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# THE BUSHLAND RESERVES IN MELVILLE INCLUDE:



## BLACKWALL REACH RESERVE

A small reserve set atop limestone cliffs, providing magnificent river views and you can walk or cycle through beautiful peppermint and tuart trees.

### HARRY SANDON PARK

A 5 hectare banksia woodland with an abundance of wildflowers and birds.

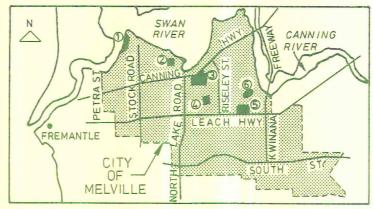
#### WIRELESS HILL PARK

A 40 hectare native bushland with spectacular displays of wild flowers, particularly in spring. The views over the Swan River are magnificent. The features provided include picnic tables and barbecues, public conveniences, playground equipment and a telecommunications museum.

### BOORAGOON LAKE

A 13 hectare lake surrounded by natural vegetation of paperbarks and flooded gums, it plays host over 40 types of birds some of which do not breed anywhere else in the metropolitian area.

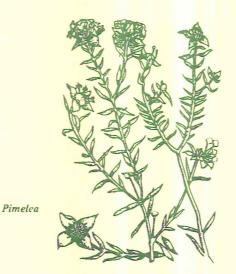




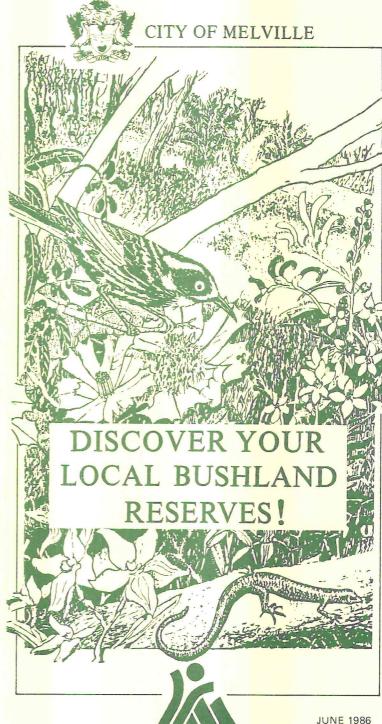
## LOCATION OF BUSHLAND RESERVES

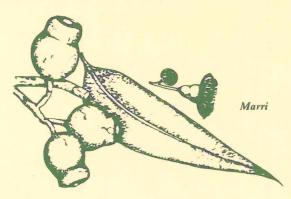
- 1. Blackwall Reach Reserve, Honour Avenue, Bicton
- 2. Harry Sandon Park, Stoneham Road, Attadale
- 3. Wireless Hill Park, Almondbury Road, Ardross
- 4. Hatfield Park, Hatfield Way, Booragoon
- 5. Booragoon Lake, Aldridge Road, Booragoon
- 6. Blue Gum Lake, Moolyeen Road, Mount Pleasant

GATHER YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND DISCOVER THE WONDERS OF YOUR LOCAL BUSHLAND RESERVES!



Artwork. Courtesy of the Department of Conservation and Land Management. Cover sketch by Chris Hill.





#### CITY OF MELVILLE - BUSHLAND RESERVES

The Melville Council is committed to the conservation and careful management of its bushland reserves. We are making contact with the residents of the City and particularly those living near the bushland reserves to enlist your co-operation to help us look after the reserves.

There are many reasons why we need to retain natural bush areas.

#### The reserves are:

- \* A reminder of Nature's beauty which enhance the overall living environment of Melville and make it more attractive to residents and visitors alike.
- \* A children's playground providing a wonderful opportunity for adventure and fun.
- \* A place in which to relax, ''to get away from it all' for a while.
- \* A living history of what our local environment locked like before we came.
- \* A wildlife refuge that can support a wide variety of wildlife. birds, lizards and insects. The more bush areas scattered throughout the City, the more wildlife can be supported overall, particularly birds.
- \* An opportunity for education in many different avenues. including, plants, animals, geology, art geography, history and many others for students of all ages.

Over many years these reserves have been subject to many pressures and have become degraded. Frequent fire is particuarly damaging; also rubbish dumping and trampling. These pressures have led to the deterioration of the native flora, the eradication of native fauna and the proliferation of weeds.



The City of Melville employs an Environmental Officer to assist in the management of these reserves, however we can only do so much. We need the co-operation and help of users and residents living near the reserves and we ask you to take note of the following points.

 Please do not dump garden refuse or rubbish on the reserves as they have several harmful effects. Piles of garden refuse and rubbish create a fire hazard.

Garden refuse introduces seeds and cuttings of many types of plants that do not belong in the reserve. Often these plants overun the native vegetation.

Rubbish not only looks unsightly but encourages further dumping. It also acts as a fertilizer, harming native plants and encouraging weeds.

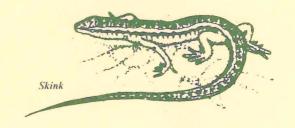




If you see any signs of a fire in a reserve please notify the local fire station IMMEDIATELY.

The O'Connor fire station number is 337 2040. In this way a fire may be stopped before it destroys too much of the reserve.

- 3. If you see anyone harming a reserve, including picking wildflowers, vandalising or using motor vehicles on a reserve, please take note of the registration number of their vehicle, or possible name and address and notify the Superintendent of Parks at the City of Melville during office hours (9.00am to 4.00pm) on 364 0666. On no account should you directly approach an offender.
- 4. The vegetation is very fragile. Please be aware that the picking of wildflowers, dogs roaming unrestrained and the trampling of vegetation can cause further degradation and damage to the reserve, and are an offence under the by-laws of the City of Melville.



We appreciate your assistance and in this way we are working together to conserve our valuable heritage for future generations.