

Monthly newsletter

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DOWN MEMORY LANE – MAY/JUNE 1983

By Frank Truscott

There doesn't seem to have been a May Meeting, but the May outing was on the 28th to the Jandowae area and "could not have come at a wetter time", according to recorder Ross Tait. Amongst others, we visited Len and Jocelyn Martin's property "Coondambo" (which has since changed ownership) and the Devil's Face which we re-visited recently on Denver's outing.

The June meeting was held on the 17th and included numerous fungal exhibits from the Jandowae area. Notice was given of the forthcoming Western trip and of excursions to Carnarvon Gorge and Blackdown Tableland by Jack and May Bennie. Guest speakers were Terry and Thelma Rayner whose subject was their 1980 trip to W.A.

The June outing was on the 25th to the Gurulmundi east area, led by Rodney Smith. It, too, was a damp trip and Sundews were plentiful.

MANAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES MAY 2018

Date: 18TH May 2018

Venue: Rennick Residence Wood Street Chinchilla

Time: 6.35 pm

Present: B and H Rennick, K and F Truscott, L. Plant, D. Kanowski, H and J. Mason

Apologies: Nil

Minutes:

Business Arising:

- Leigh still to follow up ATO regarding ABN. Heather Mason to check when the work will take place.
- March outing to Jandowae and Iron Pot areas was very much enjoyed by all who attended.

Correspondence:

Inward:

- Newsletters
- Letter from Axiom
- Invitation from RMIT University to participate in a research project
- Heritage Letter re change of address

Outward:

Heather to attend to Heritage request and post.

L. Plant moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward endorsed.

Seconded by J. Mason......Carried

Treasurer's Report:

H. Mason presented the Treasurer's Report and moved her report for adoption.

Seconded by D. Kanowski......Carried

H. Mason presented accounts for payment

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H. Mason moved the account be passed for payment. Seconded by F. Truscott......Carried

General Business

A letter of thanks to be sent via email to Glen and Coralie and Colin and Margaret Humphrys for their wonderful hospitality and interesting guidance throughout the area on the Jandowae – Iron Pot outing.

Program

15th June General Meeting 7.30pm

NZ Trip – John and Heather Mason

June Outing To be advised

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20th July Management Meeting 6.00pm

General Meeting 7.30pm

Galapagos Islands Trip – Frank and Kath Truscott

21st July Outing – Chinchilla Weir and local area – Leaders J and H Mason or Bonfire at Truscotts

17th August General Meeting 7.30pm

PNG Trip – Denver Kanowski

August Outing: To be advised – Goranba Lane – Leader Len Hubbard

21st September Management Meeting 6.00pm

General Meeting 7.30pm

Ecuador Trip - Frank and Kath Truscott

No September Outing

Meeting closed 7.15p.m.

NATURE NOTE

By Frank Truscott

Kath and I recently visited Steve and Cindy Grimes at their new property near Hannaford. It is mainly Brigalow/Belah and is fairly flat with lots of dams and Forks Creek running through it. The dams were full

and there were some full waterholes in the creek. Highlights were Brolgas (RIGHT) and Koalas (LEFT, BELOW), of which there are about six in residence, including a half-grown joey which was giving mum a hard time. It was wonderful to see the Koalas, particularly so because of their scarcity around Chinchilla. We found some Slaters on the move as well (RIGHT BELOW), not in large numbers as we have seen in the past, but more than usual on the surface. Several Mistletoes were found, including the Yellow and Green-flowered Harlequin Mistletoe, as well as a land Snail shell and a



Rufous Whistler (IN THE BOTTOM ROW). We are welcome to have a nats outing to Steve and Cindy's place, so we might like to think about that for the program.















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CLUB NOTICES

June 15th General Meeting 7.30pm – NZ Trip – John and Heather Mason photos

June23rd Gurulmundi outing. Meet at the Gurulmundi Hall at 9 a.m. If you are staying over at Possum

Park, please make your own arrangements.

July 20th CWA rooms. Management Meeting 6 p.m. General Meeting 7.30. Truscott's photos from

the Galapagos Islands.

July 21st Outing. Chinchilla Weir and local area – Leaders J and H Mason or Bonfire at Truscotts

Weather permitting we might have a BBQ, bonfire and astronomy at Truscott's afterwards.

August 17th CWA rooms – 7.30pm General meeting. Guest speaker: Denver Kanowski with his Papua-

New Guinea presentation.

August Outing -TBA

LEN HUBBARD'S RARE WATTLE OUTING

September 1st - 2nd

To get the best display time of acacias during dry times is very difficult. They appear to be later this year.

- A. Acacia leiocalyx often starts to bloom in late April. Last week 4th June, found one tree with two tails.
- B. All other species well budded.
- C. This outing is not so much as to see every wattle that grows here but to look at a few rarer species that persist in this area e.g. long phyllode variety of A. rigens, A. lauta and A. lineata.
- D. SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER: Meet at the park in KOGAN 9.00 a.m. To Goranba Lane, Tara, Crossroads, Chinchilla. Full day trip.
- E. SUNDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER: Meet at the Tourist Information Centre Chinchilla at 8.30 am. To Nudley Forestry, Ballon, Chinchilla. Full day trip.
- F. Those who wish to get back to Brisbane Sunday afternoon can exit Nudley Forestry earlier in the afternoon via Jandowae and Dalby.
- G. CONTACT: Len, Joan Hubbard. 07 46627065.

September 21st CWA rooms. Management Meeting 6 p.m. General Meeting 7.30. Guest Speaker: Truscott's Ecuador photos.

No September outing - The 2018 ANN get-together is on in Victoria

October/November. Spicers "Hidden Vale" near Grandchester as a possible outing.

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