

Working Bee Report 24th August 2013

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Robert Irvine, Maelor, Josie and Michael were loading the materials into Robert's car when I arrived for the working bee. It was great to see Josie and Michael becoming regulars to the working bees.

Robert drove down while the rest of us had a leisurely walk down to the track near the Rosette Rock where we were doing the last of the planting for the year – a box of Lomandra.

We were pleased with the progress of the plants planted in the frames in recent working bees which we had passed as we walked down, but Robert pointed out the remains of the last working bee on National Tree Day when not all plants were put in frames and had been completely removed by wallabies or kangaroos or rabbits.

While Robert drove to the pump shed to collect a roll of wire the rest of us set about planting the Lomandras.

Josie and Michael set about making the frames and while Maelor and I planted and watered Robert set off in pursuit of a photograph of a local wallaby watching our progress. This was an unsuccessful venture but Robert did notice another older wallaby watching his efforts.

In the meantime Karen had joined us as we noticed the goats above the Organ Pipes which were discussed at the AGM. Josie lamented not having her camera but she does need one day off being a photographer which she does for a local paper.

Having put in the plants we looked down the track and there were two wallabies (the same wallabies at the other end of the track?) eying off their lunch – if the plants were not safely in their frames!

By 11.15 we had the plants in and it was time to enjoy the Anzac biscuits that Robert provided along with a cup of coffee. Robert has almost perfected his recipes.

After morning tea we headed back up the hill to end our planting season for another year.



Morning Tea – Josie, Karen, Maelor, Robert and Michael



Working bee results – Short frames and long frames (probably not needed for low growing Lomandras!)

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