



# WRAG AUTUMN UPDATE

Woodlake Reserve Action Group Inc | Incorporation No: A45242:ABN 67407020066

## About Us

WRAG was formed in early 2023 by a few residents of Craighburn Farm concerned about the deteriorating condition of Woodlake Drive Reserve and keen to drive action for improvement.

An interim Committee gathered ideas for the reserves and engaged residents and Council about urgent work and the future enhancement of the park at the heart of Craighburn Farm.

In 2024, WRAG was incorporated and is now driving action to improve Woodlake Drive Reserve and adjacent open spaces in collaboration with Council.

## Our Goals

- \* Encourage residents of Craighburn Farm to join WRAG
- \* Encourage the development of Woodlake Drive Reserve for walking, cycling, passive and other recreational pursuits
- \* Improve the biodiversity in the Reserves

## Contact

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## What's happening?

### Membership

WRAG welcomes all residents of Craighburn Farm inducted members or ordinary members.

Our membership continues to grow, with over 50 residents now registered as members. 30+ have been or are about to be inducted officially Mitcham Council volunteers.



### Working with the City of Mitcham

After many months of discussions with the City of Mitcham about WRAG's plans and priorities for Woodlake Drive Reserve and the adjacent reserves, Council voted to fund the reengineering of the rocky creek near Grand Boulevard Bridge and the boggy path west of the bridge. Onsite work will begin in the 2025-26 year.

Council also voted to endorse WRAG's *Strategic Plan* and to collaborate with us to achieve good outcomes.

### Events

WRAG celebrated Christmas with a *Picnic in the Park* in December 2024. Over 60 residents attended and had a very merry time...as did the kids with Father Christmas popping in with pressies and good cheer.

*Premier Peter Malinauskas and Member for Waite Catherine Hutchesson* paid us a visit on 1 Feb 2025 at a community event and were very impressed with all the good work WRAG is doing to improve our Reserves

## More Events

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The 2025 **Easter Egg Hunt** was absolutely eggcellent! Thanks to the 150+ residents attending and a big thank you to the organising volunteers and Easter Bunny.

**Dates for your Diary - Spring Picnic** in the Park Sunday 9 November 2025 with an early visit from Father Christmas.

**WRAG AGM** will be held in late July 2025. Details will be sent to members in June.

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## Action in the Park

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Butterfly Garden - completed July 2024 and kept alive during summer by the WRAG volunteers watering programme. 90% survival rate. **Thank you Volunteers.**

Have you checked out the new sign?...it has information about the butterflies you might see in the Reserve.



## The Nature Trail Stage 1 & Sensory Garden

Green Adelaide Grant \$64k

Site preparation began on three priority sites on 4 April with Trees for Life weed management.







**The planting begins on Sites 1a and 3 on June 27, 28 and 29 and in the Sensory Garden on July 5 and 6.**

**Have you signed up to help yet?**

**Email *Angela* at**

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***if you can spare an hour or two, please!***

***Volunteers BBQ on the 28 June.***

Transformation – Pétanque & Bocce court and Sensory Garden stage 2  
WRAG has lodged a budget bid with Council for funds to transform the abandoned playground in Woodlake Drive Reserve; watch this space.

Working bees – we have been cleaning up, weeding and watering all through summer with monthly Working Bees. Have you joined in the fun yet? Saturday or Sunday mornings once a month for an hour of two is all it takes to keep the new plantings alive and the area sparkling!

