



Ngarkat Conservation Park Interclub Working Bee 16th, 17th, 18th March 2012

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BORDER TRACK COMMITTEE



Ngarkat Working Bee 2012

Due to activity overload in April 2012, the next Ngarkat Interclub Working Bee will be on **16th-18th March 2012**.

Border Track Committee –

New Directors – Same Direction

After many years of highly successful leadership of Border Track Committee, Sue Linnell (Mitsubishi Club) has passed over the reins to new Chairman Peter Harper (Toyota/Gawler and Districts Clubs) and Darryl McManus (4WD Adventurers Club).

Peter and Darryl have been busy with the handover from Sue, and continuing with the same successful formula planning their first Interclub Working Bee.

Meet at Pine Hut Soak campsite

Set up camp Fri 16th afternoon / evening
OR arrive Sat 17th by 9:00 am.

Directions: From Tailem Bend, follow the Mallee Highway; 5km west of Pinnaroo turn right on to Rosy Pine Lane (Ngarkat Park sign at this point, see RAA map 'Upper South East ref:J2); continue south for approximately 17 km. The campsite is located just inside the Park entrance.

Ref - 35° 25.319'S 140° 52.771'E
UTM zone 54 489062E 6080152N

Comms: UHF Channel 16 :

Satellite phone: Emergencies only; incoming/outgoing calls (Peter) 014 715 3114; (Darryl) 0424 212 534

Camping: Camper trailers and caravans can be accommodated It has one very good long drop but you need to bring everything else (water, food, shelter)

Please note that 16th-18th March will still be in fireban time so the "camp fire" will need to be artificial (Gas Stove will be OK unless Total Fire Ban in place)

Grants for Ngarkat Projects

Getting out of the starting blocks quickly, Chairman Peter Harper successfully applied for a Volunteer Support grant.

A cheque for \$4710 was recently received from the SA Govt. Minister for Environment and Conservation Paul Caica with his thanks for supporting the environment as a volunteer for the DENR. The grant was for the following projects,

Chain Grader Improvements.....\$3255
Banksia Seed Distribution.....\$1455

Less Border Track Damage

Recently Peter and Darryl met Rebecca Pudney Senior Ranger Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) at Ngarkat.

They reviewed the various tracks and noted that the one way section of the Border Track was in very good condition after its year of use. However 30 sites were recognised where useful remediation work could be done in the 2012 working bee.

Activities will include:

- Repairs to existing wire and poly pipe barriers
- Construction of new barriers
- Filling selected track sections with gravel
- Trimming overgrowing shrubs

Equipment to bring:

Box Trailers: some would be useful (we have a few tonnes of materials to move)

Tools - post hole digging tools, pruners, loppers, bow saw, handsaw, crowbar, shovel, rake, hand tools, etc

Personal - working gloves, good footwear, drinking water, sun protection (hat, long sleeves, long pants, sun screen). **Bring high visibility vests or clothing and possibly share them with your fellow workers.**

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Important Note - let us know in advance

- When you plan to arrive?
- No.of people and vehicles in your party?
- If you are bringing a trailer?

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