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1. LORD MAYOR'S STUNNING ADMISSION

by Shane Sody

Adelaide Lord Mayor Jane Lomax-Smith has broken a tied vote in the City Council chamber, and used her rarely-exercised casting vote to support a State Government \$135 million attack on your Park Lands.



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2. STAY-AT-HOME POSSUMS: SCARED OR CONTENTED?

by Tara MacKenzie

Why are the possums in your Park Lands such stay-at-home types?

Adelaide University researcher and APA intern, Tara McKenzie, has revealed the sedentary lifestyle of three Park Lands possums, who seem to be either very cautious, or very contented with their home range.



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3. DANCING MONSTERS IN MIRNU WIRRA

by Carla Caruso

While some fear monsters lurking in the dark, an event organiser says the real "monster" is our growing anxiety around heading outdoors.

Daniel Havey is encouraging people to reconnect with nature after dark, by

dancing in costume, in Golden Wattle Park / Mirnu Wirra (Park 21W of your #adelaideparklands) on Sunday, October 15.



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4. PLACE TO REFLECT

by Carla Caruso

Members of the Stolen Generations now have a dedicated space in the city to reflect and connect, with a Place of Reflection now open in Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14).

At the centre of the space is a bronze sculpture, created by renowned Ngarrindjerri weaver Aunty Yvonne Koolmatrie and South Australian designer Karl Meyer.



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5. WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are a grassroots community organisation. We [Explore, Inspire, Protect, and Restore](#).

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 [Member](#), or as a [Volunteer](#) (or both!)



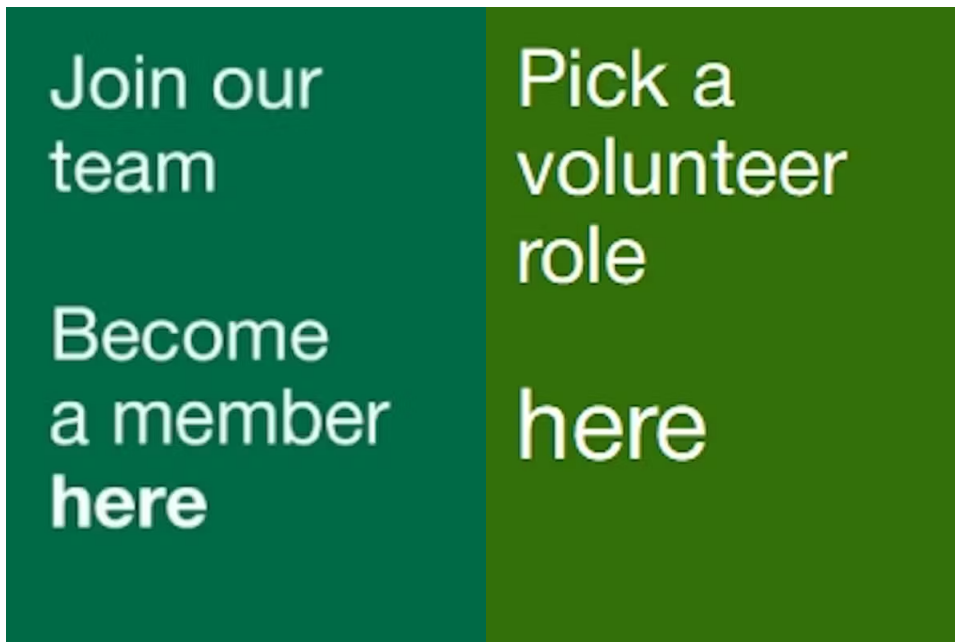
If you were to become an APA [member](#), you would then be able to book for any of our Guided Walks for free, and you would also unlock 15% discounts to all the merch in [the APA Shop](#).

More importantly, your membership fee (as low as \$20 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 [a volunteer](#), 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; (come to our [introductory session on 6 November](#)); or
- writing stories for our [blog](#) and future editions of this newsletter.

Check out the full range of volunteer options [here](#).



6. KNOW YOUR PARK LANDS PLANTS - STICKY HOP-BUSH

by Natarsha McPherson

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

Today: sticky hop-bush!



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7. COUNT THE BIRDS

by InDaily's William Barker

Will you help to count the birds in your Adelaide Park Lands?

October 16 to 22 is National Bird Week, and the tenth annual Aussie Bird Count.



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8. TALKING ARROW POINTS ***

Members of the Adelaide Archery Club have been practising their sport in Bullrush Park / Warnpangga (Park 10 of your Adelaide Park Lands) for more than 70 years.

Rhia Daniel looks back at the Club's history, and its plans to expand its facilities, with the help of a City Council grant.



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9. MOTOR RACE SHELVES CAMPGROUND PLANS

by Daniel Herrero of Speedcafe.com

Organisers of the annual V8 supercars race have not given up their hope of setting up a temporary camp for motor homes in your Adelaide Park Lands, during next year's or future events.

Their plans to have up to 150 campervans in your Park Lands this year have been dropped, after opposition from the City Council.



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10. DEMOLISHING A "SENSE OF PLACE"

by Noris Ioannou

Our contributing cultural historian, Dr Noris Ioannou, laments the upcoming demolition of heritage-listed police barracks and historic olive trees in your Park 27.

Dr Ioannou argues that destruction of these landmarks will prevent future South Australians from being able to step back in time and see life through the eyes of those from the past.



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11. "WORLD'S ONLY" - DOCUMENTARY TRAILER

Adelaide's Fiona Delaine is the presenter-narrator of a forthcoming documentary about your Adelaide Park Lands.

The documentary is set to premiere on Friday 10 November. Here's the trailer:



[Watch the trailer >>>>](#)

12. SIX PARK LANDS THINGS TO DO

Every month we publish a list of 'What's On in Your Park Lands'. (See the [October 2023 edition here.](#))

Now, CityMag and City of Adelaide have published their own list of perennial favourite Park Lands activities that you can enjoy almost any time.



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