

Australian Network for Plant Conservation, Inc
presents a workshop on

Identifying plants of grassy ecosystems of the ACT region

Canberra Thursday 22 & Friday 23 November 2007

Venue: Australian National Botanic Gardens and an ACT conservation reserve



What plant is that? How do I tell all those yellow flowering things apart? What's that spiky blue flower? Is that a native grass or is it a weed? What tree is that? Is this a 'healthy' site or is it degraded? This course will help you answer these and other questions.

Objectives

- To improve skills in identifying plants in the field
- To learn to recognise species which indicate quality or conservation value of the site.

Course outline

The course will be mostly field-based:

- Day 1: for beginners and those less experienced
- Day 2: for those with more experience.

You can register for one or both days. Day 1 will start with an introductory session in the ANBG Theatrette before going to the field site. All Day 2 will be in the field.

Skilled tutors will guide you through practical identification techniques. Participants will work in small groups and will move between habitats and tutors during the day.

Course fee (includes catering, transport, information pack, hand-lens & GST):

ANPC member: \$100 per day *Concession (ANPC member): \$75 per day
Non-member: \$110 per day *Concession (non-member): \$85 per day

* Concession for non-employed: e.g. volunteer community group members, full-time students, pensioners.

Registration forms available from the ANPC (website or office – details below)

Registrations close: 5.00pm Monday 12 November 2007

This course is assisted by an ACT Environment Grant and the Centre for Plant Biodiversity Research; the Australian National Botanic Gardens; NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change; ACT Parks, Conservation and Lands; Greening Australia Capital Region; Friends of Grasslands.



Photographs (top to bottom): Blue Devils (*Eryngium ovinum*) occur in temperate woodlands and grasslands; photo: Rainer Rehwinkel. Rough Burr-daisy (*Calotis scabiosifolia*) on a road-side verge near Nimmitabel, NSW; photo: Geoff Robertson. Purple donkey-orchid, *Diuris punctata*; photo: Greg Baines. The threatened Yass Daisy (*Ammobium craspedioides*) at Bowring Cemetery; *Sida corrugata* is found in grassy woodlands; photos: Rainer Rehwinkel.



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