BCSC BushCare Action Bee Report, Florabunda Pocket Saturday 06 May 2023 Copied to PCCCG, also to attendees and several others involved/interested.



10 of us started the day off, then we were joined by Lise who has been missing for a few months away with medical treatment. Great to see you Lise, specially looking so well. Then towards the end of out activities we were joined by 7 of Tony Foley's family including his wife Charmaine. Tony tragically died suddenly in March. The family led the planting of a Brachiton discolor, which will be a feature of that area of the site and give us good memories of Tonys contribution to our activities and the pleasure of his company. The family then joined us for an extended cuppa, catered for with expertise by Tim our SCC Officer. Thanks Time for all that.



Other activities for the day are mostly illustrated in the photos.

- Glenn planting some fill-in species including a couple of "Big Figs" to stabilise the banks of a culvert outlet.
- Jim, Gail and Greg continuing the rehabilitation of a section of creek bank cleared of Cestrum parqui and replanted last year. The swampy bit of that site is not progressing well.
- Sarah with assistance from Jan and Judy clearing the weeds from amongst the Lomandras along the path.
- Graeme armed with a treepopper and sidewinder taming the Chinese Elm and Privet nursery next to the major planting.
- Judy and Jan recording birds and comparing notes as abown in the photo, and Judy teamed with Glenn for the creek water test.
- Norm helping with a bit of most of that and realising that we missed the opportunity to remove all the Easter Cassia when it was flowering last month, removed some this time complete with its green beans.

A great morning with lots of diverse things done and all contributing to improving the habitat for local native animals.

We'll be back here on Saturday 03 June 2023 at 8am.

## Norm Morwood, BCSC Coordinator.

Attendees: Tim Byrne, Norm Morwood, Judy Burns, Glenn Burns, Jim Egerton, Gail Hill, Greg Pitman, Jan England, Lise Dunn, Sarah Porteous, Graeme Jones.

Plants Planted.		
Botanical Name	Common Name	No.
Lomandra hystrix	Creek Mattrush	15
Ficus macrophylla	Moreton Bay Fig	2
Litsea reticulata	Bolly Gum	1
Cinamomum oliveri	Oliver's Sassifras	1
Syzygium oleosum	Blue Lilliy Pilly	1
Total		

## **Bird list:**

Australasian Figbird Australian Magpie Bar-shouldered Dove Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike **Blue-faced Honeyeater** Eastern Yellow Robin **Emerald** Dove Forest Kingfisher Galah Golden Whistler Grey Fantail Laughing Kookaburra Lewin's Honeyeater Magpie-lark Masked Lapwing Mistletoebird Noisy Friarbird Peaceful Dove Pied Butcherbird Pied Currawong Rainbow Bee-eater Rainbow Lorikeet Red-backed Fairy-wren Red-browed Finch Silvereye Spangled Drongo Striated Pardalote **Topknot Pigeon Torresian Crow** Varied Triller Welcome Swallow White-throated Gerygone Willy Wagtail Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo

A total of 34 birds this time and an admission that last month I misreported. There were actually 42 recorded that day in April, a new record for the site.