

IMPORTANT: Koalas Killed

Could the members of FOLKLAW please alert us if they see or hear of any koalas that have died. We have had reports of 3 dead koalas during the May wind storms and 2 dead koalas at the end of June. In the month of July we have received more reports of injured and dead koalas. Jennie Bryant has also rescued some koalas from Somers which she now has in her care.

We hope this is not the start of the demise of Koalas in Somers. We wish to monitor the situation in Somers. Please contact Peter Cooper 9690 1774.

If you didn't know the notice board on the Somers General Store is updated at the start of each month with useful information and events that are being held.

FOLKLAW has developed a very close working relationship with the Somers Foreshore Committee of Volunteers. The FOLKLAW trailer contains both FOLKLAW and Foreshore equipment which is being used on a regular basis for all working bees.

Our working bees are held on the last Sunday of every month at 9.30 am at the Campsie Court end of the Koala Reserve. All ages are welcome. Volunteers do not have to be FOLKLAW members to contribute.



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The building of the koala and bird enclosure for Jennie Bryant, our local wildlife carer is progressing well.



A further working bee was held Sunday 8th June and the following volunteers very kindly donated an entire day of their time at the working bee and provided tools in getting the project closer to completion. Building materials were provided by FOLKLAW.

*Pam and Zane Bannister of Somers
Karín and Peter Cooper of Melbourne
Allan Lim Joon of Somers
Henry Broadbent of Somers
Steve Ainsworth of Bittern
Hugh of Tyabb and Jennie Bryant of Tyabb
Phil Birchall of Bittern.*

If you would like to give us a hand with completing the enclosure or with any other future projects, please contact us on the above address or call us on 9690 1774.

FOLKLAW sourced local seeds, grew indigenous plants and donated and delivered 270 plants to Somers School for their National Tree Planting Day held in July. FOLKLAW also held its own event on the last Sunday in July for National Tree Planting Day. We donated 165 plants which were planted in the Somers Koala Reserve.

The Lord Somers Camp and Somers Education Camp have been returning all the empty boxes and plant containers from the plants that we donated to them earlier this year.

The FOLKLAW trailer now has signage on 3 sides. Many thanks to John Blogg of Signforce who generously donated his free time to apply the signage to the trailer. The trailer has since been used for working bees at the Somers Koala Reserve, Somers Foreshore, Somers Primary School and Friends of Somers Foreshore.



The Koala Reserve has now a regular maintenance program in place. As well as the working bees we have spent \$2000 in spraying weeds in the Reserve since June 2008.