

Working Bee Report 26 May 2012

Was this the coldest morning of the year so far? It must have been close. But the good news was that the rain held off just long enough for a good sized crew to get plenty of plants into the ground at Red Gum Flat.

Kara, Damian, Robert Irvine, Maelor, Kevin, Neil and Karen got to work planting Poas, *Lomandra longifolia*, *Acacia verticillata*, and *Goodenia ovata* inside a small fenced off section of the Flat, while Claude restored the fence by hammering in some star pickets. We weren't sure how effective the fence would be at keeping out the kangaroos or rabbits, so used our new mega-tree-frames as extra protection.



As Robert pointed out, these new frames are big enough to keep people out as well.

Despite the heavy rain the day before the planting, the soil was surprisingly dry in most places.

One of the many topics of conversation during the morning's work was the 40th anniversary of the Park, its restoration and of course, FOOPs. Partly to commemorate this event, and partly as an opportunity to get together to socialise rather than work, we decided to get together for dinner at the Keilor Hotel (670 Old Calder Hwy) on Tuesday the 19th of June. All FOOPs are encouraged to attend!



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Saturday June 23rd
Planting with Brimbank Council
extending the 2011 planting area at
Sydenham Park next to OPNP