



FRIENDS OF MOUNT PAINTER NEWS

December 2012

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND MAY 2013 BE A GOOD YEAR FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES!

Many thanks to everyone for your support, interest, encouragement and/or hard work on the reserve. We have achieved a lot this year.

DECEMBER'S WORK PARTY

CHECKING ON MOTHER'S DAY PLANTING AND CUTTING OUT WOODY WEEDS

When: 9am – 12.30pm, Sunday, 9 December

Where: **Western slopes near Glenloch Gully.** Park on the city-bound side of William Hovell Drive at the end of the metal guard rail, 800 metres from the intersection with Coulter Drive. Follow signs from here into the reserve.

The tasks: Installing guards round damaged seedlings planted in 2011, weeding the enclosure, and end-of-year celebration.

Wear: Hat, long pants, long-sleeved shirt, and sturdy footwear. If you own gaiters, you might like to wear them as protection against scratchy grass seeds and thistle patches. Some gaiters will be available for those who do not own them.

Bring: Drinking water, a mug and some food to share for morning tea. Friends of Mount Painter will provide tea, coffee and juice. All equipment will be provided.

For more information contact Sarah Hnatiuk on 0424 263 565 or at sarahhnatiuk@yahoo.com.au

January's work party will take place on Sunday, 13 January from 8.30am to 12 noon. We will meet at the reserve entrance between 20 and 22 Booth Crescent. The tasks to be done will be decided closer to that date when what most needs doing will be clearer than it is now. February's work party will be on Sunday, 10 February.

ADVICE ON MEETING A SNAKE AT CLOSE QUARTERS

The best advice when you meet a snake at close quarters is to stay still - the snake will treat you like a tree and leave you alone. Sudden movement will provoke a response. Press Ctrl and [Click here to see a photo taken during a venomous snake training session for ACT Parks and Conservation Service staff by the experts from Working With Wildlife.](#)

ParkCare and Landcare Volunteer Christmas Party

Thursday 13th December

5.00pm to 7.00pm

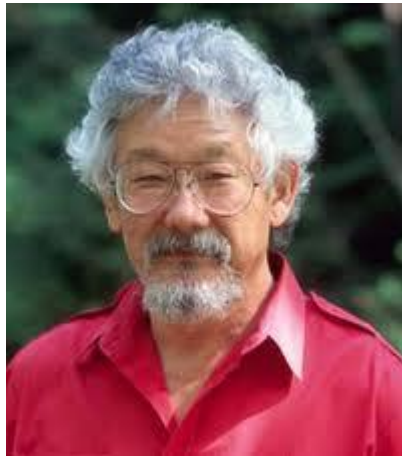
Stromlo Depot
500 Cotter Road, Weston

Please join us for an end of year Christmas celebration.

To assist us with catering please RSVP odile.arman@act.gov.au or
telephone 6207 5570 by Thursday 6 December.

Everyone that RSVPs before 6 December will go into the running for a special
prize.

You must be present to collect the prize.



**AND FOR A STIRRING SUMMARY OF THE WORLD'S
ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS AND WHAT WE MIGHT DO
ABOUT THEM, SEE AND LISTEN TO DAVID SUZUKI'S
ADDRESS TO SEPTEMBER'S LANDCARE CONFERENCE IN
SYDNEY AT**

<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLOKfv6G0Rch8apGeDfjoymrxAeJhGwUvD&feature=plcp>

His speech starts 8 minutes into clip 13 (day 2 sesh 1 pt 1).