

FRIENDS OF WARRANDYTE STATE PARK

NEWSLETTER

JULY 1988

Harold's Report .

On the 26th June, Fowspians set to work clearing out invaders from the forest just east of the end of Webb Street. Rangers Chris, Ian and Janine worked hard beside the thirteen of us (including three girls), felling hundreds of sweet Pittosporum trees and pulling up the smaller seedlings. This beautiful, fragrant East Gippsland native is growing there in thickets that exclude much light, and producing innumerable berries to perpetuate its kind. We worked our way through a surprising amount of territory but left untouched a greater forest beyond.

Boneseed was present but not much of a problem yet, and easy to pull up. There was a fair bit of smilax too but we lacked the means to dig out its massive roots - another time perhaps. We found some ivy, and another elegant foreigner(?) we couldn't identify but which we'll probably have to chop out later. Afternoon tea without a visiting specialist was a pleasant resting time after our strenuous work. Many thanks to those who brought things to eat, and welcome to Don and Leonie Hatton, who attended for the first time.

NEXT MEETING

When, Where, & What to Bring!

If Friends ever wonder where the plants for planting days come from the next working bee will answer the question. We will be potting up plants at the Pound Bend nursery at the depot. The nursery assures a supply of indigenous plants for the Park. Rangers collect seed throughout the year and this is propagated in the greenhouse. The seedlings are then potted on and grown in the shade houses to be planted out by groups during the year. Because the plants are of local stock they fit in and grow well; It is possible too to grow all kinds of plants from grasses to eucalypts and this makes the nursery work particularly valuable. So come along and help in this work. There will also be a speaker from the Entomological Society - this should be most interesting.



VISIT FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE MORWELL STATE PARK.

Plans for the visit from the Friends of Morwell National Park have been finalised. The F.O.M.N.Pians convoy is due to arrive at Pound Bend Depot at 10.30(ish). We shall welcome them with a 'cuppa' and the rangers will show them around. A B.B.Q. lunch is planned on a B.Y.O. basis. Final numbers are a bit hazy all round and Ian and Gail Roche are the only "billetors". The afternoon will conclude with a farewell 'cuppa' and no doubt plans for a visit by Fowspians to Billy's Creek. We hope lots of members are able to come to this special meeting. All the 'Friends' will be in the hands of our Rangers, who will give us all a Grand Tour of the Bepores/Afterers and our Warrantdye facilities (or lack of them!). To get together with another Friends group seems a marvellous opportunity. See you at Pound Bend about 10 a.m. on August 14th. - all morning, afternoon tea and luncheon goodies will be happily greeted.

'Welcome' News.

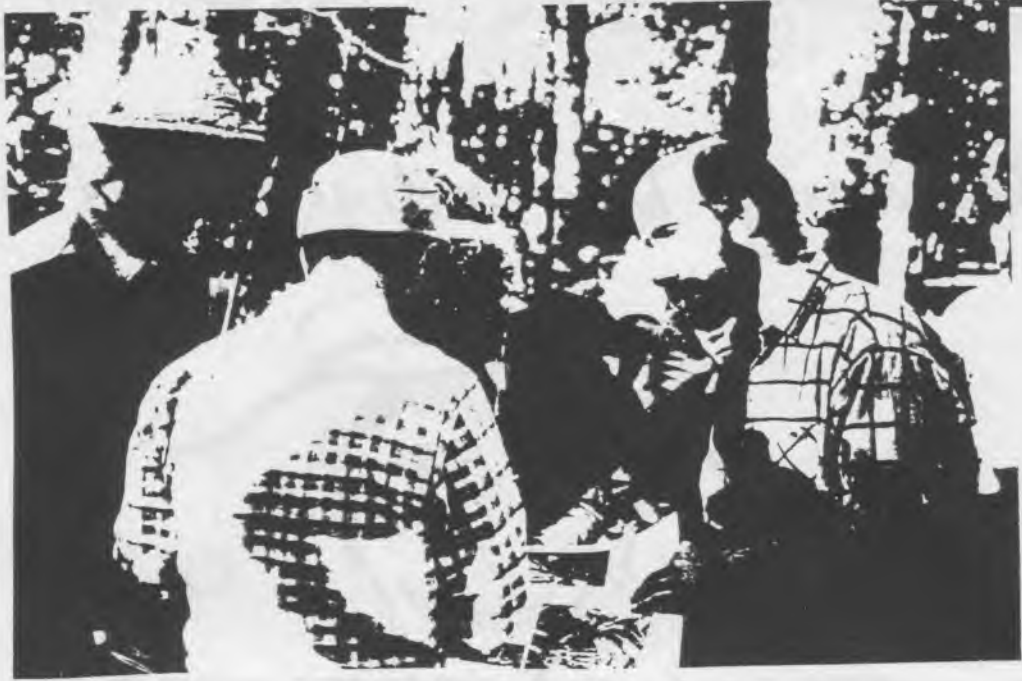
A new specimen of an old species has come to light in the current mammal survey. Its commonly known as "Head Ranger". Fowspians Margaret, Ian and Margaret were delighted to make his acquaintance over a cuppa on Wednesday, 20th July. Welcome Ian Roche, wife Gail and young family! A cameo profile on our new Head Ranger will grace the pages of our next newsletter.

We wish to extend to Norm Hunter our best wishes, hoping he soon recovers from his recent illness. We were pleased that Norm's daughters have agreed to provide us with some articles for use in our forthcoming newsletters.

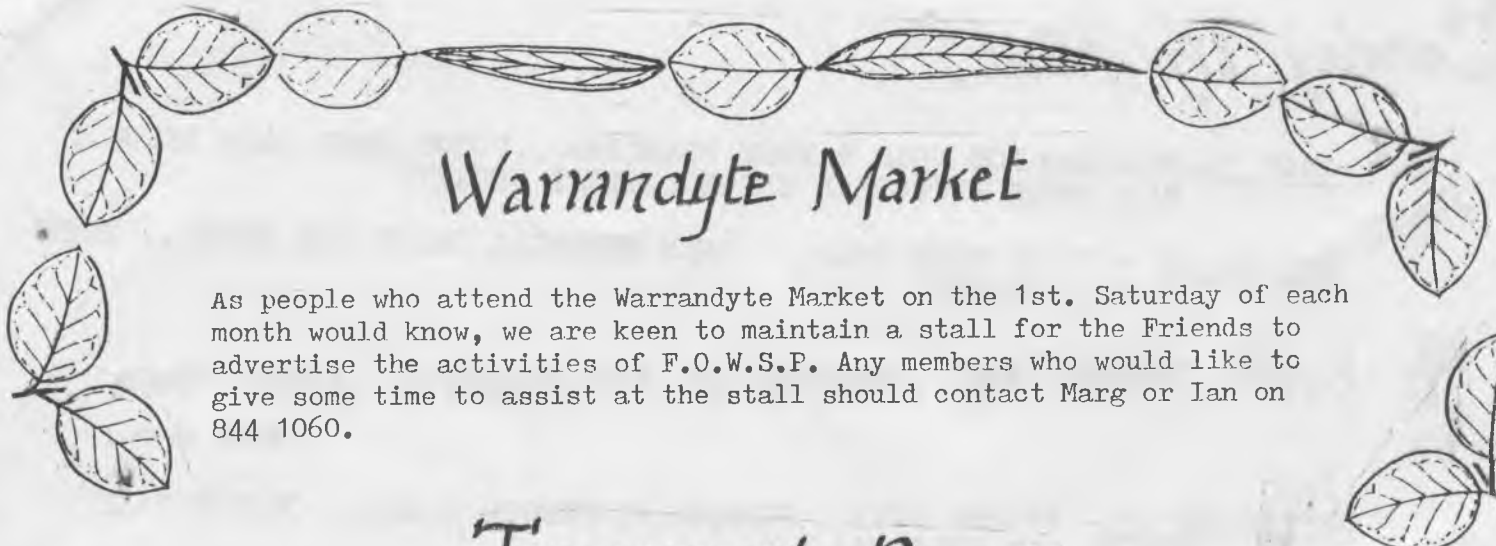
Wandering Warrandigidytes Column.



Lost ! Stolen ! Strayed !



Geoff. Durham, from the V.N.P.A., thanked us for our publicity for their membership drive. He visited our April meeting when we had Julian Brusovin speak. Geoff. took some photos, of which he sent us copies. Any members who take photos stand a very good chance of being "published". Glen hopes to have a pictorial record greet his return.



Warrandyte Market

As people who attend the Warrandyte Market on the 1st. Saturday of each month would know, we are keen to maintain a stall for the Friends to advertise the activities of F.O.W.S.P. Any members who would like to give some time to assist at the stall should contact Marg or Ian on 844 1060.

Treasurer's Report

As most people in F.O.W.S.P. already know, we are a group with a fairly small membership. From time to time people leave the Warrandyte area, develop other interests, or assume other responsibilities, that means they have to forgo their involvement with the group.

So we always hope to attract new members to our fold. One easy way is for existing members to mention our group to their friends, neighbours, and relatives. We urge you to do this when the opportunity arises.

New Members

We are very pleased to welcome the following new members to F.O.W.S.P.:

Pat, Graham and Russell Madeley
Joanne Thodis

It is hoped they will enjoy the many advantages to be gained by joining in our regular activities.



I/WE WISH TO BECOME A FRIEND OF WARRANDYTE STATE PARK & ENCLOSE \$8.00 MEMBERSHIP FEE.

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WARRANDYTE 3113

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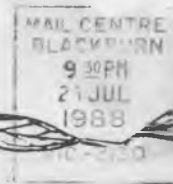
Coming Up Next.

JULY 31 - PROPAGATION WORK & TREE PLANTING... POUND BEND PARK DEPOT..
TALK FROM VICTORIAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

AUGUST 28 - ONION WEED PULL... GOLD MEMORIAL DRIVE CAR PARK... FREE
B.B.Q. LUNCH.

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AUG 14th.

SEPTEMBER 25 - BROOME PULL... TUNNEL ST. FOURTH HILL... ORCHID WALK
LED BY CAM BEARDSAL...



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