

P!WS Walk) in t.e Reserve

- n a beautiful *pril afternoon 6resident 6eter 3ird(accompanied by 5urator r Eate elaporte and r @ennifer =ardner(lead about #9 6ostgraduate *ssociation of &aite Students \$* &S% on a walk around the Loop Trail. &e stopped from time to time for 6eter to talk about the plants(animals and weed control techni?ues.

- n 4rrbrae >idge we were greeted by a family of three kangaroos and a larger group were seen by some on the way back. This was a special treat for the international students.

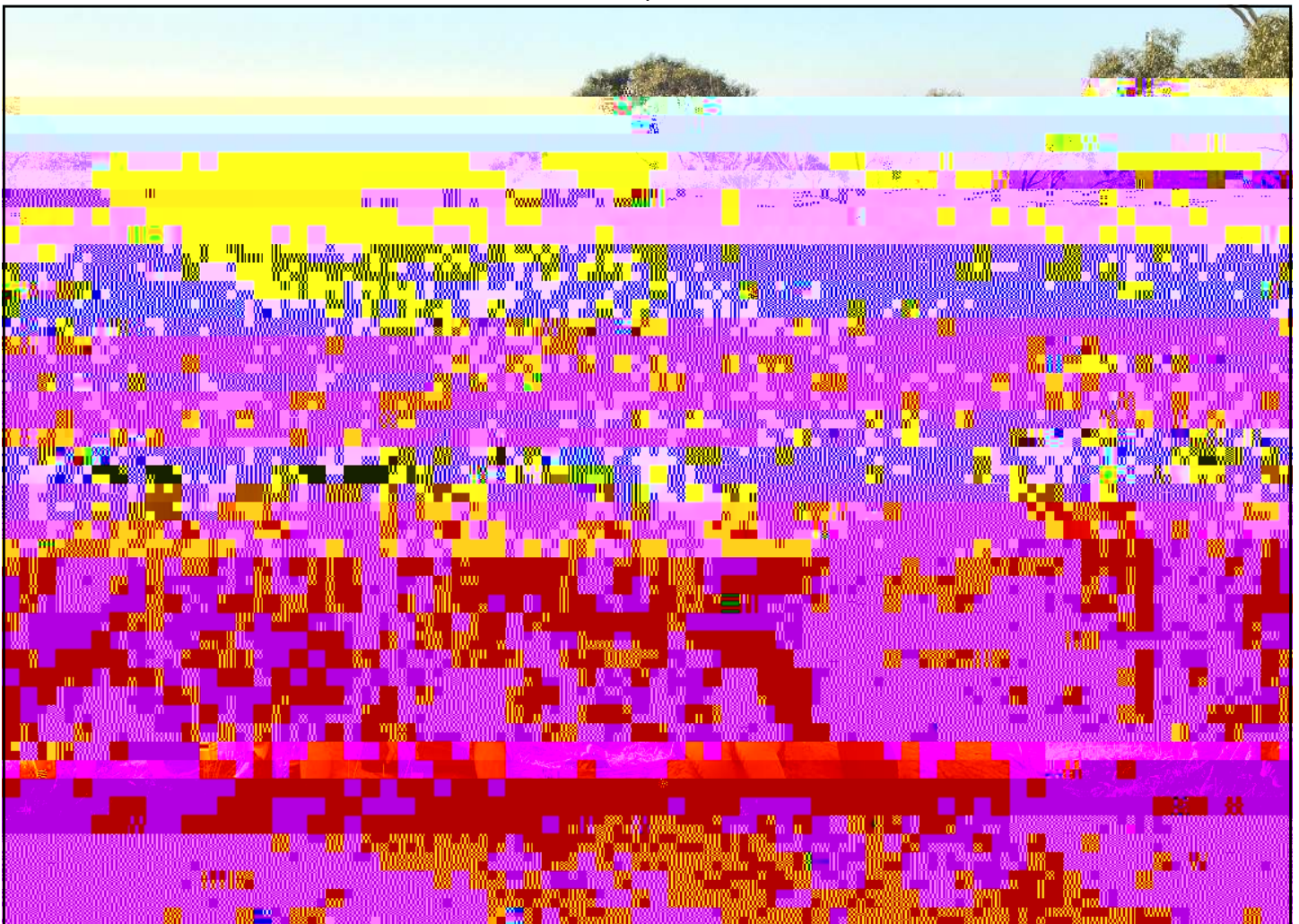
*t the deer rutting site 6eter described the damage these feral animals do to the native vegetation and their dispersal of huge numbers of olive seeds by regurgitation.

eer activity in the >eserve is monitored on camera and when conditions are right the deer are culled by professional shoot' ers.

*t Netherby Spur the students en?oyed a snack while taking in the stunning views over the campus and *delaide 6lains.

3efore the walk only three students knew of the >eserve(but at the end the general response was most enthusiastic. 8ach student was given a backpack with the Trail =uide(membership application and fliers. ; opefully some will come along to the *=C or a weekend walking bee.

Jennifer Gardner



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Photographer Kara Levin

Four working bees down and we are steadily mowing down the crop of olive seedlings that emerge annually to torment us. But numbers of seedlings are down. In the 27 percent of the reserve completed to date we have only accounted for a couple of thousand seedlings (plus as sorted Africanaisy and Cottonbush).

At this rate we should complete the 19F hectares of olive-cleared reserve at record speed leaving time to do other things. Especially if we can continue to attract numbers like the 12 who came to our last working bee. & welcome Carolyn Bishop and Christina; agger to the working bee crew.

One of the things I like to do is to pick up some of the old rolls of fencing wire that litter the reserve. Cost of it was removed when the fences were dismantled early on but a few remain to be trucked out and disposed of with metal recyclers (and some will be repurposed within the Arrbrae; ouse =ardens (enabling an attractive and useful second life.

The next round of working bees will commence from the Springfield Park entrance via Eagle-on-the-hill rd. See the map at right.

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; owever(if baiting programs for cats and fo/es were to be stopped(then avid felt that the Tuolls would ?uickly go e/tinct again.

The other species which has been re' introduced is the 3rush'tailed possum. 6ossums can be a nuisance in suburban

