

TRAMWAY HILL LANDCARE GROUP
WORKING BEE REPORT
Tramway Hill Reserve
Saturday 15th August 2026

Volunteers present for working bee: Roz Thurn, Angela Brinkhoff, Morris Worsley, Kath McGinty, Susie Quinnell and Ben Brinkhoff

Total man-hours worked - this working bee: 14

The weather was fine with periods of sunshine and the ground wet with pools of water around the reserve.

A flock of sulphur crested cockatoos were seen and heard in neighbouring trees, a pair of plovers were on the northern strip of the reserve and frogs were heard.

Work carried out during this working bee:

A small amount of rubbish and a couple of stray wire tree guards were removed from the reserve.

There is a patch of failed plantings in weathered cardboard tree guards which still need to be removed. A bent 'card table' still remains in the shed on the reserve, to be removed at a later date. The information panels on the shed's internal walls are faded and need removing/replacing.

The sign at the beginning of the reserve is very faded and could do with a spruce up or replacement. Susie has notified council staff via email.

Susie freed up the tap from rust on the rainwater tap.

The reserve is obviously being used for enjoyment - installations of branches against trees and a used 'firepit' in an open area, horse hoof prints on the track and dog walkers seen.

Much of the reserve walked today was weed free. Thistle rosettes were cut and pasted with glyphosate from around the shed (not as many as were expected here) and a denser patch was also treated along the northern boundary under the trees. Several juvenile elderberry plants were also hand-pulled or cut and pasted with glyphosate from this area.

The track to Tramway Crescent was weeded of a few blackberry and briar rose and dozens of *Erica lusitanica* (Spanish heath) - many juvenile and some flowering. 1 small *Acacia howittii* (sticky wattle) was removed. An immediate neighbouring property has adult flowering Spanish heath plants along the driveway adjoining this reserve access track which hopefully will be treated in the near future. Council will be notified and requested to contact property owner who very possibly does not know they are a weed.

Future Works:

Weeding on all sites – Nierinna Creek Reserve, Davis Flat, Brinks Link and Tramway Hill.

Next working bee:

To be advised.

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