

Wednesday Walk on The Red Track, Red Hill – 18 July 2012

The Red Track is a newly signposted walk which starts from the top of Red Hill. The signage is excellent. There are wonderful views of Canberra at the start and finish of the walk. It first heads south to a saddle then steeply down to the east where it then runs parallel to Mugga Way, finally climbing steeply to the road. We missed the last part of the track which goes through a gate onto the western side. There were lots of young trees - eucalypts and wattles - interspersed with some very old ones – *E. blakelyi*, *E. bridgesiana*, *E. melliodora*, *E. polyanthemos*, *E. mannifera* and *Acacia implexa* mostly with some *A. dealbata* and *A. mearnsii*. Not many flowers but we were delighted to find a small hillside of *Cryptandra amara* var. *longiflora* in bud as well as a large patch of *Rutidosia leptorhynchoides* with a few flowers. Other plants of interest were *Linum marginale*, *Pimelea glauca*, *Dichanthium sericeum*, *Indigofera adesmiifolia* and *Calotis lappulacea*.



Start of Red Track with views south
Image by Jean Geue



New signage Image by Jean Geue



Eucalyptus melliodora Image by Jean Geue



Acacia implexa Image by Roger Farrow



Roger displaying tenacity of *Calotis lappulacea* seed Image by Janelle Chalker



Cryptandra amara* var. *longiflora
Image by Jean Geue



Hillside of *Cryptandra amara* var. *longiflora* Image by Jean Geue



Open woodland, easterly aspect
Image by Jean Geue



Rutidosia leptorhynchoides Image by Roger Farrow



***Allocasuarina verticillata* (female flowers and cone)** Image by Roger Farrow



***Allocasuarina verticillata* (female flower)** Image by Roger Farrow



Xerochrysum viscosum image by Roger Farrow

Plant List for The Red Track, Red Hill - 18 July 2012

? indicates that those present were unsure of the plant name

Acacia dealbata	Eucalyptus mannifera
Acacia implexa	Eucalyptus melliodora
Acacia mearnsii	Eucalyptus polyanthemos
Acacia rubida	Exocarpos cupressiformis
Acaena ovina	Exocarpos strictus
Allocasuarina verticillata	Geranium sp.
Aristida ramosa	Glycine clandestina
Asperula conferta	Glycine tabacina
Austrodanthonia laevis	Goodenia pinnatifida
Austrodanthonia sp.	Hardenbergia violacea
Austrostipa bigeniculata	Hydrocotyle laxiflora
Austrostipa scabra ssp. falcata	Indigofera adesmiifolia
Bothriochloa macra	Lepidium pseudohyssopifolium
Brachychiton populneus	Linum marginale
Bulbine bulbosa	Lomandra filiformis ssp. coriacea
Bursaria spinosa	Lomandra filiformis ssp. filiformis
Calotis lappulacea	Lomandra multiflora
Carex breviculmis	Microlaena stipoides
Cassinia longifolia	Panicum effusum
Cassinia quinquefaria	Pelargonium australe
Cheilanthes austrotenuifolia	Pimelea glauca
Chrysocephalum apiculatum	Plantago varia
Chrysocephalum semipapposum	Rubus parvifolius
Convolvulus erubescens	Rutidosis leptorhynchoides
Crassula sieberiana	Senecio quadridentatus
Cryptandra amara var. longiflora	Solanum cinereum
Cymbonotus lawsonianus	Solenogyne dominii
Daucus glochidiatus	Stackhousia monogyna
Desmodium varians	Themeda triandra
Dianella longifolia	Vittadinia cuneata
Dichanthium sericeum	Vittadinia gracilis
Dichondra repens	Vittadinia muelleri
Einadia nutans	Wahlenbergia luteola
Elymus scaber	Wahlenbergia stricta
Enneapogon nigricans	Xerochrysum viscosum
Eucalyptus blakelyi	
Eucalyptus bridgesiana	