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Subscriptions due in July

\$40 for the year.

Direct bank transfer

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Or bring to the meeting.

SUNSET NATIONAL PARK REPORT BY PETER RHODES

Wet and windy days preceded our scheduled walk but Mother Nature was kind and Sunday morning was clear though chilly. The weather deteriorated a little later in the day but it was quite good for bushwalking.

Thirteen members, Meryl, Maureen, Christiane, Alison, Susan, Elaine, Karl, Neil, Matt, Dick, Greg, Noel and Peter completed the walk that started just off the Underbool Track and followed an old track into Mt. Henschke. There was a green tinge and the country looked fresh and clean after the recent showers. We passed through a variety of landscapes including mallee, belar and shrubby woodland.

This was the first 'Mt Henschke experience' for some walkers and the occasion did not disappoint. Mt Henschke does provide some wonderful views of the mallee country and the feeling of open space.

The trip back to base was part bush bash and part track. During the bush phase we were lucky enough to come across a mallee fowl nest in the process of being worked. The pair had opened the nest and were in the process of filling it with leaves and twigs. Noel indicated they would then cover the nest with sand and, perhaps in October, depending on weather conditions, lay their eggs.

The return trip was completed without mishap and the all members were probably looking forward to a bit of couch time after the 14 km walk



MT STAPLYTON - THE GRAMPIANS WEEKEND

There has been a change to the weekend for the Grampians Weekend to 20 -22 July.

We also have a bus to 'car' pool for the weekend. Details will be discussed at the meeting or call Tina 0448801656 to jump on board.



JULY MEETING GUEST SPEAKER

Julia Beechey from Parks Victoria will be our guest speaker, she is seeking our assistance with Seniors Week in October. She will also talking about herself and her job.



ANNUAL DINNER 'CALPERUM STATION' RENMARK

Our mid year dinner will be held on **Saturday night, July 7 at Calperum Station Homestead**. Some members are going earlier and will stay at the homestead on Friday, July 6.

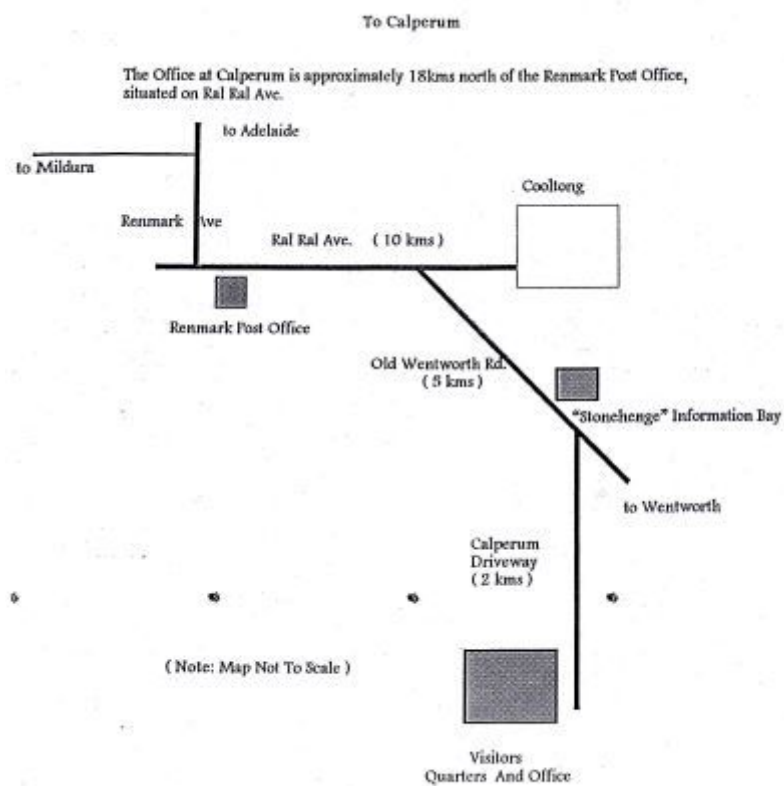
- Address:** Old Wentworth Road, Renmark, SA. (see location map)
Phone: 08 8595 7359
Food: Bring a casserole to share (also bring a pot to heat casserole, if needed).
The kitchen has an oven and a microwave and some cooking equipment.
Plates and cutlery are provided. We also need pre dinner nibbles and desserts. (We will discuss at our meeting on July 4).
Breakfast supplies
Drinks: BYO
Linen: Bring your own linen or sleeping bag and pillow
Cost: \$25 pp per night (money will be collected on arrival)
Accommodation: 10 double rooms with beds and bunks, 4 single rooms
Dress theme: Based on letters "S", "B" or "W" (eg Superman, Batman, WonderWoman). A hat or moustache or the whole costume is acceptable! (Dressing up is not compulsory).
Saturday 7th: Walk or relax depending on your arrival time.
Approx. 5.30 pm: Pre dinner drinks and nibbles, costume display and judging.
7.00 pm: Dinner in Common Room
Post dinner: Games?
Sunday 8th Breakfast and return home, as appropriate
Contact: Peter Rhodes, Secretary - 0438 321 898

Check out the website for some further info <http://www.alt.org.au/> taken from their Facebook page.



Details and questions will be answered at the meeting or ring Peter if you are unable to attend. An email of details will be sent out after the meeting when finer details will be discussed.

DIRECTIONS TO 'CALPERUM STATION'



HAPPY BIRTHDAY BARB CORNELL



At our June meeting we were happy to celebrate Barb's Birthday with her.





CALENDAR

2018		
July 4th	Meeting	
7th - 8th	Mid Year Dinner - Calperum Station Homestead	Contact Peter 0438321898
20th - 22th	Mt Staplyton/Grampians Camp & Day Walks	Contact Meryl 0427195988

August 1st	Meeting	
11th - 12th	Pink Lakes/Lake Becking /Pack Walk or Day Walk	Contact Meryl 0427195988
Sept 5th	Meeting	
22nd -23rd 24th	Gluepot Bird Observatory Camp & Day Walks followed by camp & Day Walks at Gluepot Bird Observatory	Contact Neil 0429865232
October 3rd	Meeting	
7th TBA	Millewa or Merbein Common or Koorlong State Forest	Contact Kym 0409940552 or Noel 0428214966
November 7th	Meeting	
11th	Hattah Lakes/Chalka Creek Canoe Paddle and/or	Contact Peter 0438321898
TBA	Millewa or Merbein Common or Koorlong State Forest	Contact Kym 0409940552 or Noel 0428214966

December 5th	Meeting	
TBA	End of Year Break-up	TBA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHEN WALKING

It is necessary for all participants to carry a whistle on all walks as per the BWV guidelines.

The following are the whistle signals

1 long blast acknowledging a distress signal

3 short blasts for distress

4 short blasts indicating an emergency and for walking party to regroup ASAP

Note: All activities and dates are subject to change. Always contact the Leader to register your attendance.