

Southern ACT Catchment Group Coordinators Report May 2010

'Tales of Tidbinbilla; a resource and memento for Tidbinbilla visitors':

- 'Tales of Tidbinbilla Heritage Grant project is progressing well. Most of the script is now complete. We have applied for another Heritage Grant to enable a larger print run.

Living with Lovegrass:

- Continued planning for African Lovegrass workshop: 'Living with Lovegrass – Learning from each other on how to control African Lovegrass'. Date 22 May 2010 at Namadgi Visitor Centre. 51 people so far!

The Scrivener Hill Lookout project:

- Isaacs Ridge/Mt Mugga Mugga Park Care Group is coordinating the project involving the planting of 300 trees and 200 shrubs on Scrivener Hill. Scrivener Hill (696.8m) is to the west of East O'Malley. The planting took place on Saturday 17, Sunday 18 and Monday 19 April 2010. Work continues on planting of shrubs and applying mulch.

Community Action Grants:

- Funds from the Caring for Our Country Community Action Grants to assist with the restoring the remnant Yellow box / Redgum woodland at Tuggeranong Homestead have been deposited into our account. Steve and Jenny have met with Neil Gillespie and are progressing the planning.

IT & Office:

IT

- Web updates & maintenance being undertaken by Rod Dickson.

Office

- All current accounts paid as of 20/05/10.

Other Activities

- Attended CLA
- Completed and submitted ACT Environment Grants 2006 acquittal for Farrer Ridge walking trail erosion control project.
- Continued production and distribution of fortnightly email news to reduce the number of emails I distribute.
- Met with representatives from the Office of the Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment to discuss how we can work together to engage the community in the consultation on the investigation into Canberra Nature Park.
- Completed and submitted application for additional funding from the ACT Heritage Grants for Tidbinbilla book.
- Completed ACT Environment Grant application for 'ACT Community Weed Control Assistance' and seeking letters of support.
- Liaised with proponents of 'Brindabella Banding' project re sponsorship for ACT Environment Grant.

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- 1 week on recreation leave.