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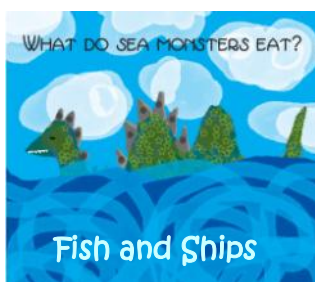
Young Naturalists Club

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Pool Puns

What did one rock pool say to the other rock pool?
-Show me your mussels!



Third Term Highlights

Despite the weather conspiring against us a couple of times, the Young Nats managed to get out and about during 3rd Term.

Mid August many of us ventured out to Torndirrup National Park on the lookout for...SNAILS! They weren't your everyday garden snail (which is in fact a foreigner) but native land snails and they were tricky to find. Fortunately, with the help of expert Nerida Wilson from the WA Museum, our eagle eyed Nats spotted a few of the pretty striped snails, known as *Bothriembryon melo*.



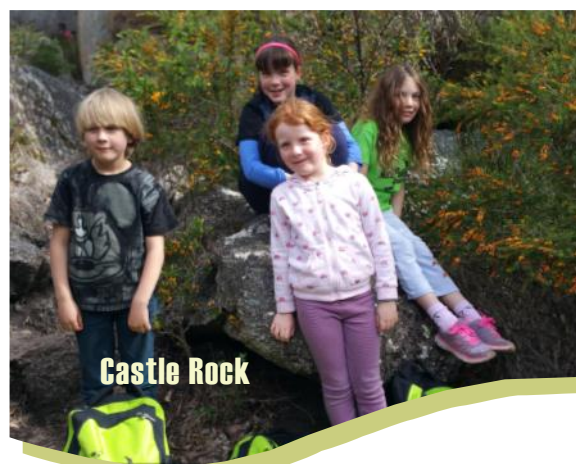
The Young Nats who volunteered to help out with the **Amity Pond Scrub-up** deserve a special mention. They put in a stupendous effort to clean around the shoreline and thoroughly earned their pizza and ice-cream lunch.

Thanks to all the parents as well, and to the Bendigo Bank for the grant we received to cover the food and drinks.

The **Geo-Caching** event in September was a bit frustrating for us. At least we found one! Check the calendar because we will try again at a great location in Denmark.

The Lake Pleasant Ramble was postponed due to stormy weather. Again check the calendar for the rescheduled date.

The **Castle Rock Wildflower** walk was great fun, a beautiful day and gorgeous wildflowers. I was happy as I got to see an orchid!



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Calendar of Events Term Four

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October

Sunday 18th Lake Pleasant Ramble
Start: **12:30 pm**
Location: **Meet at Manypeaks General Store**

Join Vernice Gillies on a ramble around Lake Pleasant View and discover ancient artefacts, lizard traps and hear stories of how aborigines lived in this land. Be on the lookout too for the endangered Australasian Bittern (that's a bird).



Sunday 25th Aussie Backyard Bird Count
Start: **1.00 pm**
Location: **TBA**

We will be joining with the nation to count our local birds. A location is yet to be finalised but here's a link to the bird count website:

<http://aussiebirdcount.org.au/>



November

Sunday 8th Geocaching– Denmark Style
Start: **1.00pm**
Location: **Denmark River**

The search for geocaches resumes, this time around Denmark River. You will need to bring a 9 volt battery to this one! Why? Wait and see!



Sunday 22nd Rock pools Rock
Start: **1.00pm**
Location: **Little Beach -Two Peoples Bay**

Celebrate **World Fisheries Day** (Oct 21) by exploring the wonderful rock pools of Little Beach, Two Peoples Bay with Sheryn Prior, from South Coast NRM.



December

Sunday 6th SPECIAL EVENT
Start: **10.00am**
Location: **Denmark Rivermouth Caravan Park**

Join us for our **End of Year** event:

- cruise the Denmark River and/or Wilson Inlet.
- try out a stand up paddle board, Kayak or paddle boat.
- Enjoy a BBQ lunch

The club will cover the cost of the cruise. BYO food & drink.
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL





Amity Scrub-Up



Snail Hunt



Castle Rock



WA Museum ALBANY October School Holidays & Term 4

In honour of the **International Year of Light**, explore the dazzling science of light and colour through prisms, lenses and photography. Discover how rainbows happen and why sunrises and sunsets are so spectacular.

Experience the wonder of the lens, one of the most amazing inventions of the modern world, and use light and shade to create masterpieces.

26th September to 11th December 2015
10am-4:30pm
Discovery Centre WA Museum-Albany

Trip the Light Fantastic



Remember Me

THE LOST DIGGERS OF VIGNACOURT

12 September – 29 November 2015
A Free Exhibition | WA Museum - Albany

Young Nats under the Microscope

Esther:

I'm 9 years old & I love climbing anything & drawing. I like YNC because we get to see cool things & do interesting activities. It's fun when we get to find things because it's like we're going on a treasure hunt. I love the bags & t-shirts we got when we joined the club. My favourite outing was when we went to Castle Rock to look for wildflowers. It was fun climbing all the rocks & looking at all the flowers.



Honey:

I'm 6 years old. I love watching *Frozen*. I like going to Perth zoo, colouring & doing tie-dyeing. I like YNC because I like exploring & finding stuff. I have a VERY good time at YNC & my favourite outing was Castle Rock - I liked climbing & I like big rocks.

Grace:

I'm 9 years old & I like climbing, drawing, music & I LOVE dragons. I play netball for Narrikup & I play viola. I like YNC because you can learn about things & see things you've never seen before. It's really fun & interesting. My favourite outing so far was geocaching.