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Winter Greetings!

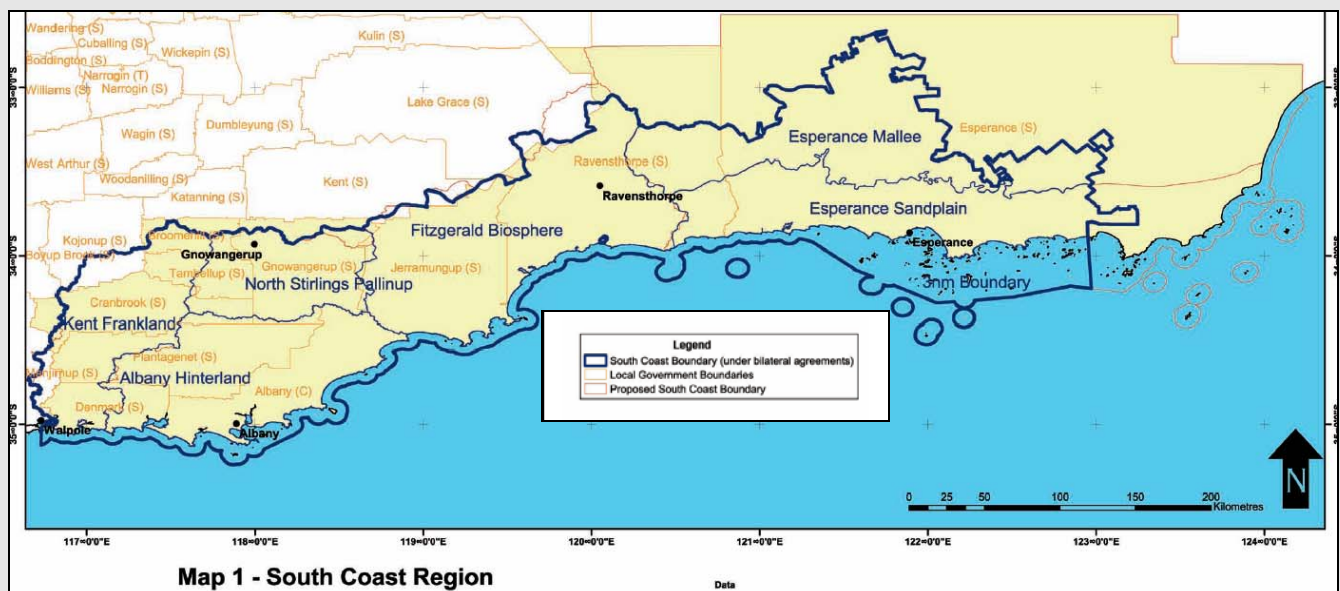
The covenant team has been busy with a number of new voluntary covenants being requested during the past three months. This is great news for conservation on private land with more than 11 000ha of bushland now under covenant. We are in discussion with South Coast Natural Resource Management Inc. to seek their views on the promotion of conservation covenants along the south coast in an area where many landowners have already decided to take the step of voluntarily covenanting their bushland. Our team will be out and about during the next few months, notably at the Dowerin Field Days on 29 & 30 August 2007. If you have planted any seedlings this winter you now need to be on the lookout for pests and weeds as either of these can destroy your hard work.

Best wishes,
Alan Briggs
Manager, Natural Heritage

South Coast NRM Inc.



The South Coast Natural Resource Management Inc (SCNRM), formally South Coast Regional Initiative Team (SCRIPT), is the regional group for natural resource management on the South Coast of Western Australia. The National Trust currently has 26 registered conservation covenants, covering an area of over 15 000 hectares, in the region, protecting over 5000 hectares of native bushland in perpetuity. A further 9 National Trust conservation covenants are being negotiated over an area of 5800 hectares of private land in the region. This emphasises the National Trust's commitment to regional natural resource management initiatives, such as the SCNRM Inc program, and the long term quest to protect Western Australia's unique natural heritage. (<http://www.southcoastnrm.com.au/>)



Dowerin Field Days 2007



The Conservation Covenant Program will be promoting conservation covenants at the Dowerin Field Days on 29 and 30 August 2007. First held in 1965, the Dowerin Field Days has become the biggest rural event in Western Australia, attracting thousands of visitors each year. See <http://www.dowerinfielddays.com.au/index.htm> for further information.

2007 BioBlitz



WWF and the Threatened Species Network is inviting all interested environmental scientists – amateur, professional, ‘wannabees’ and indeed anyone else who might be interested, to come along to the 2007 BioBlitz – on the weekend of [September 15 and 16](#). The 2007 BioBlitz – an intensive 24-hour biological survey and part of this year’s Biodiversity Month will be conducted in the Westonia Town Common [starting at 12 noon on Saturday 15 September](#) and [finishing at noon on the following day](#). To register, or for further information on becoming a team member, or even better, a team leader, please contact:

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Bush Heritage Australia - Newly covenanted property in Borden

Bush Heritage Australia is a national, non-profit organisation dedicated to protecting threatened species and habitats through the creation of wildlife reserves. The National Trust is proud to support the organisation through the registration of a National Trust conservation covenant, over one of their properties covering approx. 966 hectares of remnant native bush and approx. 62 hectares of regeneration land, in the Shire of Gnowangerup. The property adjoins Yarroweyah Falls, a BushBank property, and is an important part of the Gondwana Link project.

Correction - Brian and Janet Penna property location

Unfortunately, in the May edition of the Conservation Covenant News, we printed an error in the location of Brian and Janet Penna’s property. The correct location should be between the Corackerup and Peniup Nature Reserves.

If you have any questions on any of the information provided or would like further information, please contact the Natural Heritage staff at the National Trust.

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