# **NAME OF GROUP 2: Friends of Maritana Bushland**

## **BACKGROUND NOTES by COLMA**

John Hudson has been active for decades with Friends of Hepburn Bushland (FoHB) as well as the broader community conservation network.

In March 2024, FoHB voted to cancel being an incorporated entity and generously distributed their cash assets (approx. \$4,700) to UBC as 'an incorporated entity with similar aims' as per rules of incorporation.

From Facebook posts, <u>Friends of Maritana Bush Land</u> have been active since at least 2013. (NOTE JH confirmed formed in 2005 & were previously members of UBC).

#### **FRIENDS OF MARITANA BUSHLAND**

Maritana Bushland (called Maritana Park by City of Joondalup) is in the suburb of Kallaroo. It consists of two adjacent parts 2.7790 hectares in area near Bridgewater Park, and 2.7721 hectares in area near Maritana Road, both comprising Cottesloe Central & South vegetation complex with overlying Quindalup dune ridge. The plant community is mixed open heath to low shrubland dominated by *Acacia saligna* and *Melaleuca systena*.

It is one of only a few remaining remnants of bushland in Kallaroo. It is managed by the City of Joondalup (CoJ).



A special native plant in the bushland is *Lechenaultia linarioides*, or Yellow Lechenaultia, which has beautiful yellow and pink flowers. [Photo: John Hudson]

Another special plant is *Lomandra maritima*, a low growing bush with long narrow strappy leaves. *Lomandra maritima* is the plant that is home to the endangered Graceful Sun-moth. The graceful sun-moth is a small day-flying moth endemic to south-west Western Australia. It is currently found only on the Swan Coastal Plain between Quinns Rocks and Mandurah. It is visible as a moth only in February and March.

## **How We Started**

The Friends of Maritana Bushland is a community based, voluntary organisation working for the protection and rehabilitation of the Maritana Bushland. The group was formed in 2005.

## **Our Activities**

The Friends of Maritana Bushland liaises closely with City of Joondalup to assist in the management of the bushland area. The group meets at Maritana Bushland on the first Sunday in every month. Work in the bushland includes weed eradication, revegetation, watering, removal of litter and dumped rubbish. Other activities include information displays on the notice board, information days, special activity days such as Clean up Australia Day, involvement of local schools



and community groups, and grant applications. The group also has morning tea after each work session with discussion on the bushland, possible future activities and current issues of environmental interest.

### YOUR AIMS/GOALS/OBJECTS:

- 1. To prioritise the nurturing and preservation of Maritana Bushland through hands-on conservation efforts, emphasising the importance of caring for its ecosystem and biodiversity.
- 2. To foster a strong sense of community connection and stewardship towards Maritana Bushland, recognising its ecological value and promoting collective responsibility for its protection and regeneration.

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#### IS YOUR GROUP INCORPORATED? No

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**GROUP'S CONTACTS / LINKS** 

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#### IF YOU CARE FOR ANY PATCHES OF BUSHLAND......

Names & locations of patch/es:

Maritana Park 43 Maritana Road, Kallaroo; it is adjacent to Bridgewater Park which is a large grassed area.



SOURCE: Google Earth

- Does your patch have any classification (eg Bush Forever / Reserve): No
- Do you know the manager (eg Local Government Authority or Government Agency):
   City of Joondalup
- What threats (if any) are your patch/es under? (eg clearing/weeds/lack of good conservation management/prescribed burning/other): Mostly weeds including increasingly Black Flag, couch and annual grasses.

#### **UBC ADMIN:**

DATE: Initial contact: 4/6/2024 [Note: Check records, used be members of UBC]
DATE: Advance payment received (if relevant): 6/6/2024 = \$34.43 Receipt# 5536112

DETAILS: All relevant information received: 12/6/2024

DATE: UBC Committee Meeting for consideration & endorsement: 19/6/2024 DATE: UBC General meeting for consideration & endorsement: 31/7/2024