



# Volunteer Position Description

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Program: Reserve and Community liaison

Volunteer Title: Honorary Ranger

## *The Aim of an Honorary Ranger:*

- To increase awareness within the community of issues relating to the Bidjigal Reserve and its management for the three dedications of
  - Preservation of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage
  - Preservation of flora and fauna
  - Public Recreation
- To communicate issues that may affect the safety and amenity of reserve users, or the effectiveness of the dedications

## *Duties to be Performed*

- Safety of the bushcare volunteer and members of the public are paramount, and should always be the first consideration when working in Bidjigal Reserve.
- Nominate an area of the reserve as his/her "patch" to the Volunteer Coordinator
- Nominate willingness to inspect sites in his/her patch at the request of the Trust (on ad hoc basis, to investigate reports from 3rd parties about actual or potential issues in his/her patch)
- Walk his/her "patch" regularly, at least once a month, and/or as requested by the Volunteer Coordinator.
- Report as necessary to the Trust or the Volunteer Coordinator any issues requiring attention
- Attend occasional meetings with other rangers and the Trust
- Be an ambassador for the Trust and the Reserve when speaking to or dealing with reserve visitors.

## *Estimated Hours of Work:*

- A volunteer should not work more than 16 hours per week.
- The time given by an honorary ranger will depend on the size of their patch and the frequency of their inspections, but is likely to be of the order of a few hours per month.

## *Desirable Skill and Attributes:*

- An interest in the Reserve and its management, neighbours and visitors.
- Observation skills
- Communication skills

## *Benefits of Volunteering:*

- Learn new skills
- Meet people whilst helping to look after your local environment
- Physical exercise and fresh air.

**Contact: Bidjigal Reserve Trust for more information**

**Secretary: [secretary@bidjigal.org.au](mailto:secretary@bidjigal.org.au) or phone Wendy on 0487 782 808**

**Volunteer Coordinator: [friends@bidjigal.org.au](mailto:friends@bidjigal.org.au) or phone Jacquie on 0439 711 077**

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