

# **NORMANVILLE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE**

## **2017-18**



**1 x Part Time Coordinator**

**25 x Registered Volunteers**

**2026 Volunteer Hours**

**8 x Seminars and Talks - 220 participants**

**14 x Workshops—193 participants**

**19 x Field Trips—950 participants**

**3 x On Ground Events—57 participants**

**2487 Participation Hours**

**661 x Members**

# **NORMANVILLE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE**

## **REPORT FOR 2017-2018**

### **EVENTS, WORKSHOPS, INFORMATION SESSIONS AND DISPLAYS**

**Plastic Free July Morning Tea**

**Pebble Painting—Kids holiday activity**

**Leaf Place Mats—Kids holiday activity**

**National Tree Planting Day — Hobart Memorial Lady Bay**

**4 x YACCA sessions**

**4 x Bees Wax Wrap Workshops**

**1 x Orchid Walk—Nixon Skinner Reserve**

**Currency Creek Arboretum visit**

**Hemp Info session**

**AGM—Flies—Chris Daniels**

**Flower Arranging Workshop**

**Hooded Plover Info session—Carrickalinga Beach**

**Yankalilla Twilight Market**

**Small Mammal ID info session—Elisa Sparrow**

**2 x Gilbert's Dashorst Art Classes**

**Permaculture Info session**

**Boomerang Bag workshop**

**Tree Planting—Garnet Kelly Reserve, Lady Bay**

**Community Nursery Opening—Yankalilla Council Depot**

**Southern Elders Weavers Workshop**

**Community meeting regarding Bungala River—Graham Brookman**

**Plastic Free July Display at NNRC and Yankalilla Community Centre**

**Hooded Plover Display at the NNRC**

**1 x Bird Camp Out**

**6 x Bird Field Trips**

**12 x veggie Swaps**

**5 x Gardening Group**

**4 x Local Walks**

**Science in the Pub in conjunction with Dept. Education**

## YANKALILLA SHOW

This year the NNRC hosted the environmental tent with a Hooded Plover display, free native plants and lots of free information. In conjunction with the Yankalilla Show Society we invited 'Radicool Reptiles' to bring their extensive display of native reptiles. This is always a big draw card and the tent was busy all day.

We had a separate table for kids to colour in the Hooded Plover calico bags and badges which we made on the new badge making machine. As well as free native plants for the adults we had seed packs to give away to the kids. Hundreds of people came into admire the reptiles and browse our stall. We also hosted the 'Recycled Animal' competition. Around 15 people entered the competition by making an animal found on a farm from recycled material, this display also attracted a lot of interest.





# YANKALILLA SHOW 2017



# NNRC REPORT FOR 2017-2018

## PLASTIC FREE JULY 2017

- Display at the NNRC
- Display at the Yankalilla Community Centre
- Plastic Free Morning Tea
- Recreate group made produce bags to be given away
- 3 x Bees Wax Workshops
- 1 x Boomerang Bag Workshop
- 2 Free raffles for people who pledge to Plastic Free July
- Made soft plastic compressor
- Article in local Yankalilla News encouraging people to try and at least say no to the top 4 single use plastic products—straws, take-away coffee cups with lids, plastic shopping or produce bags and bottled water

## PLASTIC FREE JULY 2018

- Display at the NNRC
- Called for volunteers to make produce bags and shopping bags to be given away at stall at local shopping centre
- Produced Plastic Free Brochure
- Organised Free Film— ‘Plastic Ocean’ in conjunction with South Coast Environment Centre
- Article in local Yankalilla News on avoiding the use of plastics.



# **NNRC REPORT FOR 2017-2018**

## **PROPAGATION & TREE PLANTING**

Tree Planting Day in July 2017 was again held between Lady Bay and Shelley Beach where 25 volunteers planted 500 seedlings. These were propagated by a NNRC volunteer.

Planting day at Garnet Kelly Reserve in May 2018 where over 100 seedlings were planted prior to the Rededication of Garnet Kelly Reserve as part of Heritage month.

## **COMMUNITY NURSERY**

Opening day at the community nursery located at the Yankalilla Council Depot was held in May. This was well attended and we are planning working bees in the near future.

## **LOCAL WALKS**

During day light savings the NNRC organised local monthly walks:-

- ⇒ Cape Jervis
- ⇒ Tallisker Mine, Deep Cree
- ⇒ Yulte Conservation Park, Myponga
- ⇒ Second Valley

## **BIRDWATCHING—FANTAIL FOODIES**

The bird watching group was very active this year with a camp out to Kangaroo Island in September where 82 different species of birds were sighted. Other trips went to:-

- ⇒ Scott Creek Conservation Park
- ⇒ Onkaparinga Estuary
- ⇒ Mundoo Island
- ⇒ Tolderol
- ⇒ Harrogate
- ⇒ Thompson Beach & Port Clinton

## **GARDENING GROUP—BAKE & RAKE**

The gardening group visited one member's garden each month including a native garden at Inman Valley where they were able to take a variety of cuttings to propagate at home.



**COMMUNITY NURSERY**



**BIRD WATCHING**



**LOCAL WALKS**

# NNRC REPORT FOR 2017-2018

## KIDS ACTIVITIES

The NNRC held 2 school holiday activities at the local community centre. Leaf Placemats and Pebble painting which were both very popular events with nearly 60 children attending.

I was invited to attend the Stem@Fleurieu Summit in Goolwa by the Yankalilla Area School after working with a couple of classes concerning how they could help the health of the Bungala River.



## YACCA LILLA

The NNRC in conjunction with the Yankalilla Community Centre held four YACCA (Youth and Community in Conservation Action) Group events from August to December:-

- \* August—Bird Seed Hangers
- \* September—Propagation
- \* October— Bird Watching
- \* November—Bug'n'Slugs



Unfortunately we were not able to attract the age group we were targeting and decided to cancel the program until we could get the school more involved.

## BUNGALA RIVER

The NNRC sent out a survey to all its members a few years ago and when asked what was the most important issue in the local community, the health of the Bungala River was at the top of the list. In March a group representing the NNRC and the Yankalilla District Council visited the Food Forest in Gawler as they had been involved in the restoration of the Gawler River. In June, Graham & Anne-Marie Brookman from the Food Forest visited the area and walked along the Bungala River. They then presented at a community meeting run by the NNRC at the Normanville Hotel. There was a lot of interest in this project and a sub committee was been formed. Each participant was asked what their priorities for the river were. These will be discussed at the next sub committee meeting.





# VEGGIE SWAP



# **NNRC REPORT FOR 2017-2018**

## **VEGGIE SWAP**

Veggie Swap has been held on the first Saturday of each month. The numbers have fallen during the year and people do not tend to hang around for long. The committee has decided that the future swaps will be held on the first Saturday of each season, so there will only be 4 held each year. These swaps will also incorporate a demonstration or workshop as well as entertainment to encourage swappers to stay and have a chat. In June participants learnt to grow cacti in recycled corks. A newsletter will also be sent out prior to each swap.

## **RECYCLING & RECREATE**

The centre currently has recycling bins for:-

- ⇒ **Mobile Phones**
- ⇒ **Oral Care packaging**
- ⇒ **Light weight aluminium**
- ⇒ **Printer cartridges**
- ⇒ **Corks**

Unfortunately we had to cease recycling soft plastic when the local recycling depot stopped taking it, but are currently looking at working with a local not for profit group to build a soft plastic shredding machine.

## **FREE LITTLE LIBRARIES**

The centre now has 4 Free Little Libraries which are registered with the Free Little Library organisation and appear on their world map as well as the Australian Street Library website. Libraries are located at:-

- ⇒ **Normanville**
- ⇒ **Inman Valley**
- ⇒ **Cape Jervis**
- ⇒ **Second Valley**

## **HOODED PLOVER MONITORING**

There are currently thirteen Hooded Plover volunteer monitors between Myponga Beach and Lands End Beach who actively inspect specific beaches during the breeding season from August to March and help erect the necessary fencing when required. Unfortunately we did not have any successful fledglings this season.

# NNRC REPORT FOR 2017-2018

## MEMBERS /VOLUNTEERS & NEWSLETTERS

As of June 2018 the NNRC had 661 members and 25 registered volunteers. The NNRC produces a quarterly newsletter which is sent out to all members.

## WEBSITE

The website is updated on a regular basis. Monthly features include book of the month, Bird Field Trip reports, Quarterly Newsletters and Hooded Plover sightings.



## FACEBOOK

The NNRC also has 3 face book pages:-

NNRC at [www.facebook.com/NormanvilleNaturalResourceCentre](http://www.facebook.com/NormanvilleNaturalResourceCentre)

Veggie Swap Facebook at [www.facebook.com/NormanvilleVeggieSwap](http://www.facebook.com/NormanvilleVeggieSwap)

ReCreate Facebook at [www.facebook.com/NormanvilleReCreateProgram](http://www.facebook.com/NormanvilleReCreateProgram)

## REFERENCE MATERIAL

The NNRC currently has 888 reference materials available for loan including 14 magazine titles. A book and magazine are reviewed each month for the Yankalilla News.

## BROCHURES

Two brochures were produced by volunteers this year:-

- Indigenous Trees of the Fleurieu Peninsula
- Owls & Nightjars of the Western Fleurieu Peninsula

