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1. PROVIDE COVER FOR MIRNU WIRRA

by Shane Sody

Do you have an umbrella? Do you Love Your Park Lands? If so, we need you on Sunday 4 June, to provide "cover" for the threatened biodiversity of Golden Wattle Park / Mirnu Wirra (Park 21W).

With hundreds of others, use your umbrella to signal to the State Government that there is community "cover" for Park Lands, and that new Police barracks must go on a non-Park Lands site.



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2. WHAT THEY WANT TO DESTROY

by Shane Sody

Spread the word! These are the wildflowers that won't have a chance if the State Government goes ahead with current plans to put an enormous semi-industrial police workplace onto the most biodiverse part of your Adelaide Park Lands.





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3. PREMIER LOOKING FOR AN OFF-RAMP

by Shane Sody

The State Government is holding urgent discussions with the Police Commissioner and others to try to head off growing public anger at its proposed massive attack on your Park Lands for new Police barracks.

The Government is feeling the heat, after a 2,000 signature petition arrived at Parliament House, and the Legislative Council looks set to launch a Select Committee of Inquiry into mis-management of your Park Lands.



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4. BIRDING TO BUSH BLING

by Carla Caruso

Meet Christopher Hunter: designer of wildlife, pop-art fashion accessories, bird-watcher, former art dealer, and one of many Adelaide residents who Love Your Park Lands.

APA's Carla Caruso chatted to Christopher to find out more about his passions.



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5. ART PRIZE ENTERS FINAL PHASE

by Shane Sody

The final cash prize of the 2023 Adelaide Park Lands Art Prize, the People's Choice Award, has been handed out, but many of these inspirational Park Lands artworks are still available, for purchase, for a short time only.



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6. WE NEED YOU - PLEASE JOIN US

We are a grassroots community organisation. We <u>Explore, Inspire, Protect, and Restore.</u>

But we are only as strong as our **Members** and our **Volunteers**.

You are receiving the non-members version of this newsletter which means you're not (yet) a Member of our team.

Will you help us to spread the word, to encourage others (especially the State Government!) to Love Your Park Lands?

There are two ways to do that: as a Member, or as a Volunteer (or both!)



If you were to become an APA <u>member</u>, you would then be able to book for any of our Guided Walks for free, and you would also unlock 15% discounts to all the merch in <u>the APA Shop</u>.

More importantly, your membership fee (as low as \$15 per year for a single concession) would be tangible support for our Park Lands strategies: Explore, Inspire, Protect and Restore.

If you were to become <u>a volunteer</u>, there's a wide range of things you could do to help in one or more of our strategic activities.

Check out the volunteer options here.

Join our team

Become a member here

Pick a volunteer role

here

7.PLAYING POSSUM

by Shane Sody

Who, or what, is attacking Park Lands possums? And why are they underweight, compared to their country cousins? Adelaide University researcher Tara McKenzie has made some surprising discoveries in your Park 17.



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8. KNOW YOUR PARK LANDS PLANTS - BLUE GUMS

by Juliet Bodycomb

The Adelaide Park Lands are home to many kinds of plants, but it's not always easy to identify them.

We'll help you, one species at a time. First up, here's a guide to the South Australian blue gum: Eucalyptus leucoxylon.



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9. LOVING VINTAGE AND YOUR PARKS

by Carla Caruso

A passion for vintage-shopping often goes hand-in-hand with a love of the environment.

Laura Russell fits this to a tee. As well as founding a vintage wedding and event

hire business and enjoying swing dancing, she loves nothing more than cycling in your Adelaide Park Lands.



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10. LORD MAYOR "SHOCKED" BY "MEGALITH" SPORTS SITE PLANS

by Thomas Kelsall of InDaily

Lord Mayor Jane Lomax-Smith has raised concerns about the "colossal" size of proposed sporting club redevelopments to replace ageing and rundown facilities in city park lands, amid debate over whether Adelaide City Council should limit their building footprint.

InDaily's Thomas Kelsall reports:



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11. VOMIT-FLAVOURED CUSTARD

Words: Shane Sody and Drew Sinton; Photos: Drew Sinton

It's been described as the world's most polarising fruit.

On Sunday 7 May, Adelaide's Malaysian Community braved the rain to attend Taste of Malaysia's Durian Fest in Bonython Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27).



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12. LATEST TRAIL GUIDE - ADELAIDE OVAL PRECINCT

Over the past few years we've been gradually compiling the definitive Guide to your Park Lands. Our collection of Trail Guides points out the notable features in each Park, so you can explore and learn as you walk through.

Just released: our Trail Guide to Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) - the Adelaide Oval precinct.



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13. ADMIN HELP NEEDED

Do you have an organised mind? Do you like putting things in order?

The Adelaide Park Lands Association has been growing rapidly over the past two years and we urgently need behind-the-scenes help just keeping up with the rapid growth. Specifically, we need a volunteer membership/admin officer to respond to new and renewing members, and to keep our mailing lists up to date.



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P.S. It's National Volunteering Week: 15-21 May. A massive thank you to all our existing volunteers, including our Park Ambassadors.

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