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## Staff Activity Report July 2017

1. Attended a Native Vegetation Training Workshop in Mt Barker presented by the Native Vegetation Council which covered;
  - a. Overview of native vegetation regions and reforms
  - b. Key parts of the Native Vegetation Act 1991
  - c. Native Vegetation Regulations 2017 – key changes and clearance activities
  - d. Role of regions and online resources
2. Developed flyer, promoted workshop, took RSVP's and organised morning tea and materials for upcoming soils workshop that will be held at the Cambrai Community Nursery
3. Organised and supported National Tree Planting Day event for Mid Murray Landcare Committee (pictures below), volunteers Don Morrison and George King, with the support of the Mid Murray Council to help reduce soil erosion at Black Hill Cemetery



Figure 1 Chris Tugwell



Figure 2 Helen Crisp



Figure 3 Steve Wilkinson

4. Organised and supported a National Tree Planting Day event with Keyneton Primary School, with support of volunteers George King and Don Morrison

5. Sought and was granted permission from Greg Hill to undertake more weed control at Council Reserves. Organised a new services agreement for on ground works at Towitta Springs, Pines Reserve and Kannapa Springs with environmental consultant Amanda Pearce. Works on bridal creeper will commence early August
6. Organised and supported Mid Murray Landcare Committee meeting at Black Hill Hall, paid and processed monthly accounts, prepared all necessary reports, agenda, and minutes. Meeting with the accountant to deliver the June account and preparations for the final financial report for Connecting Communities grant
7. Was interviewed by Riverland ABC about the National Tree Day projects that we were supporting
8. Supported Bat Club meeting in Adelaide at the SA Museum, focus was on the development of the social evaluation surveys
9. Meldanda – Don Morrison planted between the rows of the spiny daisy plantation to encourage root development. Audit was undertaken as part of MADEC, some minor alterations were required and addressed. Amanda Pearce planted some more *Austrostipa mollis* in the native grass seed orchard and Don Morrison planted a row of *Microlaena stipoides* and did some weeding. Jai Martiness from Mt Barker Scouts came to view the facilities for proposed camp in August. Developed a sign for the Spiny Daisy Translocation site, had the necessary funding approvals on logos and recognition, sent to the sign writer to be produced
10. Sent the first draft of the nature walks brochure that I am developing for Roonka Scouts. It is proposed to be called the 'Echidna Nature Trail' and will include 11 stop points of interest, including an interpretive sign on the Roonka Aboriginal burial site



Figure 4 Echidna Nature Trail Layout Roonka Scout Camp

11. Meeting with Senior Project Officer Nicola Barnes and Jo Clarke about the upcoming 12 months and the delivery of projects and contracts. Planned the upcoming Spring Flora Survey, developed a flyer for approval before promoting
12. Developed the Cambrai Community Nursery program flier, had it approved for distribution along with the template for the upcoming 6 months workshops;
  - 1<sup>st</sup> August Soils improvement and measure pH
  - 29<sup>th</sup> August Bee keeping
  - 19<sup>th</sup> September Compost tea
  - 24<sup>th</sup> October Wicking beds
  - 21<sup>st</sup> November Plant protection
13. Promoted program and the upcoming soils workshop
14. Had a banner developed for the Habitat Stepping Stones project, which will be used when we start promoting the project throughout the MMC
15. Sent map of the Regent Parrots at Sugar Shack to Kevin Smith and assisted in the facilitation of surveys with Issy Campbell
16. Had 2 weeks leave went to Coongie Lakes, Innamincka, Cameron Corner, Tibooburra, Burke and Wills Dig Tree and Silverton. Excellent break!



Figure 5 Coongie Lakes



Figure 5 Habitat Stepping Stones Banner