

Celebrating 35 years 1982 ~ 2017

Friends of Warrandyte State Park Inc.

FOWSP is a group of people with a mutual interest in the conservation of bushland in the Warrandyte and surrounding areas of north-east Melbourne. Formed in 1982, membership has grown steadily over the years, to over 270. We are now one of the largest and most active 'Friends' groups in the State of Victoria.

FOWSP is an incorporated association, run by a committee of management. The group is affiliated with the Victorian National Parks Association (VNPA), Middle Yarra Landcare Network (MYLN), and also forms part of the 'Friends Network' - a confederation of similar groups throughout the State.

The aim of the group is to foster an awareness of the natural values of Warrandyte and to assist the Rangers in the care and protection of the State Park. FOWSP enjoys a close working relationship with the Park staff. The group also has an important role in providing information on indigenous plants, weeds and various aspects of bushland and property management to the local community.

Our membership base ranges from local residents to people in the wider Melbourne region, and overseas. Together, they contribute a considerable variety of talents and interests to the organisation.

You can find much more about us and our activities at:
fowsp.org.au or scan the QR-Code.



The Nursery

Our indigenous nursery propagates plants for 'sale' to the general public, as well as local environmental contractors, local, and state government bodies.

Many members spend Thursday mornings at our nursery at the State Park Pound Bend depot, propagating plants for Park re-vegetation and other community projects. There is also opportunity for fieldwork with Park Rangers at various locations throughout the State Park. No experience is necessary. Morning tea is provided. Come along and join the crew!

Commencing soon we will be running family-oriented weekend activities - check our website's 'Activities' page for up-and-coming information.

Newsletter

An 8-page newsletter is produced 10 times a year, with up-to-date information on all FOWSP activities and regular reports from the State Park Rangers. Contributions from members are encouraged.

Newsletters are available for download, in colour, from our website, or posted free to members.

Conservation Trailer

FOWSP has a Conservation Information Trailer at the monthly Warrandyte Market at Stiggants Reserve. Volunteers provide information about the Park and its environs - a variety of free brochures, postcards, books and local plants (from our nursery) are available from our trailer.

Education

Education is very high on FOWSP's activity agenda. In conjunction with other environmental groups and Manningham City Council, FOWSP organises a variety of events including walks, workshops, and working with schools to raise awareness of the local fauna and flora. One way we do this is by organising Environmental Awareness Poster Competitions in local primary schools. Prizes are awarded to students for the best posters. We also make a donation to the school for purchase of library materials. We aim to run several competitions a year.

Library

FOWSP has its own library at the Pound Bend Rangers depot. We have an invaluable collection of books, reports, DVDs and other media on flora, fauna, bushland management and related topics. A comprehensive list is available on our website. Members are encouraged to borrow items.

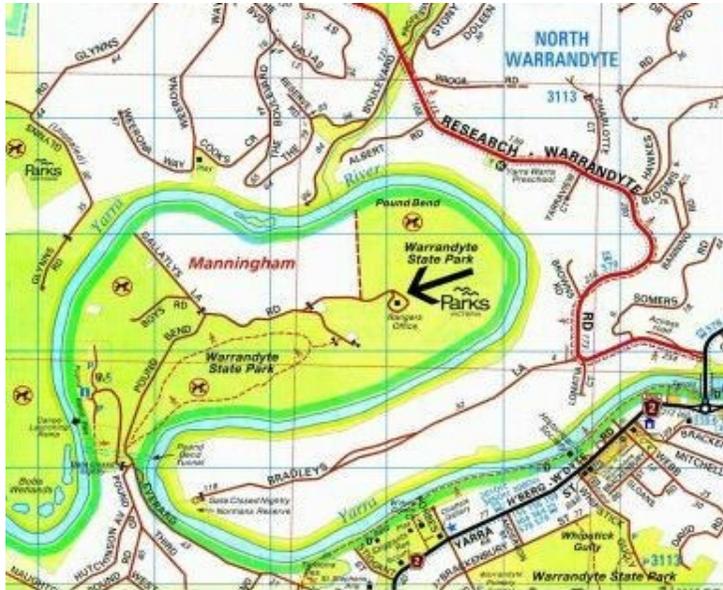
Membership

Annual membership	
Family / single:	\$30
Concession:	\$15

Grab and complete a green DL membership form, or apply and pay online at: fowsp.org.au

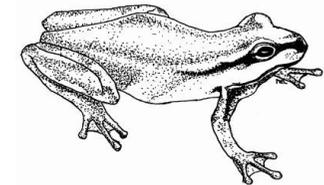
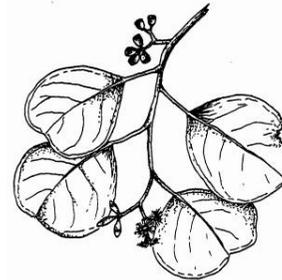


FOWSP has its own purpose-built meeting place close to the Nursery at the State Park depot.
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