



Friends of Wireless Hill Newsletter Winter 2008

The Friends meet the 2nd Monday of each month at the Wireless Hill meeting Room 7pm

The Friends meet for weeding/planting activities the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month 8.30am at the main carpark

All welcome

What's Happening in the Park in Winter:

The areas of the Park burnt by fires in the early autumn are regenerating quickly. The City of Melville has fenced off some areas to prevent erosion and is controlling weeds with frequent spraying.

The Friends of Wireless Hill supported by the City of Melville held a successful planting day on the 22nd June. Good winter rains have helped these plants off to a great start.

Flowering now:

Spring is already evident in the park with numerous flowers including:

- Red and green Kangaroo paws (*Anigozanthos manglesii*)
- Red, yellow and orange Cats paws (*Anigozanthus humilis*)
- Yellow and orange Donkey orchids (*Diuris spp.*)
- Purple Native wisteria (*Hardenbergia comptoniana*)
- Orange and yellow Granny's bonnets (*Isotropis cuneifolia*)
- Red Running postman (*Kennedia prostrata*)
- Yellow Prickly Moses (*Acacia pulchella*)
- Pink Swan River myrtle (*Hypocalymma robustum*)

Weeds: The City of Melville has agreed not to spray in the best quality areas of the Park, all of the side surrounding the Wildflower Walk down to Davy Street and in the median strip and roundabout on the entrance road. The Friends have made a noticeable impact on veldt grass in these areas and will soon start weeding the gladioli.



Cats Paw flowering in the burnt area in July

News:

The City of Melville engaged Estill & Associates to develop a **Wireless Hill Vision 2020** early in 2008. A Stakeholder Reference Group including the Friends was appointed and met three times to prepare a draft Vision. The Vision is currently being costed and hopefully will soon be available for public consultation.

A Wireless Hill Centenary Working Group has now been appointed to plan for the Wireless Station's Centenary in 2012.

Friends Events:

Annual Wildflower Walk: Sunday 31st August, 9am at the main car park.

Please bring a gold coin donation for the Wildflower Society of WA who will help the Friends by leading walks

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