



Friends of the Lavender Federation Trail

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Thank you Friends

South Australian Recreation Trails Inc.

Thank you for being a Friend of the Lavender Federation Trail (LFT). We rely on your support because although the fee is relatively small it helps us maintain the trail and undertake additions. Your support shows that you are prepared to put something back. You number only around 50 compared with the thousands who are Friends of the Heysen Trail, so encourage any friends who enjoy our trail to make a contribution. We believe that our trail is the longest in the world constructed entirely by volunteers.

Maintenance is now a major undertaking and your contribution helps to fund this. We have a maintenance team for each section of the trail who do excellent work. This year inexplicable three stiles were stolen and these have been replaced.

We always intended the trail to be a spine onto which loop, link and spur trails could be added and this will continue. This year we have completed:

- A link trail to Callington,
- A loop trail to connect Mount Pleasant to the main trail,

The Map 2 reprint has been completed and is the first of our maps to include the new and exciting cyclist's version of the trail. This is titled M2C and a GPS version of the route can be found on the web. <https://lavendercyclingtrail.org.au/>

We have a wealth of experience in trail design, funding, construction and maintenance. These we freely offer to anyone as consultants. This year we have been working with other groups on:

- Wakefield Council's extended proposal for a Leasingham to Port Wakefield trail and other trails.
- Three Riverland Councils on their proposal for a trail from Mannum to Renmark.
- Adelaide 100 Project.

The Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council and the Regional Council of Goyder commissioned a study of desirable walking trails in their areas. The report proposes 12 trails, of which 5 are intimately connected with the LFT. We are about to develop plans with the councils.

Chris Bushell.