



**Normanville
Natural Resource Centre**
3/50 Main Street Normanville SA 5204



NEWSLETTER

Issue 27 Winter 2017

EVENT CALENDAR WINTER 2017

Saturday 3rd June - Veggie Swap

Thursday 8th June - Community Planting at Carrickalinga Beach

Wednesday 14th June - Second Valley Working Bee

Thursday 15th June - Gardening Group

Friday 16th June - Community Planting at Carrickalinga Beach

Thursday 22nd June - Wildlife of Greater Adelaide

Saturday 1st July - Veggie Swap

Tuesday 4th July - Plastic Free Morning Tea

Thursday 13th July - Pebble Painting for kids

Thursday 20th July - Leaf Placemats for kids

Sunday 30th July - National Tree Planting Day

Wednesday 2nd August - Yacca Yankalilla

Saturday 5th August - Veggie Swap

Thursday 24th August – All About Hemp

Saturday 2nd September - Veggie Swap

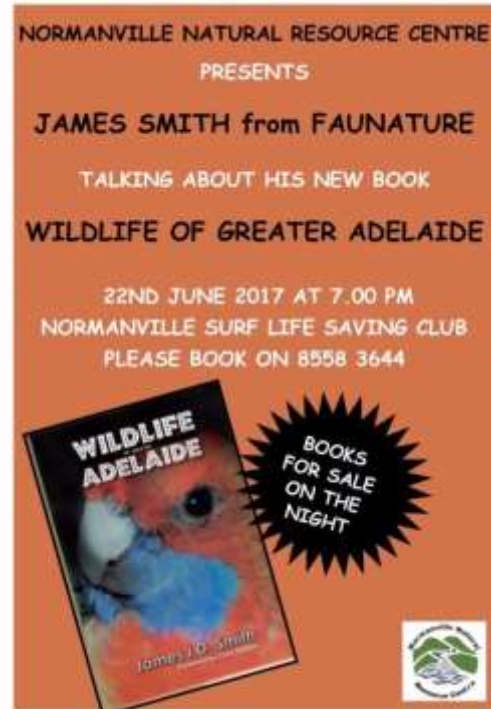
WILDLIFE OF GREATER ADELAIDE

Join us on Thursday 22nd June for an evening with James Smith, author of *Wildlife of Greater Adelaide*, as he talks about the history and content of the book and shares some of the stories of the animals found within the book.

The *Wildlife of Greater Adelaide* is the most comprehensive wildlife book ever published about Adelaide.

It covers the Mount Lofty – Kangaroo Island region, one of 15 diversity rich areas across Australia.

The book is over 450 pages with 11 chapters on identification including a list of 468 species and over 470 photographs collected over a two year period. There are chapters on worms, molluscs, crustaceans, arachnids, myriapods, insects, fishes, frogs, reptiles, birds and mammals. James Smith was enthralled by animals from a young age. Trained as a zoologist, work and personal interest had led him to seek intriguing wildlife across Australia and around the globe. For almost a decade James has run FauNature, a company dedicated to assisting people in attracting and engaging with local wildlife. He also works at the Discovery Centre at the South Australian Museum identifying specimens for the public, educating them on their finds and inspiring others to learn more about local species. James is fascinated by our fauna whether it crawls, walks, swims, runs or flies and encourages greater understanding and conservation of our remarkable native wildlife, whether they are found in a world-renowned national park or your own backyard.



Register for the free event on 8558 3644 or by email – admin@nnrc.com.au

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY

Can you spare a couple of hours to help us plant seedlings at the Hobart Memorial on Sunday 30th July? With lots of help it will only take 1 1/2 to 2 hours and then we all come back to the centre for a nice hot 3 course lunch. Please book on 8558 3644 so we know how much yummy food to make.

NORMANVILLE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE INVITES YOU TO HELP PLANT TREES IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

grow MORE JUST ADD NATURE

PLANETARKI

national tree day
PLANETARKI TOYOTA

10.30 AM SUNDAY 30TH JULY AT HOBART MEMORIAL SOUTH ROAD LADY BAY

Please book on 8558 3644

get INVOLVED!

Visit treeday.planetark.org
www.nra.org.au

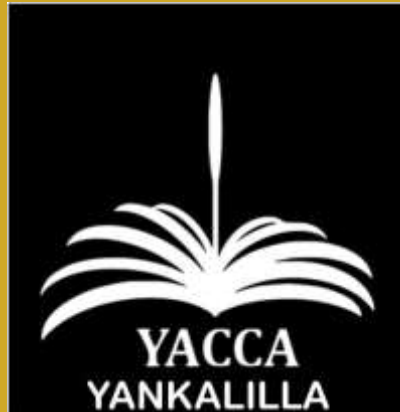
FREE LUNCH



The photo shows trees and shrubs volunteers from the Resource Centre planted on National Tree Planting Day in July 2015 at Carrickalinga.

Youth And Community in Conservation Action

(YACCA)



Yacca is an environmental youth group set up to educate high school aged students about their local environment. The Willunga Yacca was set up in the late stages of 2013 and has successfully been running each week with up to 18 students attending.

The NNRC in conjunction with the District Council of Yankalilla are starting a Yacca Yankalilla group. We hope to attract students from the Yankalilla Area school and other high schools in the district to attend once a month to increase their environmental awareness.

Yacca Yankalilla will be starting at 4.00 pm on Wednesday 2nd August at the Community Centre. At this initial meeting we will be having a visit from Radicool Reptiles where kids will be able to interact with some amazing wildlife. Refreshments will be available and it's all FREE!! For more info please call the NNR centre on 8558 3644.

WORKING BEE & COMMUNITY PLANTING

SECOND VALLEY WORKING BEE

Do you have a couple of spare hours at 10 am on Wednesday 14th

June to join us at the War Memorial at Second Valley for a working bee which will include planting and cleaning up the site. The newly formed Second Valley Environmental Care Group with the District Council of Yankalilla is revegetating the area around the War Memorial for the WW1 Monument Centenary Event on Saturday 23rd September. A delicious hot lunch will be provided.

If you can attend or be involved and on the mailing list please contact Sue or David Speck at specks@ozemail.com.au or contact us at the centre on 8558 3644

COMMUNITY PLANTING AT CARRICKALINGA BEACH

The District Council of Yankalilla and Conservation Volunteers would like to invite you to join their community Planting Days. These will be held on Thursday 8th June and Friday 16th June 2017. The NNR centre will be helping out on Friday 16th June so it would be great if some of our members could come out on that day.

The coastal reserve at Carrickalinga Beach is in a degraded condition due to human impacts and has become overrun with invasive weed species. If you can help out please rsvp on 8352 5877 or adelaide@cva.org.au. If you would like to join us on Friday 16th please contact the NNR centre on 8558 3644.

SECOND VALLEY WORKING BEE

10 am on Wednesday 14th June

War Memorial, Second Valley



The District Council of Yankalilla and Conservation Volunteers would like to invite you to join our Community Planting Days

Come and assist us to extend the native vegetation at Carrickalinga Beach

Tuesday 23 May 9:30am - 12pm
(RSVP by Friday 19 May)

Saturday 27 May 10:30am - 1pm
(RSVP by Thursday 25 May)

Thursday 8 June 9:30am - 12pm
(RSVP by Monday 5 June)

Friday 16 June 9:30am - 12pm
(RSVP by Tuesday 13 June)

Meet our team leader and volunteers on the corner of Gold Coast Drive and Elizabeth Crescent

To participate in this event please wear strong work boots, long sleeved shirt, long pants and a hat. Bring a water bottle and a rain jacket (weather dependent)

RSVP 8352 4111 or adelaide@cva.org.au



PLASTIC FREE JULY

The Challenge

Attempt to refuse single-use plastic during July. "Single-use" includes plastic shopping bags, plastic cups, straws, plastic packaging... basically anything that's intended only to be used once and then discarded. If refusing ALL single use plastic sounds too daunting this time, try the TOP 4 challenge (plastic bags, bottles, takeaway coffee cups & straws).

The Resource Centre will be holding a Plastic Free Morning Tea at 11.00am on Tuesday 4th July at the Yankalilla Community Centre. Please join us for a chat, coffee and yummy cakes and go in the draw to win one of 2 'Plastic Free July raffle baskets'. These include items to help make Plastic Free July a breeze!!

Thanks to the District Council of Yankalilla for their support of this event.

NORMANVILLE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE
INVITES YOU TO

**Plastic Free
MORNING
TEA**

A delicious way to introduce others to
cutting back on single-use plastic.

WHEN: 11 AM TUESDAY 4TH JULY
WHERE: YANKALILLA
COMMUNITY CENTRE

GO INTO THE DRAW FOR 2 FREE RAFFLE
BASKETS CONTAINING LOTS OF ITEMS TO
MAKE GOING PLASTIC FREE SO EASY!

PLEASE BOOK ON 8558 3644

FREE KIDS SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**Pebble Painting on Thursday from 1.00 - 3.00 pm at the
Yankalilla Community Centre**



**Leaf Placemats on Thursday from 1.00 - 3.00 pm at the
Yankalilla Community Centre**



**Book early to avoid disappointment
at the V.I.C. 8558 0240**

Enquiries to the Library 8558 2043



Bungala River Restoration - *“It’s Time” - Maybe*

I have lived in Normanville for 5 years now and have heard many discussions about the poor state of our Bungala River. Perhaps it’s time to do something about it.

Some interesting points:

The Normanville Natural Resource Centre (NNRC) conducted a survey recently and the number one issue for many people was to do something about the Bungala River.

1. The District Council of Yankalilla (DCY) has a “Linear Park” concept for the Bungala River in its Draft Strategic Plan.
2. In 2010, a Staged Action Plan was developed by the Adelaide and Mt. Lofty Ranges NRM Board (AMLRNRM) to rejuvenate the Bungala estuary.
3. In 2012, Council developed a Draft Storm Water Management Plan.

Unfortunately, none of these initiatives has provided significant progress toward improving the Ecological Environment along our River.

With strong support from the NNRC, the DCY, the AMLRNRM, community groups, local business and, most importantly, members of our community, I believe it’s possible to restore the Bungala River, perhaps not to its pure natural state, but at least to a point where it becomes a focal point for our community to relax, exercise, and enjoy the natural open environment the River can provide.

A small but enthusiastic group from the NNRC and Council are working to gather background information about the River’s history and what is required to develop a long term plan for the River’s restoration and creation of the “Linear Park”.

What can you do to help?

If you have any old Photos and/or information you feel could help in developing a better understanding of the River and its decline, please send it to the contact details below or see Wendy White at Resource Centre. Any acknowledgement of support would also be welcome.

Finally, the Normanville Natural Resource Centre will be holding a public meeting in the spring to gauge the level of community support. Further information about the Agenda will be provided once initial discussions have been undertaken with relevant groups and individuals.

We hope to hear from you or at least see you at the meeting in August.

Rick Williams, NNRC member

Contact details: Mobile: 0421 616 316 Email: rgw.williams@me.com

FLEURIEU FESTIVAL 2017

What an excellent Fleurieu Festival we had this year starting with Live at Bungala where we held our monthly Veggie Swap and served tasty zucchini fritters made from Veggie Swap produce - see photos below. The 'Wild Sex on the Fleurieu' presentation was a great hit - everyone enjoyed a very humorous and entertaining look at some of the Fleurieu's wildlife. We made our own 'Chair in the Landscape' called Herb's Chair which now sits outside the NNRC with a few different herbs for you to pick. A couple of our volunteers also created a chair for the 'Chairs with Attitude' exhibition where we took out second place, so a huge thank you to Ian Sutherland and Esther Ratner for the wonderful 'Avian Aviator'.



BEACH NESTING BIRD CONFERENCE



BirdLife Australia held their bi-annual Beach Nesting Bird Conference in Willunga this year. Around 150 people attended with delegates from Western Australia, NSW and Victoria joining lots of South Australian attendees. The aim of the conference was to share knowledge and conservation efforts for Beach Nesting Birds (Hooded Plovers, Oystercatchers and Red-capped Plovers) around the country. There were some interesting presentations including research on the need for long term detailed monitoring of bird populations, the Sapphire Coast Icon Project, and coastal raptors. Every one enjoyed the field trips to local birding habitats – even if the weather was a bit wild!

8 out of 10 of us are concerned about plastic ending up in landfill and polluting the oceans ...

THAT'S WHY 100,000+ WEST AUSTRALIANS

ARE CHOOSING TO BE PART OF **PLASTIC FREE JULY**



Will you join the challenge?

Please join our effort to help the environment...

... choose to refuse single-use plastic during July

About the challenge

Plastic Free July is a fun challenge that gets us thinking about the amount of plastic packaging in our lives.



Why Participate?

- West Australians use around 100kg of plastic packing per household each year.
- Those plastics:
 - Break up, not break down
 - Are mostly down-cycled
 - End up in landfill or
 - 'Escape' and pollute the ocean.
- You'll be joining 100,000+ West Australians (and a million+ people world-wide) in making a difference.

Take the Challenge



Choose to Avoid, Refuse or Replace as much single-use plastic as you can during July.

Yes, I accept the challenge!

1. Sign up for the challenge:

- www.plasticfreejuly.org

2. Choose what you will do:

- Avoid single-use plastic packaging; or
- Target the takeaway items that could end up in the ocean; or
- Go completely plastic free

Choose the length of your challenge:

- 1 day
- 1 week
- 1 month

3. Get connected

- Post your success on social media and tag @PlasticFreeJuly
- Promote Plastic Free July in your community, shops or workplace

4. Contribute to the count

- Keep a tally of your choose to refuse moments and add them to our survey count in August.

Avoid landfill waste

Reduce your eco-footprint

PLASTICFREEJULY.ORG

Protect the ocean



WASTE AUTHORITY
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PLASTIC FREE JULY

**Normanville Natural Resource Centre
proudly supported by
Adelaide & Mt. Lofty Ranges Natural
Resources Management Board**

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Normanville-Natural-Resource-Centre/198759690265524>

and Veggie Swap facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/NormanvilleVeggieSwap>

**NORMANVILLE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE
3/50 MAIN STREET, NORMANVILLE SA 5204**

Management Committee:
President - Matt Robertson
Secretary - Jacqui Salkeld
Treasurer - Nigel Duncan

OPEN: 10 am - 3 pm Mon, Tues,
Thurs & Fri

Coordinator - Wendy White
PH: (08) 8558 3644
Website: nnrc.com.au
Email: admin@nnrc.com.au