

# Volunteer campground host — a loss for CALM



IAN Ulyatt, an early CALM volunteer for the Campground Host Program, passed away on March 31, 1994, aged 81 years.

He joined CALM's volunteer program in 1990 as one of its first campground hosts.

Ian had been a regular camper for some years and it was while at Shannon Mill campsite, near Pemberton that he met CALM recreation maintenance officer Colin ("Drafty") Hunter.

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"Drafty" introduced him to the then parks and reserves officer Alan Sands, who told him of the Campground Host Program.

Because of his direct experience as a camper, Ian believed he had much to offer the program and promptly sought out community involvement coordinator Colin Ingram to find out how he could

become campground host at Shannon Mill.

In the ensuing three years, Ian brought his infectious zest for life, and love of people and the Australian bush to many campsite visitors, enriching their stay and broadening their experience.

Ian also served as host for a year at Cape Range National Park, near Exmouth.

In 1992, he received a CALM Volunteer of the Year Award for Visitor Services.

One of Ian's often-expressed wishes was to die while camping at his beloved Shannon Mill.

He didn't make it to Shannon Mill but he did die peacefully, while camping in the Gooralong Forest, Jarrahdale.

Ian was a well-respected member of the volunteering community and will be missed by all who knew him.

His wife Hester predeceased him in 1986 and he is survived by their two sons, Mike and Peter.

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