



Newsletter

Friends of Stirling Linear Park Inc.  Summer 2001/02

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Council says YES

Go-ahead for buildings refurbishment.

We thought the day would never come, but finally the Adelaide Hills Council has authorised Stage 1 of the Woorabinda buildings refurbishment.

Almost as an anticlimax to the years of innumerable reports, public meetings and sometimes bitter debate, Council agreed on 18th December that Stage 1 of the refurbishment of the buildings be commenced. This follows their in principle approval of the development plan last June.

The Council meeting was a surprisingly affable affair. A sizable contingent of the Friends committee was present to hear Terry Peacock (Conservation Volunteers Australia), Sheralee Cox (Onkaparinga Waterwatch Network) and David Ragless give their presentations and to hear what the Council's decision would be.

The final vote in favour of the resolution was passed almost unanimously (one opposed). It seems that the issue had been talked to death. There was really nothing more left to say in the way of constructive argument. Even the councillors seemed relieved that at least this stage of the proceedings had been signed off.

So what exactly is Stage 1 and what are the other Stages?

There are four proposed Stages:

Stage 1: Basic upgrading of the Main building to Occupational Health & Safety standards and the requirements of the Building Code. Work includes repairs and refurbishment, site clean up and securing of other buildings against further deterioration.

Stage 2: Bunkhouse refurbishment. Some additional upgrading of Main building, site electrical supply and fire services.

Upgrading of disability toilet and access facilities.

Stage 3: Cottage refurbishment.

Stage 4: Possible restoration of the Family Cabin.

Use has not been clearly identified, but if no outside funding is

The AHC resolution, 18.12.01

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.
- (2) That Council provide up to \$25,000 for the Stage 1 refurbishment of the Main Building and essential maintenance of the other buildings at the Woorabinda site.
- (3) That Council in providing these funds acknowledges the financial and volunteer worker contributions being made by the Onkaparinga Water Watch Network, Friends of the Stirling Linear Park and Conservation Volunteers Australia.
- (4) That Stage 2 as outlined in the report on the refurbishment and upgrading of existing buildings, be further considered contingent upon substantial financial and volunteers' commitment from Onkaparinga Water Watch Network, Conservation Volunteers Australia, the Friends and other sources.
- (5) That the Chief Executive Officer prepare a design, estimates and feasibility analysis for Stage 3 being the refurbishment of the Old Stone Cottage for subsequent lease for accommodation or other purposes.
- (6) That a lease be prepared with Conservation Volunteers Australia Inc and/or Friends of Stirling Linear Park Inc for the ongoing management and refurbishment of the Woorabinda buildings and the more immediate environs.

obtained, the Family Cabin may be demolished and the site rehabilitated.

Planning in progress

Council has appointed architects Russell & Yelland to manage the project. The work will be jointly undertaken by AHC's paid contractors along with Friends, CVA and other volunteers. The work will be directed by the Woorabinda Working Group, comprising Council staff and representatives from CVA, OWN and FOSLP.

Friends' committee appointees David Ragless and Alistair McHenry are attending weekly meetings with the Group to formulate detailed plans and schedules for the completion of Stage 1.

The first priority for the buildings will be the replacement of all guttering and downpipes. Two Green Reserve carpenters will repair doors, windows etc and fit new locks. CVA and Council will provide demountable screens for interior partitions and supply miscellaneous items (whiteboard, desk etc). Painting of the buildings will be carried out mainly by CVA, Friends and other volunteers.

Onkaparinga Catchment Water Management Board is purchasing chairs, desks and other office equipment with the \$20,000 grant provided for this purpose, so that Waterwatch (OWN) can move in.

Adelaide Hills Council have agreed to supply all the necessary materials for the buildings refurbishment, and has undertaken to seal the driveway and parking area. AHC will also fund new window flyscreens, ceilings, roof repairs, guttering and exterior cladding. Council will also install heaters and furnish new floor coverings.

Security will be provided by a monitored alarm system linked to a central base. Security screens will be fitted to computer room windows.

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At last it's starting to happen

Already CVA trainees have been busy cleaning up around the buildings, including the driveway, parking area and cottage garden. This and other work in the Park will be in lieu of rent payment. The buildings will be used for training a small group of Green Corps, Conservation Volunteers and other groups in best environmental practice. Most training is hands-on, and will involve working in the Park and other Adelaide Hills Council reserves.

The year ahead in the Park

A lot of thought has been given to work priorities for the trainees.

Recently, Council staff in collaboration with the Friends have developed a comprehensive and achievable list of projects to be carried out in the Park, including:

- Surveying present usage of the Park, particularly the areas surrounding the lake, and assessing the rate of degradation.
- Developing recommendations to correct any problems identified by the above survey.
- Seed collection and plant propagation.
- Revegetation and weed control around the lake.
- Bushcare in Woorabinda north of the campsite carpark.
- Surveying and constructing a pathway from the Ethel Street entrance to Woorabinda.
- Constructing footbridges over streams (subject to AHC funding for materials).
- Improving the access track between the end of Branch Road and the walkway to Keroma Drive (Woorabinda Track).
- Improving Woorabinda track from the lake to the intersection with the above track.

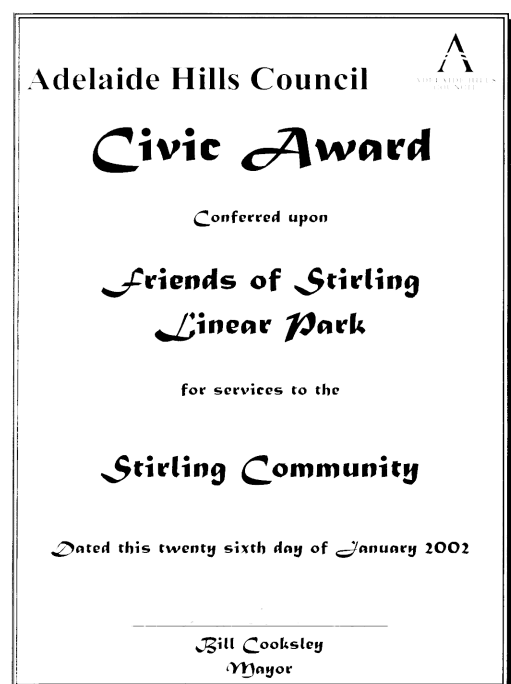
The Friends' Civic Award

Australia Day saw several Friends and supporters gathered in perfect weather on the Council lawns in Stirling for the Awards ceremony. The Friends of Stirling Linear Park was one of five recipients of the Civic Awards presented in recognition of our individual contributions to the community.

Interestingly, three of the five were directly concerned with the conservation of Council reserves, perhaps an indication of the increasing awareness of the importance of this activity to the district.

Also worthy of mention was the Young Citizen of the Year Award to Reece Pedler, student representative on the Friends committee. Reece is an outstanding example of that body of environmentally-conscious younger citizens who recognise that their future depends on how well we care for our planet's life support systems.

This Award was well deserved. Well done Reece, and congratulations.



Waterwatch: Water quality in the Park since February 1999

Woorabinda lake

Month	pH	Salinity	Turbidity	Phos-phates	Nitrates Nitrites
Feb 1999	5.5	220	0	3	0
March	5.5	210	0	0	0
April	-	-	-	-	-
May	5.5	16	15	0	0
June	5.5	180	0	0.02	0
July	5.5	150	0	0	0
August	6	140	0	0	0
September	6	130	-	0.04	0
October	5.5	160	0	0	0
November	5.5	140	0	0.12	0
December	5.5	140	0	0.1	0
January 2000	-	-	-	-	-
February	6	210	0	0.08	0
March	5.5	160	0	0.16	0
April	6	170	0	0.03	0
May	6.5	180	0	0.08	0
June	6	150	0	0.06	0
July	5.5	190	0	0.02	0
August	-	-	-	-	-
September	5	140	0	0.03	0
October	5.5	140	0	0.12	0
November	-	-	-	-	-
December	5.5	160	0	0	0
January 2001	-	-	-	-	-
February	5.5	200	10	0	0
March	5.5	200	20	0	0
April	5.5	210	0	0	0
May	5.5+	220	-	0	0
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	5.5	180	<10	0	0.006
August	5	160	<10	0.03	0.009
September	5	140	<10	0	0
October	5.5	180	<10	0	0
November	5	160	<10	0	0

Stirling Park Creek

Month	pH	Salinity	Turbidity	Phos-phates	Nitrates Nitrites
Feb 1999	-	-	-	-	-
March	5.5	390	0	0.06	0.051
April	-	-	-	-	-
May	5.5	140	80	0.54	0.18
June	6	410	0	0.16	0.068
July	6	380	0	0.14	0.051
August	5.5	400	0	0.14	0.17
September	6	360	-	0.1	0.13
October	6	410	0	0.16	0.015
November	6	420	0	0.28	0
December	6	180	0	0.28	0.009
January 2000	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-	-
March	6	470	80	0.54	0
April	6.5	370	0	0.20	0
May	6	450	0	0.22	0
June	6	370	0	0.24	0.22
July	6	410	0	0.24	0.35
August	-	-	-	-	-
September	5.5	290	0	0.2	0.006
October	6	370	0	0.16	0.13
November	5.5	400	0	0.26	0.051
December	6.5	430	13	0.4	0
January 2001	-	-	-	-	-
February	5.5	540	100	0.38	0.043
March *	-	-	-	-	-
April	5.5	500	20	0.30	0
May	5.5	420	65	0.30	0.003
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	6	480	<10	0.10	0.17
August	6	430	15	0.14	0.17
September	5.5	330	<10	0.16	0
October	6	370	<10	0.16	0.24
November	6	420	<10	0.30	0.12

Data shown in the above tables is abstracted from the Onkaparinga Waterwatch Network 1999 and 2000 Water Quality Reports and Feb to Nov 2001 field Data Sheets.

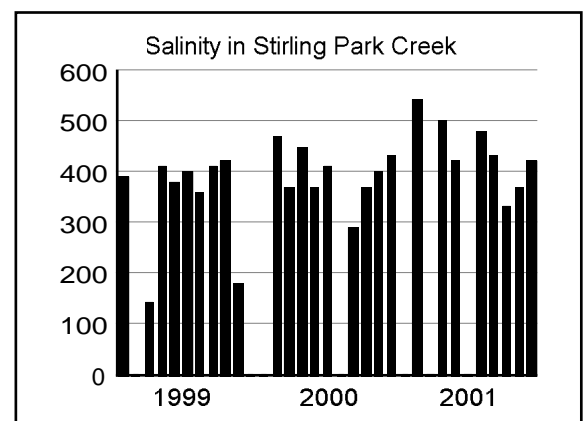
* no water in creek
- no sampling

Interpretation of the values

- pH.....** Low numbers tend towards alkalinity, high numbers towards acidity. Natural good quality water ranges between 6.0 to 8.5.
- Salinity...** Values are in ECU's (micro Siemens/cm). Good quality water is less than 1000 ECU's.
- Turbidity.** A measure of suspended matter in the water (clay, silt, sewage etc). Good water measures less than 20 units. More than 50 units indicates poor quality water.
- Phosphates, nitrates and nitrites**
Naturally occurring in freshwater systems. Measured as mg/l. Essential to plant and animal life. Excessive levels can cause harmful algae and bacterial growth. Good water contains less than 0.1 mg/l. Poor quality contains more than 1.0 mg/l.

During the past three years, Woorabinda Lake has consistently recorded very low levels of salinity, turbidity and nutrients. It continues to provide an excellent habitat for the aquatic plants and macro-invertebrates that are the food source for the lake's waterfowl and other animals.

Water quality in Stirling Park Creek is also generally high, although the data possibly indicates a slight tendency towards increasing salinity.



Bird hide vandalised

At one time we foolishly believed the Park was immune from the social disease of vandalism, as if its very nature exercised a benign and uplifting influence on the immature and deviant. We thought that the natural values of the Park were so blindingly obvious, that no one in their right mind would consider trashing them.

Alas we were wrong. During the past year the Park has suffered a rash of vandalism. A pox would be a better word. It has infected every corner, from Woorabinda to Hender Reserve.

The favourite target for this mindless activity has been the bird hide. A generous gift from Stirling Lions Club in 1999, its setting was chosen carefully, providing a perfect lookout to the wide expanse of the lake, yet at the same time blending into the bush as if it always belonged there.

It remained largely undamaged until around the middle of last year. Then in September it sustained its first serious attack. Wall panels were kicked out and the roof damaged.

September was also a bad month for other areas of the Park. Considerable damage was done to the buildings, and mature trees were cut down in Hender Reserve.

All of this vandalism was reported to AHC, and to the Council's credit, the bird hide was promptly repaired. Three days later, the vandals struck the bird hide again, undoing most of the work.

For the next two months, the damage gradually

increased. An attempt was made on one occasion to effect repairs, but the exercise was evidently becoming pointless.

The third week in November saw the first graffiti, and as we all can see this has been steadily added to.

We have always ensured that AHC is informed about these attacks, both by letter and telephone. In a reply received on 18 January, Council said it would: '...initiate repairs to the hide with a long term view of strengthening the inner panels to make it less convenient to vandalise.'

The letter also expressed the hope that:

'...the imminent renewed presence of CVA and Waterwatch in the buildings (would) reduce/deter likely incidents of vandalism'.

Meanwhile, we'll just have to continue suffering the open ruins of the hide and the scorn of the birds we are supposedly hiding from.

Members will recall that when a de facto caretaker occupied the Woorabinda cottage, the level of vandalism in the Park was negligible. Council Landcare Officer, Alan Dickens, who rented the cottage at the time, saw to it that offenders were politely but firmly cautioned. His 24-hour presence was well known to the vandals. Their repulsively sneaky activities require the cover of darkness, and fearfully aware of the ever-vigilant Alan they avoided the Park for fear of discovery.

The Park badly needs another such caretaker resident in the cottage.

This is no picnic

You've set aside an hour or two for family quality time. You've toggled out the grandchildren in sensible shoes and clothing they've agreed to wear. You've checked the dog accessories — collar secured, lead OK, poo bag handy. And you've rummaged in the TipTop bags for the stale bread you shouldn't really feed to the ducks, but you do, because the kids love it.

Right. Into the Mazda and buckle up. Stop fighting you two, or we won't go to Woorabinda after all. We'll stay home and help mummy.

A while later, you've circumnavigated the lake, fed the ducks, tut-tutted at the state of the bird hide and used up your supply of stale bread. You're feeling especially pleased with yourself because you've done the right thing as a good citizen. You've picked up Scamper's poo and bagged it safely for disposal down the loo back home.

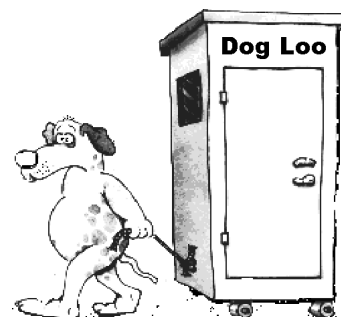
Time for a quiet sit down and break out the sandwiches. Oh good — someone's finally cleaned up the bench. That's nice. But what's that smell?

As if you didn't know. You tell the eldest to lift her shoe. And there it is. Greasy, menacing and violently toxic. Must have come from a large dog. How could she not have seen it?

Your little excursion to the Park has not been as pleasant as you had hoped. You reflect angrily on the indifference of some people to the rights of others — the right, for example, to walk in a public place without fear of treading in excrement.

The Park is a public place, and the laws governing dog behaviour in Stirling main street apply just as equally to Council parks and reserves. Yet certain breeds of dog owners seem oblivious of this fact. They regard the Park as a place where their responsibility towards cleaning up after their dog is not important, or even (if they don't read the signs) is not required.

Apart from being offensive to the eye and nose, dog excrement can contain round worm — a nasty parasite to humans. This is a serious health hazard, especially to children. More than a dozen



Australian children are blinded every year when round worm eggs in dog faeces come into contact with the eyes*.

Some owners believe their dog's excrement is natural and therefore easily broken down in the environment. However, the nutrients in dog poo contribute to toxic algae blooms in our waterways, and in no small measure threaten the well-being of sensitive wetlands and waterways such as Woorabinda and Stirling Park.

More people are visiting the Park these days, and many come along just to exercise their dog. It is after all one of the few public places handy to the city where a dog can run off the lead, provided it is '...under control and responding to its owner's commands'.

Many owners do act responsibly by keeping their pet under control and removing its droppings. But why should we tolerate those others who treat our Park

and other users with contempt?

It's up to us to voice our concern to Council about the growing problem of dog poo. The \$100 fine for example, is a mere slap on the wrist. It's hardly enough to deter an offender, even given the remote possibility of being prosecuted. Providing bags was also a dismal failure and led to dispensers being vandalised and residents' justifiable complaints about plastic bags being strewn everywhere.

Perhaps it is time to strengthen the laws governing dog owners' responsibilities.

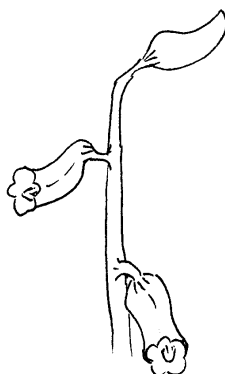
Are the fines adequate? Would disposal bins help the problem or only create a bigger one? Should AHC step up ranger patrols in our Parks?

Council will not act on any of these ideas unless there is a strong community protest about the problem. It really is up to you.

**Source: Inner Sydney Waste Board, September 2000*

Madurta Working Bee

It was a typical Stirling spring morning: cool, overcast and fairly damp, but not actually raining. I was enjoying the working bee at Madurta as it was the first time I had worked in that part of the park. We were removing broom, mainly, picking our way between the white Milkmaids (*Burchardia umbellata*) and firmly closed Sun Orchids (*Thelymitra* species). Late in the session I was pleased to find some Trigger plants (*Stylidium* species) just coming into flower. Then, to my surprise and delight, I found two flowering stems of the Potato



Orchid, *Gastrodia sesamoides*. I have only seen this a couple of times before, in Tasmania.

The dark coloured stems were about 50cm tall with a number of cinnamon-coloured, bell-shaped flowers. There were no leaves as the orchid gets its nutrients from the rotting vegetation near which it grows.

This orchid is found in all eastern States as well as SA. Another species, *G. procera*, grows to 1.2m and is found only in NSW, Victoria and Tasmania.

Merilyn Browne

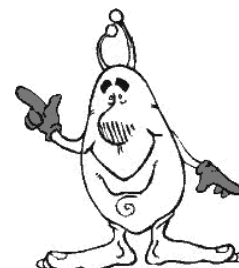
Recent Working Bees

Date	No. of volunteers	Area	Work done
9 December	6	Hender Reserve	Cut and swabbed pittosporum and longifolia in the northern part of the reserve
10 February	6	Walkways	Cutting and swabbing on Bogaduck track

Forthcoming Working Bees (Volunteers meet at 10am, 2nd Sunday of each month)

10 March.....**Woorabinda**..... meet at Woorabinda Drive entrance
14 April.....**Stirling Park**..... meet at Branch Road entrance
12 May.....**Madurta Reserve**..... meet at cnr Bogaduck Rd/ Linwood Ave.

Dust off those workaday blues with a couple of hours each month helping the Park. It's a rewarding experience and it's fun. Tools are provided, but bring your favourite gardening gloves if you wish.



Renaming the Park

Many visitors and a good many Friends and Stirling residents often ask the question: "Why is it called a linear park?" After all, it's not really linear to anything. There's no natural feature along which it rambles — no river or range of hills to justify such an adjective. The Park does not even come close to any shape you could call linear. Most of it occupies an irregular accretion of odd shaped land titles, while one piece of it languishes orphan-like amid a sea of residential blocks — a sad reminder of earlier days of enthusiastic land development.

Since those days we have moved on. With the formation of the Friends group and the declared ethos of preserving the remaining bush and revegetating the cleared land, the Park has been transformed. So much so that it has attracted the interest and admiration of conservationists from far and wide.

During the past dozen or so years, some 15,000 native trees and shrubs have been planted and over 4km of walking tracks have been constructed. Madurta Reserve has been permanently linked via walkways to the main body of the Park, and this year we are at last seeing action on the Woorabinda buildings. Adelaide Hills Council has finally given the go-ahead for the first stage of refurbishment, and agreeing to their occupancy by CVA and Waterwatch.

The Park today is a living demonstration of how a dedicated community, often opposed by narrow interests, can work together to preserve our open spaces for the well being of present and future citizens.

The Park has come of age and the community's vision for it is gradually taking shape. But should we continue to refer to it as 'linear'. Isn't it time we gave it a new name — one more descriptive and appropriate?

Stirling Conservation Reserve?

Well, this is what it's all about, isn't it?

Conservation. It's a harmless and benign word yet it strikes fear into the hearts of some people, because it entails certain restrictions to their lifestyle. To label a public place 'conservation' means that certain simple rules have to be followed. A greater awareness of personal responsibility is called for. In a conservation area the interests of the environment — its plants, animals and habitat — have priority over the immediate interests of the person. For most people, this is not so much a problem but a sublime benefit. It means that in such places it is possible to observe and enjoy the natural world in peaceful surroundings, where living things are encouraged to flourish, free from the threat of human depredation.

Unfortunately, there are others, also in pursuit of personal freedom in the great outdoors, who are unaware of the intricate web of life surrounding them. Instead of an old growth stringybark forest with its countless thousand interdependent organisms, they see only a patch of useless scrub, handy for trying out one's axemanship or mountain biking skills. Instead of

a uniquely unspoiled freshwater lake teeming with macro-invertebrates that support a thriving population of birds, reptiles and amphibians, they see only a place to bathe the dog or splash about in a boat.

How can we accommodate the interests of these two groups of people? The activities of the former — those who care for the environment and endeavour to preserve what's left of it — maintain an irresistible recreational retreat for the latter, whose thoughtless and inappropriate behaviour will inevitably undo the community's good work of practical conservation. It takes much time and dedication to preserve and enhance the environment. It is so easy to trash it.

The Park's popularity has grown with the years. Visitor numbers are up as the word has spread about this uniquely accessible resource in the heart of the Stirling district. This is a place where dogs and children can be taken on easy walks through wetland and bush, and where the observant visitor may spot the occasional uncommon bird or animal.

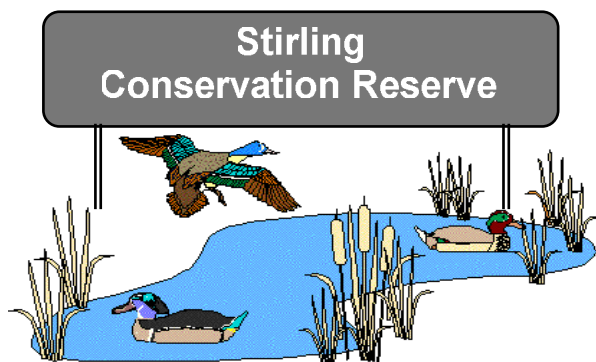
Inevitably, abuse has also increased. Over the past year, we have seen vandalism in all its ugly forms — wrecking of buildings, graffiti and severe damage to the bird hide, and the mindless cutting of mature trees. In January, our small colony of long neck turtles in Lake Woorabinda were decimated, if not eliminated, when yabby fishers left out traps for them to drown in. Three, possibly more have died in this way. A native water rat has also met the same fate — imprisoned and drowned while seeking out a bait in a yabby trap. More recently, a visitor to the Park discovered another turtle that had been savagely cut in half. Angrily, she took the remains to show a reporter with the Mt. Barker Courier. Long neck turtles in the lake never numbered more than about six, and the delightful marsupial water rat was even less common — a couple of breeding pairs at most.

Clearly, if we are serious about conservation, we must take steps to stop this assault on the environment. A first step must be to inform the public that the Park is indeed a special place which the community values as a conservation area. But how is anyone to know this? Where are the signs to advise people of the Park's status?

The casual visitor could be excused for thinking that the Park is just another Council reserve where you can charge about on a bike, have a swim, or chuck sticks into the reeds for your dog to retrieve. After all, there are no signs or instructions to say this is disallowed. It has even been argued by abusers that there are no signs to say that it (whatever particular form of abuse they enjoy) is prohibited. We haven't yet seen jet skis on the lake, but no doubt when they do arrive their riders will claim the lack of signs forbidding them is a de facto right to use them.

Surely the time has come to publicly and unequivocally proclaim the true status of the Park in the eyes of the community. In other words we should

rename the Park: STIRLING CONSERVATION RESERVE, and proudly erect new signs to that effect at every entrance, including the advisory signs we have waited for all these years (see insert opposite).



The Sorry Saga of the Signs

Lack of signage has concerned the Friends for a long time.

Four years ago (February 1998) we recommended to Council that **advisory signage** should be erected at all the Park entrances. This followed a worrying escalation of horse riding, uncontrolled dogs and swimming in the lake. Our suggestion was that these signs should be of the icon type as commonly seen in National Parks.

It was not until February 2000, that the signage style and content was finally agreed with Council.

A year later, Council again confirmed it had agreed on a standard design and that manufacture would proceed.

We are still waiting...Four year later.

News in brief

Friends DGR status

It may be a long time coming, but we hope to get there in the end. In our Winter newsletter last year, we reported on our application for Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

With all the paperwork done (we hope), our Constitution modified, trustees appointed and a special bank account opened, our application was duly submitted in October to Environment Australia in Canberra. We believe it met with approval and was passed on to the Minister for the Environment for authorisation.

In the meantime however, there was a Federal election, a cabinet reshuffle and a new Minister appointed to look after the nation's environmental affairs.

No doubt the new man has a lot of catching up to do to get on top of this important portfolio, so we'll just have to be patient. But Environment Oz has assured our very persistent secretary that the brief is on the Minister's desk.

The next hurdle, once the Minister gives his approval, is to obtain Tax Office ratification.

After that of course, we'll need the Royal Seal. Just joking.

Waterwatch sampling

To rationalise the work load of the OWN staff, there will only be six sampling days this year in the Park: March, May, June, August, September and November.

Membership renewals

Please check your address label on the newsletter envelope. Three asterisks means your subscription is overdue. Please forward your renewal as soon as you can. Thank you.

New Park bench

The Friends have been lucky enough to obtain a \$750 Community Grant from the Adelaide Hills Council to purchase a new double bench seat.

Volunteers from the Friends will install the bench, which will be located near the northern end of dam wall. One side will face west with a clear view of the lake while the other will give good view down the valley.

The site is shady for most of the day.



Tree planters

Last November we received a Small Equipment Grant from the Commonwealth Dept. of Family & Community Services as a result of our application under an International Year of Volunteers initiative.

The money was used to purchase ten Hamilton tree planters. These will come in very handy in our next big tree planting event. They're easy to use by young and old, so there's no excuse for not coming along and joining in the fun.

Erratum in Spring 2001 issue

page 2, line 13: '...\$4,000 per annum', should read '...\$40,000 per annum'.

This and recent issues of the Friends newsletter can be downloaded from
<http://www.mlrcp.sa.gov.au/newsletters.htm>



Feedback

Although we do our best to report accurately and fairly on Park matters, we know there are issues we may have missed.

This newsletter goes to some 150 Friends and similar interest groups. That's a wide enough readership to harbour a diversity of ideas and opinions.

Do you approve of the program of revegetation and regeneration going on the Park? Or do you have misgivings about the Park's management and its future directions?

Let us know what you think. Keep it brief and we'll gladly publish it in the newsletter.

Post your comments to:

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Not a member yet?

The purpose and commitment of the Friends of Stirling Linear Park is to help restore the Park to natural bushland and to ensure its preservation as a public open space in perpetuity. If you share this vision, why not join us?

Active participation in working bees etc, is entirely voluntary. Membership is open to anyone who has the best interests of the Park at heart. This newsletter is distributed quarterly to all members.



Patron Anita Aspinall

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Affiliations

The Friends of Stirling Linear Park Inc. is an Affiliated Member of Friends of Parks Inc. We are also a Registered Landcare Group and a Member of Greening Australia.



Friends of Stirling Linear Park – Membership application/renewal

I/we would like to join/renew membership of the Friends of Stirling Linear Park. (Strike out word not applicable).

\$.....membership fee is enclosed .

Name:.....

Address:.....

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Phone no:.....

I can help with (please tick):

- ☐ Publicity/letter-boxing
- ☐ Working bees
- ☐ Bushcheck
- ☐ Water Watch
- ☐ Other.....

- ☐ I would like to receive the newsletter only.

Membership fees (individual or family): 1 year/ \$5. 5 years/ \$20.

Please return to: David Ragless, Friends of Stirling Linear Park Inc., PO box 1, STIRLING SA 5152.