.

Introducing:

ADVANCES IN CONSERVATION

a new journal
coming soon
from the
Indigenous Flora and Fauna
Association.

ADVANCES IN CONSERVATION
will cover news, reviews
and scientific articles
on nature conservation
and restoration.

Unlike existing
journals in Australia,
we are focusing on the
techniques and practicalities of
fieldwork and management.

Our first issue is scheduled for early
in 1990, and we are searching for
contributors, subscribers and
advertisers.

ADVANCES IN CONSERVATION

will cover

- * News items and reports of projects
- * Scientific articles (theoretical and applied)
- * Literature summaries and reviews
- * Philosophical discussion and editorial comment concerning indigenous flora, fauna and ecosystems around Australia, including their
- * biology
- * ecology
- * appraisal and monitoring
- * preservation and restoration.

We aim to make high quality original artwork a feature.

International standards of integrity and quality will be maintained. Each scientific article will be refereed by two experts; other articles will be handled by the General Editor under guidelines from an Editorial Board.

There will be two issues per year of approximately 40 pages each, directed at all people who work in the topics mentioned above, including the many volunteers.

What is IFFA?

The Indigenous Flora and Fauna Association (IFFA) is an incorporated organisation dedicated to the conservation of the indigenous Australian biota. Its members, amateurs, professionals and organisations, have diverse backgrounds including botany, zoology, ecology, horticulture, environmental management, and education.

The organization believes that conservation of plants, animals and the communities they form, must be based on sound knowledge of their biology, ecology, distribution, status and management requirements. To achieve these ends, we aim to foster a broad multidisciplinary approach, bringing together expertise from a wide range of professions which are too often independent and narrowly focussed. We believe this approach is necessary to maximise the conservation, social and economic benefits of responsible resource management.

In particular we wish to encourage participation and involvement in the important emerging disciplines of conservation and restoration biology, habitat reconstruction, revegetation and the active management of vegetation and fauna - on public and private lands.

It is a primary objective of the Association to research, collect and disseminate information concerning conservation matters to relevant agencies, groups and individuals through our well respected newsletter *Indigenotes* and through a new journal. We also aim to participate in debate in environmental issues and help in the formation of conservation policies at the local, state or national levels.

The resources of IFFA are available to both the public and private sectors of the community to help establish appropriate conservation and management strategies.

If you are interested, please complete and return the response form on the rear of this panel.

If you would like to contribute news, a scientific report, artwork etc., tick the appropriate box and we will send you all the relevant details.

There is also a box to request information on advertising rates and the ethical requirements to be met.

Please tell others about the journal: we want to hear from anyone interested.

No page charges will be made.

The first year's subscription is expected to be \$15.

Coming Events:

JULY

- 22 Saturday, 1.30 p.m. **Moorooduc Quarry Reserve project day.** Mt. Eliza Association for Environmental Care. Meet at picnic ground, Two Bays Road, Mel 106 A7. Anne Read (03) 787 2034.
- 23 Sunday. **Nunawading Indigenous Plants Project.** Propagation in nursery. Nunawading Horticultural Centre, 82 Jolimont Rd. Forest Hill, (back of hall). Brian Crouch 878 5053.
- 23 **Moorooduc Quarry Reserve** project day - MEAFEC. End of Kunyung Rd., Mel 105, C1. Anne Read (03) 787 2034.
- 25 Tuesday, 8 p.m. **IFFA meeting.** For details see front cover.
- 26 Wednesday. **Galatea Point** working bee - Friends of the Yarra. Mel. 2D, D7. Contact Judy 347 2252.
- 27 Thursday, 10 a.m. **Friends of Warrandyte State Park** activity day. Guided by Ranger Staff. Main emphasis on propagation techniques. Bring lunch. Contact Ian or Margaret Burke (03) 844 1060.
- 30 Sunday, 10 a.m. La Trobe University Wildlife Reserves Support Group. **Campus Reserve:** construction of bush information shelter and barbeque. Also La Trobe University Open Day: tours will be conducted by Reserves Group. Contact George Paras (03)479 2871.
- 30 Sunday, 10 a.m. F. O. Warrandyte S.P. **Talk by Keith McDougall on grasses.** Followed by a yabble survey and gourmet damper for the kids. Bring propagating gear. I. or M. Burke (03) 844 1060.

AUGUST

- 1 Tuesday, 8 p.m. Fauna Survey Group of The Field Naturalists Club of Victoria. Meeting. Dr. Clive Minton - **Studies of waders (shorebirds) in Australia.** The Astronomer's Residence, Birdwood Ave., Sth Yarra. Julian Grusovin (03) 543 8627.
- 2 Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. **East Gippsland Coalition introduction night.** The Environment Centre, 1st floor, 247 Flinders Lane. E.G.C. (03) 654 4833.
- 3 Thursday, 10 a.m. **F.O. Warrandyte S.P. activity day.** For details see 27 July.

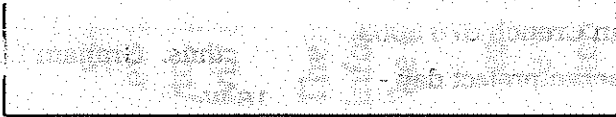
- 6 Sunday, 9a.m. Knox Environment Society workshop. **Fern propagation**, specifically local species. At Operation Revegetation Community Nursery, rear of Ferntree Gully High School, Dorset Road. Park at rear of school. Contact Chris Rowles (03) 754 8727.
- 10 Thursday, 10 a.m. **F.O. Warrandyte S.P.** activity day. For details see 27 July.
- 12 Saturday, 10 a.m. **F.O. Dandenong Ranges N.P. activity day.** Eradication of *Agapanthus*. Graham Barstow (03) 758 6935 (A.H.).
- 16 Wednesday, 7.30 E. G.C. Information night - **East Gippsland Pulpmill.** See 2 August.
- 17 Thursday, 10 a.m. **F.O. Warrandyte S.P.** activity day. For details see 27 July.
- 20 Sunday, **Nunawading Indigenous Plants Project.** (see 23 July)
- 20 **Green Links Box Hill** activity day. For details contact Fred or Fiona Cumming (03) 898 4808.
- 23 **Friends of Merri** activity day. For further details contact David Taylor 489 0507 or Margaret Gottstein 419 1835.
- 24 Thursday, 10 a.m. **F.O. Warrandyte S.P.** activity day. For details see 27 July.
- 26-27 Fauna Survey Group of the FNCV campout. **Water-rat study, MMBW Farm, Werribee.** Julian Grusovin (03) 543 8627.
- 2 Sunday, 10 a.m. La Trobe University Wildlife Reserves Support Group. **Gresswell Forest project day.** Weeding, especially *Acacia saligna* along the Watsonia boundary. Bring gloves, secateurs and BBQ lunch. Mel 20 C4. Laurie Whelan (03) 479 2871.

2 Tuesday, 8 p.m. IFFA meeting

SEPTEMBER

- 28 - 3 October. **East Gippsland Coalition Spring Camp.** Experienced guides will conduct walks in the new National Parks as well as the threatened National Estate forests. Kids are very welcome and there are some special activities designed for them. The cost is \$10/\$5 conc. per night - kids free. For more information contact the EGC on (03) 654 4833.

A large range of activities such as bushwalks and 'Friends' activities are published by the Victorian National Parks Association in their newsletter. For details contact V.N.P.A. (03) 654 6843.



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