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**1. AQUATIC CENTRE: WIN-WIN OPTION GETTING TRACTION**

*by Shane Sody*

State Government Ministers still have their heads in the sand, refusing to acknowledge community demands for a new Aquatic Centre to be built on a brownfield site, rather than on your Park Lands.

Government plans haven't yet picked up the win-win option for swimmers and your Park Lands.



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## 2. ONE THREAT AVERTED - OTHERS REMAIN

*by Shane Sody*

Efforts to protect and restore your Adelaide Park Lands will now be stepped up, after a huge three-month community effort finally convinced the State Government that it was untenable to attack your Park Lands with a gigantic police barracks.

It remains to be seen whether this was merely an act of political expediency, or whether the State Government has had a change of heart, and will now start to Love Your Park Lands at other locations.



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## 3. GOING, GOING....

by Shane Sody

You have only until 30 June to snap up one of the last remaining artworks from the 2023 Adelaide Park Lands Art Prize. To make your choice easier, we've highlighted a collection of unsold Park Lands artworks, most priced at no more than \$600.



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#### 4. STYLE AND THE CITY

by Carla Caruso

Adelaide's Zoe Aitken is many things: a vintage clothing seller, a keen cyclist, a mother-of-four, a vegetarian, a disability advocate, and an environmentalist. In another of our regular features on avid park-goers, we spoke to Zoe about her passion for all things vintage and your Park Lands.



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## 5. WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are a grassroots community organisation. We [Explore, Inspire, Protect, and Restore](#).

But we are only as strong as our [Members](#) and our [Volunteers](#).

You are receiving the non-members version of this newsletter which means you're not (yet) a Member of our team.

Will you help us?



There are two ways to do that: as a [Member](#), or as a [Volunteer](#) (or both!)

If you were to become an APA [member](#), you would then be able to book for any of our Guided Walks for free, and you would also unlock 15% discounts to all the merch in [the APA Shop](#).

More importantly, your membership fee (as low as \$20 per year for a single concession) would be tangible support for our Park Lands strategies: [Explore, Inspire, Protect and Restore](#).

If you were to become [a volunteer](#), there's a wide range of things you could do to help in one or more of our strategic activities.

Check out the volunteer options [here](#).



### 6.MYTH-BUSTING #8: MILITARY

If you Love Your Park Lands, like we do, you might occasionally hear criticism from people who have latched onto a Park Lands myth.

This time, we're MYTH-BUSTING the claim that that your Park Lands were intended to be a military buffer zone.



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### 7.KNOW YOUR PARK LANDS PLANTS: BERRY SALTBUUSH

*by Juliet Bodycomb*

We're helping you learn about the plants in your Open Green Public Adelaide Park Lands.

Today: see how to identify this perennial herb: the berry saltbush!



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## 8. POSSUM MAGIC

*by Shane Sody & Tara McKenzie*

Studying possums in your Park Lands is no easy feat. Some possum magic might be required to check on their health and habits.



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## 9. PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY FOILED. OR WAS IT?

*by Shane Sody*

There's bad news, and good news, from Parliament House, in the battle to protect your Adelaide Park Lands.



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## 10. WHAT'S ON IN YOUR PARK LANDS - JUNE 2023

*by Michael Gerrich*

Four of our Guided Walks are among the dozens of events to choose from in your Open Green Public Adelaide Park Lands from late May through to the end of June 2023.

(This is a repeat of the item in our previous newsletter of 1 June, so some of these events have passed.)



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## 11. GET RESTORATION INTO COUNCIL BUDGET

*by Shane Sody*

The City of Adelaide wants your feedback on its proposed budget priorities for 2023-24.

There's a lot to like about the Council's proposed budget; but there's also two serious Park Lands omissions - which you can rectify with a single response by Sunday 18 June.



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## 12. YOUR MAGIC PUDDING

*by Shane Sody*

It seems that State Government spin doctors are trying to write a sequel to a century-old Australian children's book 'The Magic Pudding'.

They want you to believe that although the Government is cutting slices from your Park Lands, they will be magically re-grown!



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