

# Field Naturalists Society SA & SA Herpetology Group

## EASTER GENERAL EXCURSION

Para Woodlands Nature Reserve,

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019

Beginning 2pm on both days,  
starting at ROCLA Quarry Gate 9  
along Allendale Road,  
posted with a FNSSA SAHG sign.

ALSO for those wishing to stay spotlighting and  
Anabat recording after dark.

All WELCOME, Members, Families and Friends.

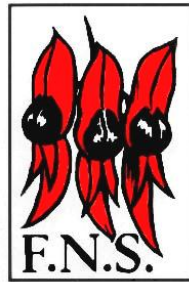
Meeting at Para Woodlands Nature Reserve Quarry Gate 9, along Allendale Road after the intersection with Balmoral Road. The reserve is located in the township of Kalbeeba. The entry gate will be marked with a displayed FNSSA SAHG sign at the entrance.

Para Woodlands Reserve was acquired in 2003 consisting of 500 ha (5 sq km) where revegetation of native grass and plant species are being co-managed by Nature Foundation SA and DEW. Para Woodlands is a former farming property generously donated by Mrs Elizabeth Law-Smith and her late husband David to Nature Foundation SA.

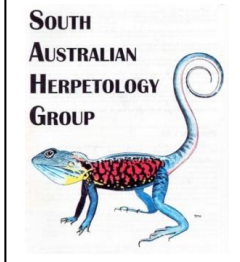
The aim for this reserve is to restore the natural ecosystem to conserve wildlife by providing valuable habitat for declining woodland birds. The property consists of existing remnant vegetation, including River Red Gum (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*), Peppermint Box (*E. odorata*), SA Blue Gum (*E. leucoxylon*), native grasses and herbs. The Para Woodlands Restoration Project is mainly focusing on restoring a functioning grassy ecosystem to the site. In June 2016, 10,000 native seedlings were planted by about 100 volunteers as part of the two-day Para Woodlands planting event.

[<https://www.naturefoundation.org.au/our-properties/para-woodlands-nature-reserve>]

Remember to bring water, drinks, snacks, camera, binoculars, hats, sunblock and walking shoes. Notes on recorded Plant and Fauna will be provided thanks to Dragos Moise (DEW).



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**CANCELLED** if morning forecast is 36°C or above and/or a Mount Lofty FIRE BAN occurs and Mount Lofty parks and reserves are declared closed or if downpours occur. Care needs to be taken given current dryness of grasslands. **Contact Peter Matejci as excursion leader** if participating or if further information is required. Mobile: **0400292311** preferred SMS a message to assist a reply, providing a phone number, email address, or **EMAIL: [pmatejci@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pmatejci@bigpond.net.au)**

