



# FRIENDS OF MORWELL NATIONAL PARK INC.

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## JULY NEWSLETTER

Hello Friends

We had an excellent turnout for the last tree planting -the sunny weather brought out all the "old" regulars and some new people. Thanks to all concerned and welcome to the newcomers. It was great that several children came along too, making 25 people or more. In addition, a group of 11 scouts/parents had taken a lot of the treeguards, stakes etc. up before the planting day which gave us a good start. It was quite a difficult chore with the steep slope of the planting site, and there was a bit of scrambling and slithering (on my part anyway!) but everyone worked hard and a total of 256 trees were planted. Well done. Species are: Applebox 64; Peppermint 64; Grey Gum 64; Silver Wattle 32; Blackwood 32.

In addition wire treeguards were put around the 25 surviving trees from the previous planting in 1990. We should expect a good survival rate this time with proper treeguards, and the steady rain which fell the week after the planting.

The next planting on the 19th July will be at a much easier FLAT site, along the Creek, towards Junction Road from the 1991 plantings. We will meet at Braniff's Road and it is a simple walk down the slope to the creek, over the Creek, then turn right. Signposts will be erected. Note however that you will need suitable footwear to ford the creek. We used most of the newspapers at the last planting so further supplies are needed.

**Date:** Sunday 19th July  
**Time:** 10.00 am onwards  
**Place:** End of Braniff's Road  
**Bring:** Newspapers and tools (mallet, wire cutters, pliers, trowel, spade) as last time. Your lunch. BBQ provided, (BYO food)

Good weather as for the June planting has been ordered but if any of you have any influence in this direction, please use it!

A letter was forwarded on behalf of the Group to the State Minister of Conservation expressing the Group's concerns over sections of the Wildlife Act, as discussed at the June planting. A press release was forwarded to me. Both these papers and the actual Act will be brought along to the planting for anyone's interest.

  
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