



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

# NEWSLETTER

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**REMINDER** - CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY SUNDAY 1ST MARCH AT 10 AM AT THE CENTRE. IF YOU COULD SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS TO HELP CLEAN UP YOUR LOCAL AREA PLEASE CONTACT THE CENTRE.

## FLEURIEU FESTIVAL



**Flashy Fleurieu Feathers** – Bookings essential for this fascinating look at birdlife on the Fleurieu through the eyes of local artists, with Professor Chris Daniels speaking about all things feathered. Enjoy a glass of bubbly and local cheese whilst viewing the fabulous sunset over the gulf.

This event is being held at the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club, on Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 5.00 pm for a cost of \$10.00. Please book at the Visitor Information Centre and hurry tickets are selling fast!

**Veggie Swap and Fiesta Fleurieu Street Party** – Veggie Swap will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 10 am to coincide

with the street party. The centre will then have an information stand for the rest of the day, as well as storytelling and the Mother of Dorff, inflatable Leafy Sea Dragon. This free event will transform the main street of Normanville into a European-style town square with local music, quirky performance, coffee, great food and delicious wine.

The NYLON ZOO will be one of the many children's attractions at the street party, which is a choreographed participatory event – the kids are the dancers and performers! Fly like a bird, hop like a frog or kangaroo, twirl in a rainbow cape, swim like a fish, bobble like a hoopla mushroom.

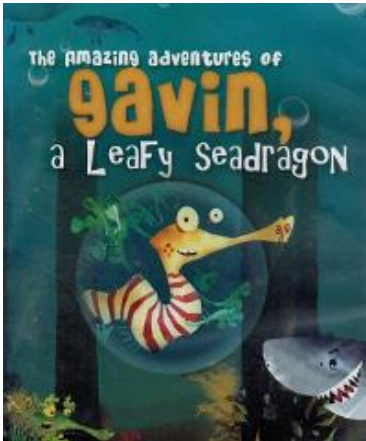


At 12.45 pm and 2.00 pm kids can come along to the NYLON ZOO pick out a costume, listen to a story about Leafy Sea Dragons and take part in a 15 minute parade following the SaSamba Drummers through the main street of Normanville. Bookings essential please contact the Normanville Natural Resource Centre on 8558 3644 for this free event.

If you have some spare time on this day we are looking for volunteers to do a 2 hour stint watching over the kids on the inflatable dragon. Please contact the centre 8558 3644 if you are interested.

### **The Amazing Adventures of Gavin, a leafy Seadragon - From White Pointers to**

Nudibranchs, Cuttle Fish to Sea Lions, Gavin a Leafy Seadragon, rubs fins and swaps yarns along South Australia's magnificent coastline as his adolescent journey of self discovery leads him home. Bring the kids along to watch this 17 minute DVD anytime from 10 am – 3 pm from 13-17 April at the Resource Centre.



## **KNOWING, GROWING AND EATING EDIBLE WILD NATIVE PLANTS**

Neville Bonney will be giving a presentation at the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 on edible wild native plants. Neville has been at the forefront of promoting Australian Native Flora for fifty years. His passion has covered aspects such as propagation, landscaping, seed collection and germination, farm forestry, bush botany, tree planting, broad acre direct seeding, revegetation, creating natural habitats, ethno botany and as an educator. He has written many books which will be available on the night. **Bookings are essential as we will also be enjoying some samples during the evening.**

Edible wild food plants is the term used when talking about any edible food that has originated from plant material. These can be items such as fruit, fungi, nuts, leaves, seeds, tubers, fleshy rhizomes and even seaweeds. These may come from the bush, seashores or grown domestically in orchards or within revegetation projects.



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## LOCAL WALKS



Our last monthly walk was a historic wander around Normanville. Margaret Morgan from the Yankalilla and District Historical Society lead 20 of us through the back streets of Normanville where we were amazed at the history of some of the places we consider common place, having no idea of their importance in the development of this area. It was so interesting we hope to have a historical walk of Yankalilla towards the end of the year.

Our next walk is on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March and we will be heading up to Big Gorge, Yankalilla Bay at 4.30 pm. This walk also has lots of history as Light surveyed the area in 1836, his recording in his diary stated *"Out surveying, and walked up the valley; running in south-easterly direction, between very high hills. I was enchanted with this spot, it put me in mind of some of the orchards in Devonshire, and I found it plentifully supplied with fresh water. From this valley we ascended the hills, crossed over the sea-coast, and returned to our tents; the whole distance fine soil."* This was the Big Gorge. After settlement the historic coach road, which linked Adelaide with Yankalilla and Cape Jervis turned up the Big Gorge so we should be able to walk past the ruins of the old Two-Storey Hotel. If you would like to join us please contact the centre on 8558 3644.

## FREE LITTLE LIBRARIES

Have you checked out our 'Free Little Library' (FLL) in front of the Resource Centre yet! It is proving very popular with locals and tourists. This initiative has been made possible by funds gifted to the Yankalilla Community Library by Jean Jervis.

The FLL stocks around 30 books, magazines and sometimes a few CDs. The idea is to take a book and leave a book. It can be accessed 24 hours a day.

There is now a second Free Little Library installed at Second Valley near the Progress Association's notice board near the beach. If you have any books that you would like to donate we would love to put them in our FLL's and feel free to take a book to read from one of these little libraries!

Thanks again to our creative volunteers for making these FLL's, the next one will be located at Cape Jervis. We are still looking for someone to build our final Free Little Library so if you have some spare time and a bit of creativity please contact the centre.



**The Centre has now restocked the Fleurieu Bird Book - so come in and get a copy for \$35.00!**

**We also have some information on rabbit control from the recent Pest Control Workshop in the area, so if you are having problems, just drop in pick up a copy of this information.**

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

## EVENT CALENDAR

Sunday 1st March - Clean Up Australia Day \*

Thursday 5th March - ReCreate \*

Saturday 7th March - Veggie Swap

Thursday 19th March - ReCreate \*

Thursday 26th March - Local Walk \*

Thursday 2nd April - ReCreate \*

Saturday 11th April - Veggie Swap (note special date)

Thursday 11th April - Fiesta Fleurieu Street Party

Thursday 16th April - Flashy Fleurieu Feathers \*

Thursday 30th April - ReCreate \*

Saturday 2nd May - Veggie Swap

Thursday 7th May - Knowing, Growing & Eating Native Edible Plants\*

Thursday 14th May - ReCreate \*

Thursday 28th May - ReCreate \*

Saturday 6th June- Veggie Swap

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