

The Riesling Trail

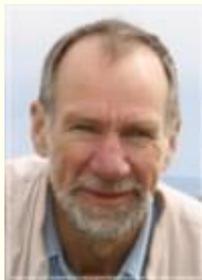


Hello Member

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

Visit our website at <http://rieslingtrail.com.au/> for up to date information of what's happening on the Riesling Trail and around the Clare Valley.

From the Chairman



As the season shifts to winter there is another view from the Riesling Trail and a special crispness in the air.

For the keen and hardy the 5km parkrun (or walk) is on every Saturday morning at 8am, starting on the Riesling Trail near the southern gate of the Clare showgrounds. To compete and get a time recorded you will need to register (just the once). For more details and to print off your bar code see <http://www.parkrun.com.au/clarevalley>

The Trail upgrade is likely to start in July, beginning at Auburn and going right through to Clare. Cyclists and walkers should still be able to use the Trail. Use caution when passing operating machinery on the Trail and wait until the operators have seen you before proceeding past. If you need more details about this program please let me know. Plans for continuation of the Riesling Trail along the old railway line to Mt Horrocks Winery at Auburn have now been completed. This includes building a pedestrian and cyclist bridge over the River Wakefield where the previous rail bridge used to be. We are now in the process of obtaining approvals for this work as well as looking at funding options. The estimated cost of this is approx. \$220,000. Once completed it will make access to the Trail at Auburn much easier and safer than at present and provide a neat connection with the Rattler Trail to the south.

The history of how the Riesling Trail came to be is no doubt one of vision and determination. Every now and then we are asked by others (mostly from interstate) about development of the Trail, as they want to do something similar in their area. We are fortunate that a Uni SA post graduate student, Terri Rhodes, will be documenting how the Riesling Trail was developed from the closed rail line. She has already met with several people who were involved with the development of the Trail. If you have some information on this, and especially photos of the Trail being built, please let me know.

Allan Mayfield, Chairman

2016-17 Memberships are now due

Thank you for your continued support of the Riesling Trail

Working Bee at the Lennon Street Carpark



Sarah & Peter Wood, Allan Mayfield and Roger Przibilla

Saturday morning 30th April working bee at the Lennon Street car park. Several

of the shrubs had grown so well they needed pruning or removing. The load on the trailer is a shrub that was removed as it was too dominant. It has been replaced with three smaller shrubs. More shrubs were planted to fill in some gaps.

We are also replanting in the car park area at the south end of Station Road.

Cycling for Charity – Adelaide to Uluru



The inaugural Adelaide to Uluru Smiddy Challenge will see cyclists ride from the ocean edge at Glenelg to the dusty red centre, culminating in a lap of one of the most awe inspiring Aussie icons, Uluru.

The cyclists came through the Clare Valley on Sunday 5th June where they rode on the Rattler Trail then the Riesling Trail. After a very wet and cold day they called into the Sevenhill Cellars where they were greeted with food, wine and a roaring fire. The cyclists stayed at the Discovery Park over night before

heading off again in the morning.

The Fundraising commitment is to raise \$5,000 for Cancer Care and Research.

There's no doubt that this will be a challenge of epic proportions, but the reward will be immeasurable. Well done.

Find out more about Smiling for Smiddy. [Visit us online today](#)

Clare Valley parkrun

The Clare Valley parkrun is held every Saturday morning on the Riesling Trail via the southern gate to the Showgrounds, directly opposite Spring Gully Road. To register as a 'park runner' go to the Park Run website. This only needs to be done once and will qualify you for Park Runs all over the world.

Meet at the start point at 7.45 am for an 8.00 am start. For up to date information, photos and times you can go to their Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/clarevalleyparkrun> and please 'like' the page.

Coordinator of the Clare Valley Parkrun is Natalie Clothier. Well done Nat!



Wine Raffle – Win an instant Wine Cellar



Thank you to all participating Wineries who have donated wine for the 'Monster Wine Raffle'.

Tickets are available at Cellar Doors and local Businesses.

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Traker readings up to May 2016

| MONTH | Clare | Watervale | Auburn | White Hut Rd | TOTAL | | |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-----------|
| January | 2422 | 698 | 334 | 403 | 3857 | 3857 | Read 1/2 |
| February | 2214 | 641 | 242 | 442 | 3539 | 7396 | Read 29/2 |
| March | 2696 | 930 | 514 | 470 | 4610 | 12006 | Read 31/3 |
| April | 3934 | 1169 | 739 | 603 | 6445 | 18451 | Read 30/4 |
| May | 2249 | 672 | 438 | 436 | 3795 | 22246 | Read 31/5 |
| June | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| July | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| August | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| September | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| October | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| November | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| December | | | | | 0 | 22246 | |
| TOTAL | 13515 | 4110 | 2267 | 2354 | 22246 | | |
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Finally ... sincere thanks to you, as a Business or Individual Friend of the Riesling Trail for your continued support to upkeep and continually improve the Trail for users. ... **from the Riesling Trail Team**