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## 1. PREMIER: WE'RE NOT AT WAR

by Shane Sody

Premier Peter Malinauskas says his Government has been subject to "an unfair characterisation that suggests that we've declared war on the Park Lands."

The Premier has received the names of 7,500 people who've signed a petition, urging him to choose a win-win brownfield site for a new \$135 million two-storey Aquatic and commercial centre.



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## 2. AQUATIC CENTRE - COUNCIL HITS PAUSE

by Shane Sody

Adelaide City Council has paused processes that might green-light the State Government's proposed new \$135 million megalith aquatic and commercial centre in your Park Lands.

In deciding the fate of your Park Lands, the City Council is caught between the demands of the State Government, and the clearly-expressed wishes of its own community.



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## 3. WHAT'S ON IN YOUR PARK LANDS, OCTOBER 2023

by Michael Genrich

Our "What's On" list for October is the biggest ever! The annual Nature Festival, Wellfest, Trees for Life "Regenerate" and our own Guided Walks are just some of the dozens of opportunities and attractions in your Park Lands over the next few weeks.



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## 4. EXHIBITION IN CONSERVATORY

by Carla Caruso

The Wildlife Photographer of the Year contest captures fascinating animal behaviour and breathtaking biodiversity from across the planet.

Now, in a world-first, the Adelaide Botanic Gardens rainforest conservatory in your Park 11 is the leafy venue for the exhibition.



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## 5. WE NEED YOUR HELP

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, or perhaps a previous membership has expired.

Will you help us? There are two ways to do that: as a <u>Member</u>, or as a <u>Volunteer</u> (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 \$20 per year for a single concession) would be tangible support for our Park Lands strategies: <a href="Explore, Inspire">Explore, Inspire</a>, <a href="Protect and Restore">Protect and Restore</a>.

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. For example,

- becoming a Park Ambassador. (See<u>the story below: 8. Park Ambassador Curious?)</u>; or
- writing stories for our **blog** and future editions of this newsletter.

Check out the full range of volunteer options here.

# Join our team Become a member here

# Pick a volunteer role here

## 6. WHAT ARE "DESIRE LINES"?

by Carla Caruso

Humans or animals sometimes create unplanned trails through your Park Lands, simply by walking the shortest route across the landscape.

These "desire lines" are being documented and featured in art, thanks to Adelaide artist and curator Sarah Northcott.



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## 7. KNOW YOUR PARK LANDS PLANTS - DROOPING SHEOAK

by Juliet Bodycomb

We're helping you to learn about the plants in your Open, Green, Public Adelaide Park Lands, one species at a time.

Today: drooping sheoak!



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## 8. PARK AMBASSADOR CURIOUS?

by Shane Sody

Come and try it! Find out about joining our team of Park Ambassadors in 2024.

An information session on Monday 6 November will show you how easy it is to be the eyes and ears and voice of one Park within your Adelaide Park Lands.



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## 9. NO TRUTH TO INDYCAR RUMOURS

by Matt Coch of Speedcafe.com

Rumours about yet another annual motorsport event - high-powered "IndyCars" taking over your Adelaide Park Lands appear to have no substance.



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## 10. DRY AREAS - REGULATION REVIEW

Parts of your southern Park Lands are declared "dry areas" - meaning no alcohol at any time, day or night.

The existing regulations are due to expire in December and the City Council is seeking your feedback on what changes, if any, should be made.



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