



# Activity - 2020

There is no doubt that the pandemic affected our way of working this year. Our early May (lovely weather) Quorn trip was postponed until mid-August (foggy and wet). But all sessions went well, and much was done, perhaps not all that was on the list.

NPWS and our participants were aware of the need for social distancing and that was happily achieved.

All this work is aimed at giving visitors opportunities to see and gain some understanding of the park environment. Feedback suggests that our efforts are well appreciated.



◀ The COVID box came on 3 trips, for some minor use of meths, hand-wash, gloves and wipes

At March's end work was done in our 'local area'; lots of walkers new to parks ▶



◀ This 'Toe of Glacier' installed 2014 disappeared without trace 2018-19

Below cliff top (tricky) a new hole was drilled 2019 for the replacement installed this year ▶



◀ Preparing to paint; 60 to 80 posts in I-FRNP painted blue to improve visibility – approved by at least 2 walkers

The effort repeated in moist conditions for Mt Brown using yellow paint and decals ▶



◀ It was wet, can be VERY wet at times ... 50+ drains were upgraded on Mt Brown.

Sixteen map/topogram plates (~3kg) were replaced, except this one on an 8km walk found to be fully 'rusted on'. ▶





◀ A billy cart for carrying tools up north worked well...  
 ... but objected to being dragged over large boulders ▶



◀ A ticklish job – applying an adhesive banner on site – not a job for a windy day. Many decals applied all in calm weather  
 The Quorn contingent applied cactoblastis to this cactus; white spots ▶  
 are where the larvae start their work



◀ The Dutchman's Stony Creek track had lost width...  
 ... 3 days hard work fixed that ... (but a tree blocked it in September, too late for the chain saw!) ▶



◀ This blockage was fixed on foggy Mt Brown – just as the fog cleared  
 A happy dinner at Balcanoona – with four courses as well as nibbles ▶



*For your socially distanced  
 Christmas Celebrations  
 here are some northern  
 mistletoes ...  
 with  
 Best Wishes*

*at Hell's Gate*



*at Weetootla Spring*

