



Damper Creek Doings

Newsletter of the Friends of Damper Creek Conservation Reserve
inc.

November 2023



The Damper Creek Community

Do you live near the creek?

Do you exercise or walk your dog along the paths in Damper Creek Reserve?

Do you participate in working bees or do voluntary weeding in the reserve?

Are you on the committee or do you contribute through administrative work?

Damper Creek Reserve is a place to enjoy a connection with nature, a place to meet old friends or meet new ones.

However you enjoy the Reserve, even if you simply support the "Friends" through your subscription, you are welcome to come to our annual BBQ. This will give you a chance to socialise, catch up with the committee and share your ideas about progress in the reserve.

Wildflower meadow

The meadow continues to delight with a continually changing display. At this time of year frequent visits are recommended as some blooms are short lived.



On show right now are the **Clustered Everlasting** (*Chrysocephalum Semipapposum*) and the **Tall Bluebell** (*Wahlenbergia stricta*)





Your subscription and delivery of Damper Creek Doings

Our database is being updated! It would be appreciated if you could advise if you no longer wish to receive the emailed newsletter “Damper Creek Doings”.

Please reply to Secretary.dampercreek@gmail.com

Note that some subscriptions were due last July/August and notifications will be sent out if you are in arrears.

November meeting Guest Speaker: Maxwell Campbell

Do not miss our final guest speaker for 2023. Max is a highly entertaining and informative speaker and his talk will open your minds to the often neglected world of invertebrates.

We look forward to seeing you at 7-30 on November 22nd at Alvie hall.

Subject: Biodiversity, Holobionts and Symbiosis – Understanding or Misunderstanding Our Natural World. Current President (8+ years) of the Field Naturalists Club of Victoria. Maxwell is an experienced naturalist, macro photographer and microscopist with a special interest in video microscopy and is heavily committed to the conservation of biodiversity and ecosystems. His major interest is invertebrates and their symbiotic relationships. He has been a biologist, educator and active naturalist for nearly 60 years.

Maxwell will discuss aspects of biodiversity, holobionts and symbiosis and its importance to conservation and regeneration. The critical importance of invertebrates has been grossly underestimated as there is an over-emphasis on vertebrates. He will illustrate his presentation with micro videos and photographs of lesser-known organisms.



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**Join the Friends of Damper Creek Conservation Reserve for a free end of year Annual bbq in
Damper Creek Reserve as a thank-you to our volunteers and members**

Free End of Year Annual Community BBQ

When: Sunday 26 November 2023

Time: 12 noon until approximately 3pm – Food served from 12.30pm

Where: meet in Damper Creek Conservation Reserve
at the end of Richard Road Mt Waverley

Sign on at the registration table and collect your lucky ticket
to win one of three Lions' Club Christmas cakes

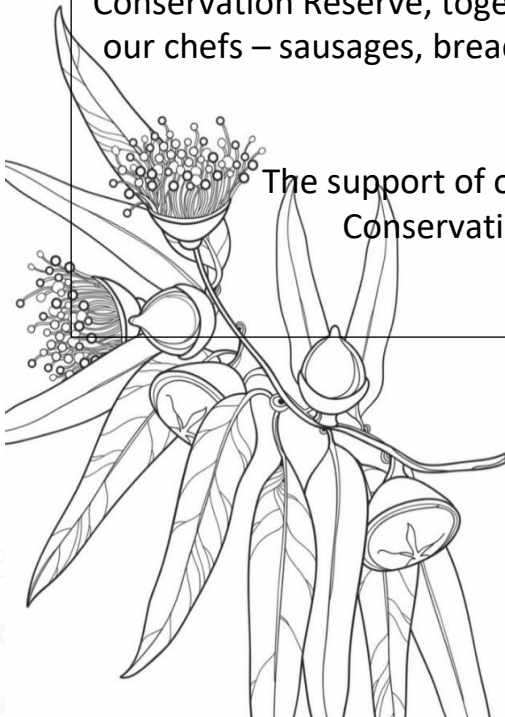
BYO Chairs/ground mats, sunscreen, sunhats, plates, cutlery, cups/mugs
Aerogard and special foods/drinks

A sausage sizzle bbq lunch will be provided by the Friends of Damper Creek
Conservation Reserve, together with the Lions Club of Ashwood-Mt Waverley as
our chefs – sausages, bread, sauces, onions, soft drinks, water, billy tea/coffee,
salads, fruit and muffins

All welcome

The support of our community in caring for Damper Creek
Conservation Reserve is very much appreciated

No RSVP required



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Upcoming Events

Working Bees are in recess until February 2024

Next meeting

Wednesday 22 November 2023 at 7-30 pm

Guest speaker: Maxwell Campbell (president FNCV)

Topic: Biodiversity and the importance of invertebrates

Alvie Hall

commences 7.30 pm

Annual BBQ

November 26th

from 12 noon – 3pm. Food served from 12.30pm

Where: end of Richard Road Mt Waverley.

Park in Richard Road or Alice Street.

See notice previous page

Report it!

Have you seen something along Damper Creek that you think needs attention?
Please contact Monash Council and leave a report. You can contact them the

following ways.: www.monash.vic.gov.au/contact/request-a-service

Phone(03) 9518 3555 or download the App – Snap, Send, Solve

Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Damper-Creek-133557736847306/>

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