

South Coast Environment Centre

Annual Report 2019/20

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Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges
Natural Resources Management Board

Our Mission:
***Inspiring the community to embrace sustainable
living
and conserving and protecting the natural
environment, through information, education
and engagement***



STATISTICS

2018-19 FINANCIAL YEAR

Events:	Seminars/talks	27
	Field days/workshops/training	18
	Displays, Veggie Swap etc	27
	Other (working bees, clean ups)	23
	Total events	95

People attending SCEC events	2243
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Number of hours for events organised by SCEC	3700
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STATISTICS

2019-20 FINANCIAL YEAR

Output Events Knowledge, Skills & abilities	11
Awareness Raising	14
Networking, partnerships	58
Total events	83

People attending SCEC events	1135
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Number of hours at events organised by SCEC	2121
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Number of visitors to SCEC office	740*
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* Till office closed at end of March 2020

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Highlights

WORKSHOP:

Make your own low-tox & low cost
cleaning and body products



South Coast Environment Centre are holding a series of small workshops to learn how to make your own low cost and low tox natural products at home.

You will be shown how to make several products to take home and receive a pamphlet of recipes

WHEN: Thurs 22 August at 1.00 pm **Note: NEW DATE**
Tues 20 August at 1.00 pm

WHERE: Openlight Community Hub
64 Waggon Rd Victor Harbor
(cnr Waggon & Valley View Roads – please park off Valley View Road not in main camp carpark)

COST: \$30 members \$40 non members

Booking is essential; limited spaces (further workshops will be held if there is plenty of interest)

info@scecentre.com.au or phone 8552 9423



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SEA CREATURES AND SEA SHORES



An underwater guide to the
Gulfs of South Australia



South Coast Environment Centre
presents

Sea Creatures and Sea Shores
*What Lies beneath the Sea,
and on our Shores*

Friday 8 November, starting at 7.00 pm

Openlight Camp (formerly ToCH)
54 Waggon Road, Victor Harbor

All welcome, light refreshments available

Phone 8552 9423 or email
scecentre.com.au for more information

Copies of this book available on the night for the
special price of \$20



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South Coast Environment Centre
and
Openlight Community Garden Victor Harbor
presents a



NO-DIG GARDEN BEDS WORKSHOP

Too hard now to dig a conventional garden, or nowhere you think is suitable?

You can build these over lifeless or clay soil, paving, bitumen, or lawn.

They make their own soil!

Join us for this hands-on workshop on **TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER** at 9.30 am at the Openlight Community Garden, 64 Waggon Road, Victor Harbor. Cost \$5.00 for members, \$10 for non-members. Please register on 8552 9423 or info@scecentre.com.au



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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



INTO THE JUNGLE

Set high in the remote mountains of Papua New Guinea, 'Into the Jungle' follows newlywed zookeepers Jim and Jean Thomas, who packed up their safe suburban life to try and save one of the world's rarest animals—the Tenkile, a species of tree kangaroo. Featuring Sir David Attenborough, Jane Goodall, Tim Flannery and the People of the Torricelli mountains, the film also gives a rare insight into how life is for the people who live in one of the most remote parts of the world.

THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2019
Victa Cinema 7.00 pm start.
 Raffle & door prizes. Short talk on tree kangaroo conservation
 Hosted by South Coast Environment Centre

Entry by donation please

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South Coast Environment Centre
 are running over summer a series of
Beach Clean ups



Let's keep our beaches clean



THURS 23 JAN: Meet at Chapman Rd carpark, Middleton
WED 29 JAN: Meet at Goolwa Beach carpark

Meet at 8.30 for an hour's beach clean up.
 I'll bring bags if you bring gloves.

Please phone 8552 9423 beforehand to register or learn more

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Veggie-swap @ Victor

Sunday, 2 December 10.00am – 12.00pm

Bring along your excess home-grown produce to the Veggie-swap Market in Victor Harbor on Sunday! Other items you can bring include herbs, seedlings, flowers, baked goodies, gardening or cooking magazines, eggs etc



Bring what you can, take what you need. Stay as little as you like or join us for morning tea.

This month: Talk by Karen Shaw from Australian Native Foods about bush tucker, what she does and what she's setting up locally.

The South Coast Environment Centre hosts the Market at:
 Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor: 17-19, Torrens Street. Enter from Hill St
 (next to the Victor Harbor Shopping Ctr). Phone 8552 9423 for more info




South Coast Environment Centre
 Wellbeing in Nature Walking Group
 April 2020 Walk Pt Elliot



WHEN: Tuesday 7 April commencing 8.30 am
WHERE: Meet at Flying Fish carpark
 We walk for up to an hour enjoying being in nature, then have a cuppa afterwards, all welcome to join us.
 Please phone 8552 9423 beforehand to register your interest




Events

School Education

- ❖ Again, we held several sessions for Woodcroft College at their 2 week Middleton camp
- ❖ Developing relationship with Encounter Lutheran, presented to their assembly through the request of two students.
- ❖ Further planned talks and activities to Encounter Lutheran postponed due to lockdown.



EFFECTS OF OIL ON FEATHERS.



Projects

Veggie Swap Market

A monthly veggie swap market is held at Victor Harbor on the first Sunday of every month, sometimes associated with workshops, which has included:

- Recycling Presentation
- Backyards 4 Wildlife



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Sunday, 1 March 2020 10.00am – 12.00pm

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This month: Talk on “Backyards 4 Wildlife”, what you can do.

Supporting conservation efforts on Kangaroo Island post fire



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Sunday, 7 July 10.00am – 12.00pm

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This month: Veggie Swap regular Fiona Spurling

Plastics-Free July – all you want to know or ask about recycling!



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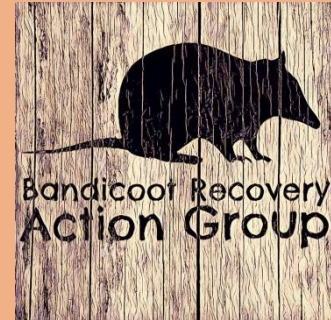


Suspended from March 2020
due to Covid-19 restrictions

Projects

BRAG: Bandicoot Recovery Action Group

Volunteers continue to assist with monitoring and recording sightings of bandicoots and other native mammals in the Southern Fleurieu Region



Projects

Scrub Savers

Volunteers continuing this year to assist with caring for the valuable high diversity remnant bushland on the Openlight camp property.

Weeding, seed collection and propagating. Planning a native plant propagation nursery on site



Projects

Nest Boxes for Kangaroo Island fire recovery

With donated material from Bunnings and assistance from the Victor Harbor Men's Shed, more than 100 nest boxes were made and delivered to Kangaroo Island to help wildlife recovery efforts.



Projects

Establishing a Community Garden

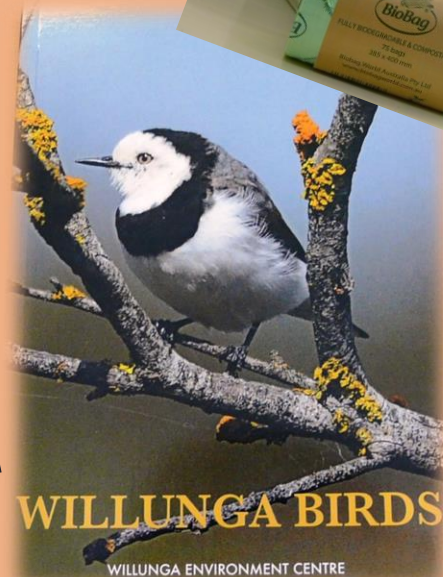
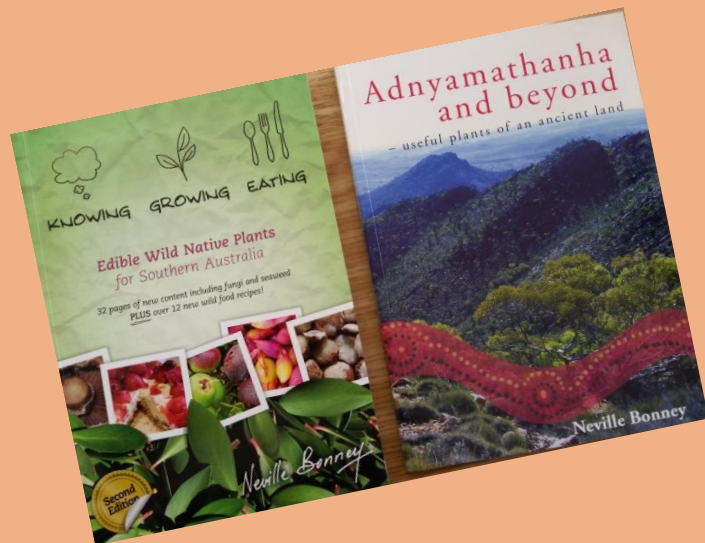
Work throughout the year has continued to develop the garden; we created a comprehensive Operations Manual and ran several workshops/events at the site



Projects

Sustainability Shop

- Books (eg, birds, Coorong, native foods and plants etc)
- Kitchen Caddies & compostable bags
- Keep cups
- Reusable Produce bags
- Beewax wraps....



RECYCLING

- Batteries
- Spent Printer cartridges
- Mobile phones
- Colgate tooth care products
- Dolce Gusto coffee pods
- Genuine Nespresso & L'Or coffee pods
- Old writing implements

We have produced a comprehensive A - Z of recycling guide to everything you need to know. Where to, how to, what can and can't be recycled...

This is posted on our webpage for all to access



ORAL CARE PACKAGING!

Every year, thousands of used pieces of oral care product packaging ends up in landfills across Australia.

Colgate and TerraCycle have partnered to give a second life to your used oral care packaging. The Colgate Oral Care Recycling Program allows us to collect and recycle this oral care product packaging, to prevent it from ending up in landfill.

Rather than ending up in the environment, the used oral care packaging is melted, and remoulded to make new recycled products.



Partnerships

We continue to develop and maintain partnerships with groups including:

- Hooded Plover / Beach nesting birds
- Cittaslow Goolwa Environment Group
- Openlight Victor Harbor
- Victor Harbor Coastcare
- Save Granite Island Penguins
- Boomerang Bags Victor Harbor
- Inman River Catchment Landcare Group
- Nangawooka Flora Reserve
- Victor Harbor Dolphin Watch



Volunteers



We are extremely grateful to our volunteers which help us run the Centre and our activities.

Special thanks to our volunteer Management Committee for all the work they put in throughout the year.

And thanks to our regular volunteers who help in so many ways; minding the office, creating newsletters, working on projects, compiling statistics, helping at events etc.

Registered Volunteers 2018-19	19
2019-20	66*

Volunteer hours 2018-19	1220 hours
2019-20	2121 hours*

* Includes Boomerang Bag volunteers who are a partner project covered under our insurance policy

We appreciate all you do.

FUNDING

The South Coast Environment Centre was funded by the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board through the NRM Levy.

2018-2019 INCOME & EXPENDITURE

AMLR NRM BOARD FUNDING	\$80,150.00
EXPENDITURE 2018/19	\$81,740.00 (-\$1,590.47)

2019-2020 INCOME & EXPENDITURE

AMLR NRM BOARD FUNDING	\$82,160.00
EXPENDITURE 2018/19	\$76,890.00 (+\$5,269.23)

Support

- ❖ We provide and offer support for all local community groups related to the environment, sustainable living and lifestyle
- ❖ We can promote and share events, assist with specific events where possible, offer administrative advice and some assistance, promote what they do and help recruit new volunteers, no-cost office space is available for meetings or workshops
- ❖ We work closely with local NRM and Department of Environment staff on various issues, such as endangered species, feral plants and animals

RESOURCES

Office space available for community groups to use free of charge

Library for members use: Includes book categories such as

Food & Cooking

Lifestyle

Natural World

Gardening

Environmental

And various DVDs and magazines

A large range of NRM information on many topics and brochures on local volunteer and environmental groups

All members are welcome to borrow any of these resources – come in and have a look what we have



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