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1. FIGHTING BACK TO SAVE ADELAIDE'S TREES

by Shane Sody

Century-old London Plane trees in Frome Road have joined the State Government's "hit list" of trees that it wants to destroy.

Meet the activists trying to save your City's green canopy and learn what you can do to help.



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2. HOPE EMERGES FOR ADELAIDE'S RECREATION CIRCUIT

by Shane Sody

Promises made during an election campaign need to be taken with a pinch of salt, but it's been heartening to see messages of support emerging for what could be the greatest-ever promotion of your Adelaide Park Lands.

For the first time, the proposed Adelaide Recreation Circuit has emerged as an election issue, with encouragement from SA Labor, and full-throated support from the Greens, the Animal Justice Party and the SA Party..

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3. RIVER WALK INTRODUCES UNI STUDENTS TO PARK LANDS

by Shane Sody

New students at Adelaide University have been introduced to part of your Adelaide Park Lands, in a Guided "River Walk".

As part of this year's Orientation Week, a crowd of 65 new students, plus volunteers and staff, toured the historic Grundy Gardens in Park 12, and the restored riverine bushland in Park 11, on a two-hour walk with an APA Guide.



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4. PLEASED TO MEET YOU, BILLIE JUSTICE THOMSON

by Loine Sweeney

Visual artist and social media influencer, Billie Justice Thomson, thinks of the Adelaide Park Lands as a very special “green ring around the city”.

Whether it’s riding her bike, taking a picnic, enjoying playgrounds with her son, or exploring a pocket of bushland, Billie draws comfort and inspiration from Adelaide’s unique garland.



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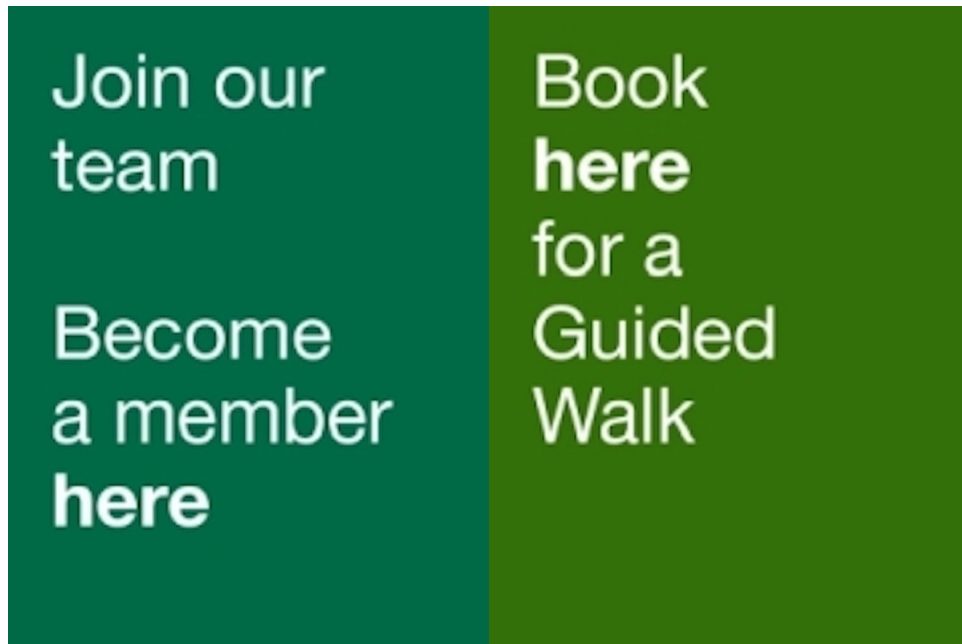
There are two versions of this newsletter - one for members, and one for non-members.

You are reading the **non-members** version.

We don't mean to be pushy, but isn't it time that you got off the fence, and joined us?

APA members get:

- the priceless satisfaction of backing our actions to protect your Park Lands.
- a 100% discount on tickets for our [Guided Walks](#).
- 15% discount on all items from [the APA shop](#), including tea towels, tote bags, apron, T-shirts, polo shirts, and face masks.



NEW ITEM IN THE [APA Shop](#). Our new T-shirt is a conversation starter. Or not. You can explain what we do without saying a word. It's "heavy cotton" and just \$21.45 (15% less if you first become an APA member). See this and other items in [the APA Shop](#).



5. MERMAIDS AT RYMILL PARK

by Carla Caruso

Have you spotted unusual creatures lounging by Rymill Park Lake recently? Your eyes aren't playing tricks on you; it's all part of an interactive Fringe installation.



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6. WHAT'S ON IN YOUR PARK LANDS - MARCH 2022

by Shane Sody.

There are plenty of opportunities to be active, entertained, or just take in the scenery as you Love Your Park Lands in the coming weeks., with the Festival Fringe, the Adelaide Festival, three APA Guided Walks, two Park Clean Up sites on Clean Up Australia Day, Save the Trees Action Day, and the amazing Skywhales at sunrise in Elder Park this coming Saturday 5 March..

See the list of activities and events we've found for you, in March 2022



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7. RE-GREENING? OK, YEAH, SURE

by Shane Sody.

Who knew that Premier Steven Marshall is now a Fringe comedian?

This is what he calls "re-greening" of Helen Mayo Park in your Adelaide Park Lands.

Despite thousands calling on the Premier to Save Helen Mayo Park, he's trying to convince you that he wants to "re-green" the Park with a 15-thousand seat stadium.

OK, yeah, sure, whatever....



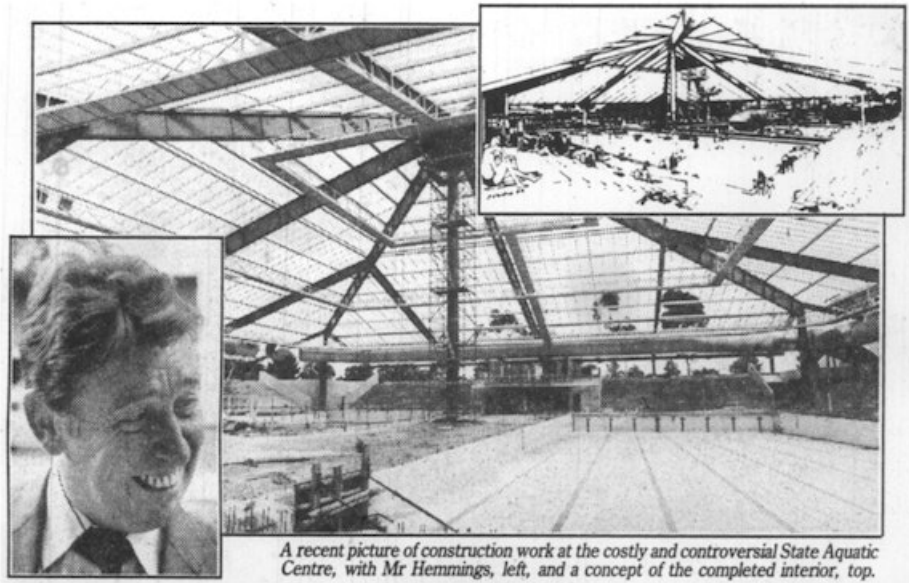
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8. AQUATIC MISTAKES - LEARN FROM HISTORY AND RESTORE A PARK

by Shane Sody.

In 1969, part of your Open Green Public Park Lands were taken away for a swimming pool on what we now call Denise Norton Park / Pardipardinyilla ([Park 2](#)).

It was not the first such mistake that affected your Park Lands. However, in 2022 there is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to learn from that mistake and restore lost Park Lands,



A recent picture of construction work at the costly and controversial State Aquatic Centre, with Mr Hemmings, left, and a concept of the completed interior, top.

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9. STAND BY FOR SPECIAL ELECTION EDITION

by Shane Sody

As you read this newsletter your APA Committee is evaluating the responses we've received from political parties to our six Park Lands questions.

Early voting in the State election commences next Monday, 7 March. We will be issuing a special edition of this newsletter next weekend, to advise you how the political parties compare on their commitments to your Open Green Public Park Lands.

In the meantime, if you haven't already done so, please ask your local candidates to respond to the six key Park Lands questions.



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10. RE-GREENING DESIGN COMPETITION - DEADLINE EXTENDED

We've extended the deadline for entries to our 'Unpaving Paradise' poster design competition.

You now have until 1 May to lodge your entry that will spark off a re-greening wave, with a pilot project design for a bitumen area of Bonython Park, near Thebarton



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