



WRAG

Woodlake Reserve Action Group Inc
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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. 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

Membership...WRAG welcomes all residents of Craighburn Farm as inducted members or ordinary members...Our membership continues to grow, with over 50+ residents registered as members. 30+ are fully inducted Mitcham Council volunteers.

Working with the City of Mitcham...

Council has completed the reengineering of the rocky creek near Grand Boulevard Bridge and the boggy path west of the bridge. **What do you think about the transformation?**

Council has upgraded its maintenance in Woodlake Drive Reserve, recently mowing the winter grass (*week of 15 September*), installing a protective fence near the Duck Pond and new plants in the Grand Boulevard planting bed. **What do you think of these Council initiatives?**

Council has approved the WRAG **Street Library** which will soon be installed near the Rotunda – **Bring a book and borrow a book... and stay a while in the park to read a few pages and enjoy the serenity.**

Council has approved a **Fairy Tree** near the playground in Woodlake Drive Reserve, another WRAG initiative. **Contact Angela if you'd like to be involved.**

Council staff are working with WRAG on **planning the Nature Trail for 2026 and 2027.**

WRAG AGM

...was held in July 2025. The 2025-26 Committee comprises - Angela Hills - Chairperson, Terry Quinn - Secretary, Jacquie Wright – Treasurer, and committee members - Meredith and Colin Luscombe, Carole Tye, Ben Schaefer, Phil and Caroline Prosser and Mark McKell.

Action in the Park

The Nature Trail 2025 & Sensory Garden

...With a Green Adelaide Grant of \$64k, WRAG began the transformation of Woodlake Drive and the Wetlands Reserves in June. Seventy residents, volunteers and students helped Trees for Life plant 450 tube stock over 3 days. Most of the tiny plants have survived a very cold winter and nibbling birds and are now happily settling into their new habitat. We had to make some modifications to the Sensory Garden to help the rainwater drain through the mulch.

WRAG is busy planning the 2026 plantings with the help of Trees for Life and the Mitcham Council. **665 tube stock have been ordered and 8 sites approved. Planting dates for June or July 2026 will be confirmed soon - so stay tuned and get the dates in your diary. We will need many volunteers to help.**

Working Bees...WRAG began weed management and a cleanup in Woodlake Drive Reserve with a Working Bee on Saturday 18 October.

We'll let you know when the next working bee will be so you can join us at the Rotunda for an hour of fun!

Transforming the Park ...Council will soon commence work on a Pétanque & Bocce court and native garden near the Rotunda in Woodlake Drive Reserve... get those bocce balls polished up for a friendly game.

Events ...Father Christmas is arriving in Craighburn Farm on 9 November ...he'll be attending the Community Picnic in the Park, which starts at 12 noon. Bring your picnic gear and join other residents of Craighburn Farm in a fun afternoon in our park. Fruit platters & Zooper Doopers provided. Raffle & games. Jazz band.



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