



FoCC Incorporated October 2018 News Update

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1. FoCC Second Annual Meeting November 21st 2018

All members and friends are welcome to attend the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Canadian Corridor Incorporated to be held at:

7pm Wednesday November 21st at Earth Ed, Olympic Avenue, Mt Clear.

Agenda:

- Minutes of FoCC annual meeting Oct 18th 2017.
- Presidents report
- Treasurers report
- Election of Office Bearers
- General Business
- Guest speakers TBA

Light refreshments served.

More information from <http://www.focc.asn.au/events/> or focc@gmail.com or Mob 0408509591

J Rootes FoCC Secretary

2. Park Strategic Directions Plan launch Oct 19th



Attendees at the Park plan launch. Image D Wieland

The Woowookarung Regional Park Strategic directions plan was launched in the Park of Friday October 19th by Geoff Howard MP and attended by many supporters of the Park.

<https://parkweb.vic.gov.au/explore/parks/woowookarung-regional-park/plans-and-projects/canadian-regional-park-planning>



Image D Wieland

3. Wildflower walk and pop up trail October 21st

The Field Naturalists Club of Ballarat (FNCB) and FoCC conducted a wild flower trail walk off Wilson St on Sunday Oct 21st.



Bob welcoming walkers to the trail. Image J Petheran

The wildflower trail began at the Wilson St water tanks and was guided through a very diverse wildflower rich area by FNCB members, John, Roger and Emily.

By weeks end an estimated 200 visitors had walked the trail. The FoCC thanks the City of Ballarat community funding of 2017 for providing support for the labels and safety equipment.



Along the trail. Image J Petheran



Ballarat Bushwalking group at the Wildflower Trail Tuesday Oct 23rd Image John Petheran

4. Bunanyung Landscape Alliance launch

The Bunanyung Landscape Alliance (BLA) Establishment Document and Strategic Plan was launched at Sovereign Hill on Friday October 26th by prominent environmentalist Rob Gell. The Plan establishes the BLA as a independent entity that advocates, supports and coordindates landscape scale biodiversity activity and enhancement at a local landcare level, at an agency level and at a policy and research level with institutions, councils and government .

Bunanyung Landscape Alliance Establishment Document and Strategic Plan



Bunanyung is the Wadawurrung spelling for Mt Buninyong and is described as a "man lying on his back with knees raised (from shape of the hill)".
Adopting "Bunanyung" recognises the long custodianship of the land by the Wadawurrung people.
"Landscape Alliance" reflects the current custodianship by The Alliance community and stakeholders.

Prepared by

Peter Gell, Andrea Mason, Amy Hahs, Jeff Rootes

With support from Sophie Bickford and members of the Interim Committee

More info: www.bunanyunglandscapealliance.org

Feedback: www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXQXVWH

FoCC urges readers to look at the BLA proposals and provide feedback.

5. FoCC vote gains the Pick My Project Woowookarung Regional Park Nature Trail Project.

The FoCC's call for support for the Nature trail in the Pick My Project has seen project gain a fantastic 204 votes. Fifteen projects were funded in the local area and our PMP project came in number 6 in the local voting stakes.

Many thanks to those Friends who organised votes for our project. During the voting period, friends letter boxed and handed out at local supermarkets over 1000 flyers. We had strong support from Friends of Lake Burrumbeet and Mollonghip Hall, Ballarat Bushwalkers, Dementia Australia, Breaze, Leigh Catchment Group, Landcare and quite few other groups. And many friends simply talked to their friends and encouraged support for the cause.

Vandals



Torn Wildflower signs next to the A frame. Unfortunately vandals attacked some of the signs over the early part of the weekend. Many thanks to the visitor who collected the damaged signs up and put them safely behind the A frame. The damage has been reported to the Police and Parks Victoria.

6. More Koala Sightings

Reports of Koala sightings around the district are coming in:

- Dunnstown
- Brown Hill,
- Damascus College Mt Clear,
- Union Jack Reserve,
- Buninyong Golf Club
- Gear Avenue.
- Sailors Gully
- Greenhaven Court
- No 1 Yendon Rd



Yendon No 1 Rd. Sunday Oct 28th Image Ben McAdie



Sailors Gully Sunday Oct 28th. Image R Loveband

Mating season for Koalas is just beginning now and there are good chances that the grunting of a male Koala may be the first indication that Koalas are around.

If a Koala is spotted please note time, date and location and if possible an image and send to focinfo@gmail.com or facebook

7. Ballarat Tree Growers

Ballarat Region Treegrowers



**AGROFORESTRY OUTPUTS FIELD DAY
inc MILLED TIMBER DEMO
Sunday 4 November**



**MOLLONGGHIP GREEN WOOD SHED,
9.00AM**

Farm shed built the old way using pegs now complete; from green pine messmate milled on site

**MANNA HILL AT MT EGERTON –
10.30AM**

15yo exotic plantings – oak, Himalayan cedar, chestnuts, mulberry, sequoia. Black wattle mill demo on site.

BBQ LUNCH provided at the ImLal biorich plantation – 10 timber spp; 40 spp for habitat.

**TITREE RD, DUNNSTOWN,
2PM** at Phil Kinghorn's, AFG Victorian Tree Farmer of the Year, 2018 High pruned up to 19yo – mountain grey gum, douglas fir, nitens, radiata, red gum, angophora. Milled shining gum on site.
3PM On to Phil's 50 acre high pruned sugar gum plantation at Rokewood for those so inclined.

** FREE to Australian Forest Grower members
* \$10 for non-AFG members*

RSVP – text or contact Phil Kinghorn by mobile on 0429 347 935; or email – gib@vic.chariot.net.au

8. More treasures in the Park

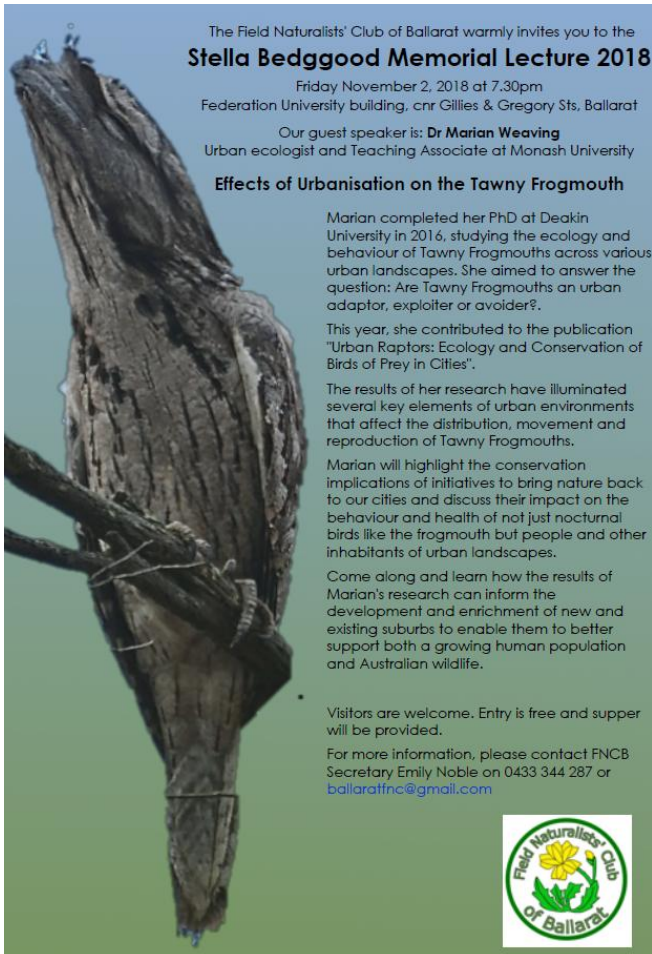
Our park just seems to have many treasures within its boundaries, some more valuable than others.



Old nightsoil cans on the northern boundary of the Park

9. FNCB Stella Bedgood Memorial Lecture November 2nd 2108

The Field Naturalists' Club of Ballarat's 2018 Stella Bedgood Memorial Lecture will be presented by Dr Marian Weaving, Teaching Associate at Monash University. The topic is "The effects of urbanisation on Tawny Frogmouths". Come along and find out! Full details of the event can be found in the flyer below.



The Field Naturalists' Club of Ballarat warmly invites you to the
Stella Bedgood Memorial Lecture 2018
Friday November 2, 2018 at 7.30pm
Federation University building, cnr Gillies & Gregory Sts, Ballarat
Our guest speaker is: **Dr Marian Weaving**
Urban ecologist and Teaching Associate at Monash University

Effects of Urbanisation on the Tawny Frogmouth

Marian completed her PhD at Deakin University in 2016, studying the ecology and behaviour of Tawny Frogmouths across various urban landscapes. She aimed to answer the question: Are Tawny Frogmouths an urban adaptor, exploiter or avoider?.

This year, she contributed to the publication "Urban Raptors: Ecology and Conservation of Birds of Prey in Cities".


The results of her research have illuminated several key elements of urban environments that affect the distribution, movement and reproduction of Tawny Frogmouths.

Marian will highlight the conservation implications of initiatives to bring nature back to our cities and discuss their impact on the behaviour and health of not just nocturnal birds like the frogmouth but people and other inhabitants of urban landscapes.

Come along and learn how the results of Marian's research can inform the development and enrichment of new and existing suburbs to enable them to better support both a growing human population and Australian wildlife.

Visitors are welcome. Entry is free and supper will be provided.

For more information, please contact FNCB Secretary Emily Noble on 0433 344 287 or ballaratfnc@gmail.com



10. The City of Ballarat's Koala tree protection at work.

Geelong Road travellers will be familiar with this disastrous outcome to a development application. The block contained around 200 ES05 Koala habitat trees. It simply suggests the COB is unable to protect Koala Habitat



11. FoCC Membership 2019

FoCC membership for 2019 is now available. 2018 membership ceases on Dec 31st 2018.

Membership enquiries Treasurer Peter – 0475 204161

Membership is good way to make sure the Friends are viable and strong to keep the Park and corridor in good order. Membership is offered to individuals who wish to become a formal Friend of the Canadian Corridor at only at \$20 per calendar year.

- Groups may be represented by one or more individual Friends.
- For those who simply wish to remain on the information sharing email and news update list as a friend need to take no action.

FoCC facebook

Rob Loveband is now overseeing the FoCC Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/friendsofcanadiancorridor/

Currently we have just over 220 friends on Facebook and growing. Feel free to add and pass on to other friends and press the like button.

Or email Rob at webmaster@focc.asn.au with images comments etc.

2018 calendar

- November 21st 2018 – FoCC Annual Meeting
- December 8th Saturday 7pm on. Xmas drinks at the lookout. BYO everything, chairs drinks and nibbles and enjoy Ballarat's best kept secret lookout.

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Feel free to circulate widely including doctors waiting rooms, work offices, friends and neighbours.

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Friends of Canadian Corridor Incorporated

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Membership Application 2019

Individual membership of the FoCC runs from January 1st to December 31st each year at a cost of \$20 per year Community groups may be represented by individual members.

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Name of Group represented: (if applicable)	
Address first line:	
Address second line:	
Town/City:	
State:	Post Code:
Home Phone:	
Mobile phone:	
Email address:	
I agree to the rules of association and abide by the FoCC committee of Management decisions	
Applicants signature:	
Date:	
Applications may be sent by email to focinfo@gmail.com or by mail to the Treasurer (address below)	

Payment may be made by
1. Bank transfer to details: BSB 06 3502 Account No 10955630. Please add your name to the bank transfer.
2. Payment to the Treasurer at a FoCC meeting
3. Cheques to made out to "FoCC Incorporated" and addressed to:
FoCC Treasurer PO Box 83, Mt Clear Vic, 3350.

Date Received:
Amount \$
Receipt No