



most inspiring word in the dictionary. Yes we do work but working bees are so much more. Think of them instead as opportunities for exercise, learning, comradeship, and physical, emotional, spiritual and environmental health. Instead of calling them "Working Bees" perhaps we should call them "Wellbeing days".

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The Waite Conservation Reserve means a lot to Meg. It started as an ideal place for a one hour fitness walk 2 or 3 times a week, but then she thought her 'gym' fees were due and, after hearing about the working bees, decided this was a suitable way to pay them. So for the past 5 years at working bees, Meg has enjoyed not only weeding and planting, but data collecting, learning, and just appreciating the WCR, and all in the company of very skilled and knowledgeable fellow workers as well as beginners like herself. This has been very important to her because the previous 20 years living in South Aust. had been spent driving past the typical uninspiring 'invasive weed roadside display' with no idea what was being lost.

A few years ago, Meg and her husband bought land near Hindmarsh Falls on the Fleurieu Peninsula and are revegetating the now-fenced off kilometre of Riparian Zone. Meg has a Bush for Life site at the Falls, and this is a good reference point for her nearby revegetation project, and it also helps being able to contrast this ar 331.61 Tm[(Falls)6(,)-2()-251571/F8 9allsarg

Professor Trumble was then head of the Agronomy Department when I took over from Con Eardley, the systematic botanist at both the University of Adelaide North Terrace and Waite campuses. Con was on sabbatical leave and I, the raw recruit, a recent graduate, acted as botanist at the Waite. My duties included the role of weeds adviser to

The Goannas walking group has donated a seat to the Waite Conservation Reserve. This seat commemorates the life of Jenny Prider (1940-2010), who for many years was the leader of our group. She died in July, 2010 as a result of severe injuries sustained in a road accident. Jenny was a very keen walker, and frequently went on 7-10 day treks all over Australia. She had walked the entire length of the Heysen Trail, and her ashes were scattered along it. She frequently walked in the



