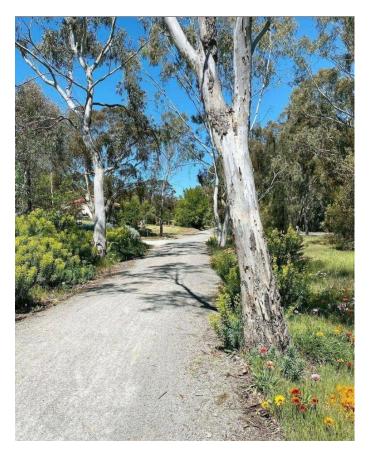
The Riesling Trail





Hello Member

and welcome to our Summer E-News | Along the Riesling Trail ...

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From the Chairman

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The big increase in the number of trail users that we saw during winter this year has continued through spring. There were 28,106 recordings (from five locations along the trail) for September to November, compared with 20,654 for the same period last year. This is an increase of 7,452 or 36%, and even with the recent COVID lockdown for a few days, hot weather in late November and the crossing over Quarry Road being closed since the 10th of November. We may well reach 100,000 by the end of this year, which is way above that of previous years. As well as people from Adelaide, we are now seeing some from interstate, which is great.

Speaking of the Quarry Road crossing, plans are well advanced to have the new bridge in place early December. This bridge will be double the width of the previous one and so much safer for cyclists. Being three metres wide it will allow two-way traffic, something that could not be done with the previous bridge. As the surface will be a fairly large mesh (of re-processed plastic) we will add a 900mm strip of rubber mat down the centre, especially for dogs with small feet. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by the lack of a bridge for the past four weeks, and especially to those who needed to use the detour along Horrocks Highway. The main reason for this four week period was to take the sides off the old bridge, clean and re-paint them and then fit them to the new bridge, keeping the same profile as the one it replaces.

The other thing gone missing is the hexagonal table setting at the Sevenhill dam. This is being given a clean-up and re-fit. It has been sand blasted and re-painted by Clare Metal Fabrications, and will have new timber seats (being fitted by volunteers Peter and Julie Haynes). This should be completed in the next few weeks. Funding for this is from a Federal Government grant through the Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council.

To stop Aleppo pines and olives encroaching further into the bushland along the Riesling Trail we are continuing with tree removal in selected sections. The most recent has been to take out pines from around 1km south of Clare, south of Quarry Road crossing (leaving one majestic pine) and south of the Sevenhill station area. We have also taken out olives from a section north of the Mount Horrocks Road crossing. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with this job, Fox's Tree Lopping and to the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board for the funding.

Work Along the Riesling Trail

The old Quarry Road bridge on the way up and about to be put on a truck below.

It was a very smooth operation and was all over in a couple of hours.

It was taken into Clare to remove the sides, which will then be cleaned & repainted and fitted onto the new bridge.

We are still working on 8 December for installation of this new bridge.





Photo taken by Peter Wood: CMF Fabrication preparing the new base and sides for the Bridge which will be reinstalled on 8th December.



Photo taken by Sue Mayfield: Peter and Wendy took a break from walking with the local U3A Walking Group on the Trail this morning to try out the recently restored seats at the site of the old Sevenhill Railway Station. The seats were sandblasted and re-painted by Clare Metal Fabrications.

Thank you

The Riesling trail maintenance members would like to thank and acknowledge Scott and Jeff Weckert of Boconnoc Park for their kind provision of a 1000 litre container to assist in the watering of new plants and shrubs planted along the Riesling Trail.

The container will enable the watering of trees to be undertaken much more efficiently throughout the warmer months.

Their kind donation is greatly appreciated.

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The Riesling Trail Committee

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YEAR	White Hut	Clare	Sevenhill	Watervale	Auburn	Total YTD	Ann Inc%	2011	
2011	3901	25232	14000	8497	6250	57880	1		
2012	2247	26806	14000	8768	5811	57632	0%	0%	
2013	4358	27512	15000	8272	5835	60977	6%	5%	
2014	4949	28583	16000	9935	5250	64717	6%	12%	
2015	5118	31010	17000	10752	5667	69547	7%	20%	
2016	5468	29659	18000	9164	6918	69209	0%	20%	
2017	5239	35045	21341	8268	5347	73240	6%	27%	
2018	5099	34192	24444	8382	5432	77549	6%	34%	
2019	5104	33627	24872	9483	5508	78594	1%	36%	
2020	6567	35946	27973	13558	7358	91402	16%	58%	in progres
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% Share	6.9	44.0	27.0	13.8	8.7	100			
2019/2011									
Inc/Dec %	31%	33%	78%	12%	-12%	36%			
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If you have a specific project you would like to see completed and can make a significant contribution towards it, please contact the committee to discuss your requirements."

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... from the Riesling Trail Team

