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**1. BE A LUNGS LIFEGUARD - SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER**

*by Shane Sody*

Swimming is great for your lungs. Mature established trees are also great for your lungs. But the State Government doesn't want you to have both.

Premier Peter Malinauskas and Lucy Hood want to chop down dozens of trees in your Park Lands.

Help to get something much better. Come to your Park 2 on Sunday 12 November, at 1pm, to be a "lungs lifeguard".



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## 2. PARK AMBASSADOR CURIOUS AND MOVIE PREMIERE

*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.

The session will also include the first screening of "World's Only" our soon-to-be-released documentary.



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## 3. NEW POCKET FORESTS COMING

*by South East City Residents Association*

At least four hundred new trees will be planted next year in your Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16).

The South-East City Residents Association is working with the City of Adelaide to decide where the trees will be planted, and possible locations, for new "pocket forests".



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#### 4. WILL CANBERRA PROTECT?

*by Shane Sody*

You had only a very short time - only until Tuesday 31 October - to tell Federal Environment Minister Tanya Plibersek how a three-billion dollar hospital and eight-storey car park would affect your Open, Green, Public National Heritage-listed Adelaide Park Lands.



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#### 5. WE NEED YOU

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

But we are only as strong as our [Members](#); our [Volunteers](#); and our [Donors](#).

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 three ways to do that: as a [Member](#), as a [Volunteer](#) or as a [Donor](#).



If you were to become an APA [member](#), then 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. WHAT'S ON IN YOUR PARK LANDS, NOVEMBER 2023

*by Michael Genrich*

Dive into these events we've found for you in your Open, Green, Public Adelaide Park Lands, up until the end of November.

Some of them will require early booking, so don't delay! Join the fun in exploring, exercising, relaxing, learning, or being entertained.



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## 7. NEW RULES FOR SPORT BUILDINGS?

Within your Adelaide Park Lands are dozens of sports buildings leased to various schools and sports clubs.

Many of these buildings are showing their age and need renovation, while demand is growing to cater for increased sports participation by women and girls.

How should the City of Adelaide respond? You're invited to have your say.



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## 8. NATIONAL GONG FOR WETLANDS

The wetland in your Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) is among the prizewinners in this year's Australian Institute of Landscape Architects' national awards.

The wetland has won the National "Climate Positive Design Award".



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## 9. RESTORATION: BACK TO SQUARE ONE

*by Shane Sody*

There's been a setback to our hopes of re-greening one or more degraded parts of your Adelaide Park Lands.

The doorway that would have allowed you to re-green even a small part of your Park Lands has been slammed shut, at least for now.



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## 10. URGENT ACTION PLEA FOR TREES

*by Carla Caruso*

Just weeks before chainsaws are set to start tearing down dozens of mature trees in your Adelaide Park Lands, a Labor-chaired Parliamentary Committee has made recommendations that will embarrass the Premier.



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## 11. VANDALS STRIKE AT KAURNA NAMES

*by Shane Sody*

Racist vandals have attacked signage in your Adelaide Park Lands to remove the Kaurna names of Parks.



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## 12.PLEASSED TO MEET YOU, TULLY

*by Carla Caruso*

We love featuring parkgoers who, in turn, LOVE your Park Lands.

This month, we're chatting to Tully Haines, who enjoys nothing more than taking photos in your parks, checking out live music and sports outdoors, and hanging out with his pet cats.





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### 13.VEALE GARDENS RENEWAL UPDATE

The City of Adelaide has issued a progress report on its landscaping improvements to Veale Gardens, in Veale Park / Walyu Yarta (Park 21).

On 25 October, the Council advised that creek enhancements were almost complete, and finishing touches were being made to soil erosion improvements near the pedestrian bridge.

Some new Carey Gully rocks were being added to the footbridge.



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