MARGOT WADDELL

We feel privileged to have known Margot and even more blessed to have counted her as a friend whom we admired, respected and loved. She was a caring and devoted wife went about quietly doing good for her family and community and she was a mainstay of AFA from the start. However, Margot's modesty and quietness down-played her role in bringing up her family, supporting her husband and friends and working for the environment in way that many out there in the wider community would barely begin to understand. We maybe poorer for her passing but immensely richer for having known Margot Waddell in this life. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Neil and his family at this time in the hope that this will somehow help them bear the terrible burden of grief they are suffering. We hope that Neil and his family - and extended Waddell family draw comfort from the deep respect and affection we all held for Margot in life and the hope for her richly deserved reward in Heaven.

Jenny & John Snell (Gold Coast Queensland)



AFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: 21st July 2007

WHERE: Braidwood Servicemen's Club, Coronation Ave. Braidwood

TIME: 10am Tea & Coffee available on arrival.

Lunch not provided for but will be available for members after meeting in Servicemen's Club dining room.

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FROM THE COMMITTEE

It is with the saddest of thoughts & fondness of memories that this brief newsletter is being written by the committee. News that foundation member & life member of Access For All, Margot Waddell had passed away on the 18th April 2007 has dampened our spirit and left us all with a numbness which is taking awhile to heal. The Access for All committee & our 500 or so members wish to convey to Neil and his children our condolences during this sad time. Included in this newsletter is part of her eulogy written by John Snell (past secretary for AFA) & read at her service in the Catholic Church in Araluen.

The committee has continued to meet and is now requesting all members of Access For All (AFA) to attend the AGM to assist with AFA'S future direction. Information about the AGM date, venue etc is included in this brochure.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD YOU KNOW?

Regarding membership renewal for the coming year. It has been discussed that perhaps membership renewals should be put on hold for the present until after the AGM. This is in case AFA decides to take a change in direction and perhaps it may not be a direction that will suit all members. So if all members could withhold their annual subscription fees until after the AGM it would be greatly appreciated by our AFA treasurer.

We have received no formal confirmation or reply about our submission to the NPWS on the Management of the South East Escarpment National Park. It has been confirmed verbally that the submission was received and that our submission was reviewed thoroughly, it was made known that this would have been appreciated if it could have been acknowledged in writing.

The mammoth task of Heritage listing bridle tracks continues. Members are wading through the archives to confirm all information is true and accurate. The Shoebridge and Woola to Alpine tracks continue to be researched extensively at present. Going is slow but it is happening.

Our 4WD members along with horse riders continue to be represented at the NPWS meetings that are held around every three months with the AFA committee. Maintenance of trials is high on the agenda at these meetings & the outcome has been a satisfactory one for AFA members with the Shoebridge & Corn trails regularly maintained by NPWS & members working together on the one working bee. Maintenance of 4WD access to the South East Escarpment is not featured highly in NPWS scheduled work programme. AFA will continue to bring this to their attention. More 4WD's visit this area each year & progress is slow when it comes to the NPWS maintaining & increasing facilities available for the increasing numbers of campers to the South East Escarpment.

Hope to see you all at the AGM.

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