

The Friends

The Friends of Onkaparinga Park Incorporated, formed in 1986, are a voluntary group who provide assistance to Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources in the management of the Onkaparinga River National Park and the Onkaparinga River Recreation Park.

The Friends have a yearly program, which includes: -

Working B's (weekdays and weekends)
– feral plant control, revegetation, erosion control, seed collecting, walking trail maintenance, etc.

Scientific research including study of native flora and fauna.

General meetings with guest speakers

Monthly newsletter

Fund raising and publicity

Researching the history and heritage of the Park.

Involvement with Water Watch, Salt Watch, Frog Watch and KESAB.

Social activities – walks, camps, visits to other parks, etc.

Bird watching

Community involvement

Meetings and activities of the Friends are free, and members of the public are most welcome.

The Friends, and individual members, have been recognised for their work in conservation by a number of awards in the community and within National Parks.

The Friends of Onkaparinga Park Inc., along with some 130 other Friends of Parks groups, is a member of the state-wide organisation 'Friends of Parks Inc'.

This gives Groups insurance cover, the means of training and the incorporation necessary when applying for grants etc.

These groups come together in an annual Forum to discuss topics of mutual interest, to learn new techniques and to discuss issues with the Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources.

The Onkaparinga Parks

Stretching from just west of Clarendon to the sea, the Parks include the final stretches of the Onkaparinga River.

The National Park includes a spectacular Gorge and some of the finest remaining pockets of remnant vegetation in the Southern Adelaide region.

The Recreation Park includes the river estuary, wetlands, boardwalk and samphire flats.

The diverse nature of these two Parks offers the visitor a whole range of interesting and exciting activities, including walking, bird watching (205 species recorded) and nature study suitable for young and old.

Spring sees the bush transformed into a spectacular array of wildflowers including many rare species.

This large open space, an asset to the City of Onkaparinga, faces tremendous pressures due to the encroachment of suburbia. It needs help.

Interested?

Then join us at 7.30pm each first Tuesday of the month at the Old Noarlunga Institute Hall, Patapinda Rd, Old Noarlunga and on our regular working bee days.

To become a member, fill in this section (**or EFT**) and return it with your subscription to:

The Secretary/Treasurer,
Friends of Onkaparinga Park Inc,
c/- 27 Kym St. Port Noarlunga South 5167

EFT Details:

Account Title: Friends of Onkaparinga Park Inc.

BSB Number: 805-007 A/C Number: 00707387
(Credit Union SA)

Ref: "Last name", "first name", "subs".

Send email to mackins@tpg.com.au to confirm payment.

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FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$15.00

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$10.00

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All members receive our monthly newsletter and the latest month's program, which gives details of upcoming activities together with telephone numbers of coordinators for your further information.