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LIGHTS, CAMERA, PARK LANDS! YOUNG FILM MAKERS AWARDED



The inaugural Adelaide Park Lands Schools Short Film competition has unearthed not only some talented young film-makers, but also a passion in the next generation to protect our city's rare heritage.

The APPA Schools Short Film Competition was an initiative of Wilderness School. Fittingly, four of the five finalists were from Wilderness.

Their short films were screened at an awards ceremony at Wilderness on Friday 9 September.

Overall winner, Mirelle Galagher, is pictured above receiving her \$500 winner's cheque from APPA President Ian Gilfillan after the screening of her entry "Our Adelaide Parklands"

Runner-up prizes were provided courtesy of sponsors Kojo and Shane McNeil

This was a pilot project in 2016. We hope that in future years a similar competition will extend to other schools whose students enjoy and appreciate the Park Lands.

A full list of the 2016 finalists and their awards, together with the judges' comments is [available here](#).

We have uploaded the winning short film, and the first runner-up to [APPA's YouTube Channel](#), and provided links below.

Please take a moment to savour and appreciate these inspiring short films.



First runner-up: "The Adelaide Parklands" by Isabella Lehmann and her team including drone camera operator Victoria Moularadellis



Overall winner, "Our Adelaide Parklands" by Mirelle Galagher

THE EMPIRE STRIKES AGAIN (Apologies to Star Wars Fans)



Episode VIII (caution: plot spoiler)

Fresh from its conquest of Rymill Park (see pics) the Empire has sent its drones to scout for another possible new Park Lands attack site.

Plans intercepted by the rebel alliance (APPA) reveals the Empire preparing for another Park Lands assault, this time in Park 11, Tainmuntilla.

The site, camouflaged cunningly out of the control of the City Council, has been earmarked as the next battleground in the Empire's relentless war to reduce and diminish Adelaide's Park Lands heritage.

The rebel alliance (APPA) is already stretched to capacity, responding to the Empire's attacks at multiple sites:

https://www.flickr.com/photos/adelaide_parklands/albums/72157652812397899

This new attack on Park 11 is being supported by a strategic disinformation campaign. Using the Dark Side of the Force, the Empire has told a gullible public that "This is not a Park - nothing to see here. Go about your business"

The rebel alliance is calling on its supporters to take action to prevent the attack

<http://www.adelaide-parklands.asn.au/take-action/>

PARK LANDS BIODIVERSITY WALKS

Adelaide Park Lands Biodiversity Walks

Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi's Native Grassland

Explore this Grey Box Grassy woodland with Liam Crook whose ACC Biodiversity team is responsible for reviving the threatened ecological community. You might even be lucky enough to spot the rare Chequered Copper Butterfly!

When: Tuesday 20th September
10:30am—12:30pm

Where: Starting at Hutt Street Library & finishing at a local café.

Cost: Free, all ages welcome

Bonython Park / Tulya Wardli's Bunyip Trail - School Holidays

Take a walk down the Bunyip Trail and learn the intricacies of a Riparian ecosystem. Gain insight into how the River Torrens would have looked before European settlement along one of Adelaide's most hidden natural oases!

When: Tuesday 11th October
10:30am—12:30pm

Where: Starting & finishing at Bonython Park Kiosk.

Cost: Free, all ages welcome

Contact Theo Campbell on 82037749 or
bfcc@adelaidecitycouncil.com to secure your spot.
Bookings are essential & spaces are limited.

**GO GREEN
IN THE CITY** 

Come and explore the beautiful biodiversity in our very own Park Lands.

Learn the intricacies of these complex ecosystems which are lovingly restored and maintained by the Adelaide City Council's biodiversity team.

- Tuesday 20 September - 10:30am - 12:30pm. Starting at the Hutt Street library, and taking in the Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Native grassland
- Tuesday 11 October (School Holidays) - 10:30am - 12:30pm. Starting at the Bonython Park kiosk, and taking in the new

'Bunyip Trail'. Ideal for children

These are free guided walks, but booking is advisable. More details here:
<http://www.adelaidecitycouncil.com/whats-on/event/adelaide-park-lands-biodiversity-walks>

30-YEAR PLAN: KEEP BUILDING OVER PARK LANDS



The 30-year Plan: more of the same on Park Lands.

Over the past few years, the State Government has unleashed an unprecedented wave of assaults on the Adelaide Park Lands. The current Government has proposed, approved or constructed:

- a casino extension,
- two convention centre extensions;
- shops,
- restaurants
- offices,
- apartments,
- a new high school,
- a busway trench through Rymill Park
- the new RAH,
- three new medical buildings on North Tce,

The Government appears to have no appreciation of the world significance of our Park Lands. Its "quick-buck" policies seem destined to make Adelaide as congested as other cities - throwing away (or selling!) our heritage. It has not acknowledged (yet) our petition here: <https://www.change.org/p/jay-weatherill-stop-trying-to-sell-off-or-build-over-the-adelaide-park-lands>

Its blueprint for Adelaide, the so-called 30-year Plan, is now being updated.

The proposed update ignores the cumulative effect of Park Lands losses, especially those of the past decade. Under the heading: "Protecting Our Resources" one of its "key policies" is "*continue to develop the Riverbank Precinct as a world-renowned health, educational and biomedical precinct.*"

Under the heading "Valuing our natural environment and enhancing biodiversity" the Park Lands are not even mentioned.

30-YEAR PLAN FOR GREATER ADELAIDE

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To be fair, the Park Lands are mentioned extensively under the heading 'Open Space, Sport and Recreation' but in the context of "*upgrades*" and "*revitalisation*" which can be code words for privatisation in favour of selected and moneyed sporting organisations.

Under the heading "Adelaide City Centre" the Government's aspiration is to "*reinforce the role of the Park Lands as a major recreational, sporting, tourism, natural and open-space asset destination for the city*"

It is clear from the overall thrust of the document, however, that to the Government, the Park Lands are viewed as a means to achieve current short-term targets - not a priceless heritage to be carried forward for generations.

Public comments on the 30-year plan revamp are invited here: <https://livingadelaide.sa.gov.au>

VOTE EXPECTED NEXT WEEK ON CASINO PARK LAND GIVEAWAY



As we advised in last month's e-Gazette, our State Parliament is about to vote (on 20 September or shortly thereafter) to take away some of the Adelaide Park Lands (Elder Park, Festival Plaza) to give to Sky City Casino and the Walker Corporation.

We're not sure whether all members of Parliament actually know what they are being asked to vote upon: the proposed alienation of Park Lands for no reason other than to promote gambling, and for private enrichment.

We remain hopeful that the Liberal Opposition, and cross-bench members of the Legislative Council will see through this charade, and preserve this land for something more worthy.

Here are the 22 State MPs (the members of the Legislative Council) who will be voting next week on on the *ASER (Restructure) (Facilitation of Riverbank Development) Amendment Bill 2016*:

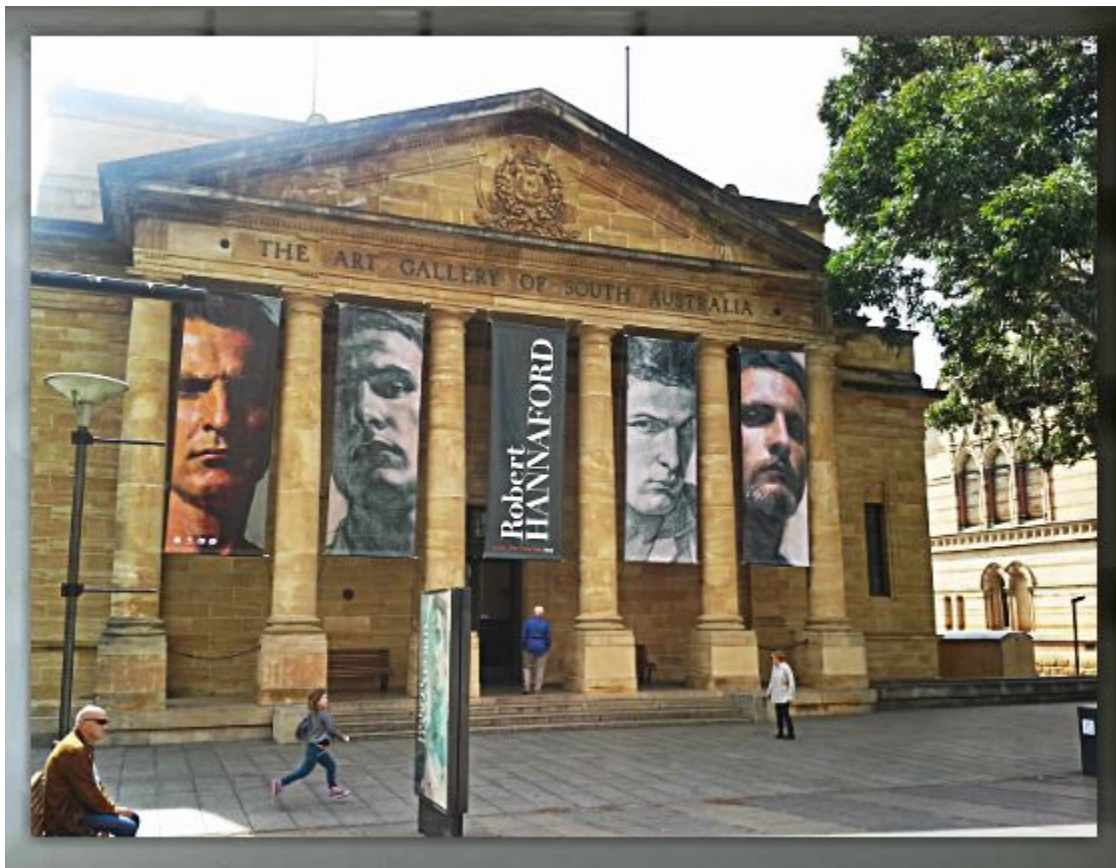
<http://www.parliament.sa.gov.au/Members/LegislativeCouncil/Pages/List%20of%20Members.aspx>

Please contact one or more of them and urge them to reject this Bill.

Please tell them NOT to allow the theft of our world-unique Park Lands merely so we can try to keep up with, or try to outdo some of the world's other 3,500 casinos with larger or more rooms for gambling.



ROBERT HANNAFORD PARK LANDS RAFFLE - TICKETS GOING FAST



Robert Hannaford is one of Australia's greatest living artists. He's being honoured, at present, with a major exhibition at the SA Art Gallery.

You can win an original Robert Hannaford oil painting "Cloud Study" by getting into the Adelaide Park Lands Art Prize raffle. Tickets (just \$5 each, with a limit of 1,000) are being sold all over the world.

Don't delay because once all the tickets are gone, they're gone. The draw is on 3 November.

Details here: <http://www.parklandsart.com/>



"Cloud Study" by Robert Hannaford. Yours for the price of a \$5 raffle ticket???

NATIONAL TRUST - CONCERNS ABOUT PROTECTION FOR BUILT HERITAGE



The Adelaide Park Lands are part of Australia's National Heritage. APPA partners with the National Trust to draw attention to Park Lands threats. The National Trust's SA President, Norman Etherington, was one of the 31 Eminent Persons who recently backed a call to keep Park Lands public.

By definition, APPA does not lobby or campaign on issues of land management or built heritage in areas other than the Adelaide Park Lands. We leave that to others. But we realise that many of our members and supporters will feel passionately not only about Park Lands, but also about Adelaide's built heritage.

The State Government has recently released a Discussion Paper on Local (Built) Heritage.

Originally released for a very short consultation period ending on September 9th, the extent of public interest has forced the Government to twice extend the deadline for submissions: first to September 23rd, and now to October 7th.

The National Trust's dissection of the Paper and proposed response is here:
<http://heritagewatch.net.au/wp-content/uploads/Heritage-Under-Threat.pdf>

JUST STORE YOUR STUFF ON PARK LANDS



There seems to be a worrying trend for the City Council to allow Park Lands to be used as a convenient place to dump stuff.

The Council on Tuesday 13 September agreed that the shipping container above should be allowed to remain on Kurangga (Park 20) for another 12 months, to store equipment for athletics. Not only that, the Council has also okayed a second shipping container alongside it, also for another 12 months provided that the second container is painted the same colour.

The last time we checked, Adelaide had plenty of places other than Park Lands, where you can store your stuff.

Maybe someone should tell the City Council about commercial storage operators. **Except, of course, the Council itself uses parts of the Park Lands for dumping stuff:**



(a) Walyu Yarta (Park 21) and (b): Warnpangga (Park 10)

But it's not just shipping containers and dump sites.

The Adelaide Comets Football (i.e. soccer) club has a proposal for Tampawardli (Park 24) off West Terrace: a new building that would be a massive 48 metres wide. Here's what they want: a new canteen, meeting/education room, boardroom/office

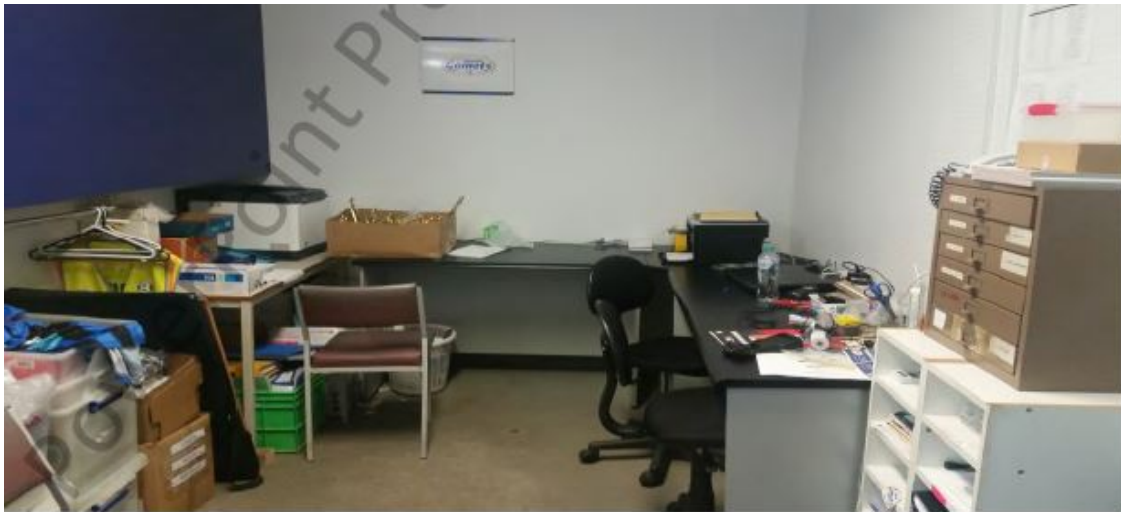
/storage, a training room/gym area, and more storage.



FOOTPRINT (m2)

CLUBROOM FACILITIES	Proposed Facility	Existing Comets Building	Existing Western Districts Building
Canteen	50	44	N/A
Meeting/Education Room	160	0	Currently use gym area
Kitchen/Bar	42	Part of canteen	N/A
Boardroom/office/Storage	53	15	N/A
Total Change Room area	184	95	30
Clubroom Toilets	36	0	10
Public Toilets	40	28	N/A
Referee Room	13	0	N/A
Training Room/Gym Area	115	Part of Change-rooms	80
First Aid/Massage Room	19	Part of Change-rooms	Currently use gym area
Storage	63	52	5
Undercover external area	97	130	N/A

One of the reasons they need a big new building, they say, is that they are running out of room in their existing facilities. The club provided these photos to back up their case.



Now, we love to see people using the Park Lands for sport, but it seems to us that administration, office space and storing stuff could be done anywhere, off site. Using Park Lands for these purposes is equivalent to privatisation of the Park Lands.

- If meeting rooms are needed, there are plenty of facilities nearby in the CBD.
- Likewise there are plenty of commercial gyms available for weights training.
- Storage and administration can also be undertaken on private land, purchased or rented for the purpose.

We hope the City Council is not persuaded by arguments such as these.

APPA will be urging the Council to limit the size of any new building so that it is actually for sporting and public use, and not for use as a function centre and/or administrative base.

PHOTOS OF THE DAY - RECENT HIGHLIGHTS










From the top:

- a) Ancient olive trees and galahs: Parrgutilla (Park 8) off Mann Tce
- b) Sunrise at Riverside Rowing Club, Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27)
- c) After school soccer, Ityamai-itpina (Park 15) off Dequetteville Tce
- d) Archery, Warnpangga (Park 10) off Bundeys Rd

e) North Adelaide Golf Course, Pirltawardli (Park 1) off Strangways Tce

The ParkLands 'photo of the day' series has been running since May 2014, and **the collection of Park Lands photos now numbers close to 900**. We maintain (and gradually grow) 37 separate albums for each one of our 30 Parks, six squares (and one album for 'Alienations'). To browse the photos follow the link below to '[Our photos on Flickr](#)'.

			
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