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I have attached a the method that I used for carrying out the regeneration program the article is out of " Revegetation Principals and Options " by P. Bulman, B. Cohen and A. Jensen 1993 Printed by SA's State Print.

Shorts

Horses

Well believe it or not I have seen that you can have horse and a lot of natural regeneration. On my home each day from work I pass by these paddocks each 1/2 an acre with one horse in them. Even though there has been incredible regrowth of Eucalyptus calmaldulensis. These horse are still creating boggy areas mainly because their board. One summer the owners of the land took the horses out of their little confined spaces and placed them in a neighbouring one that was much larger were they were kept for several months. During that period the trees started to grow and when the plants became semi-hardened off the horse were allowed back in and the place is starting to look much better.

Dune Care

I have just recently started to revegetate some dunes (coastal that is) using direct seeding. I have started the project in the hind dune going closer to the coast each year. The species that I have chosen were the ones that were not regenerating to well on the sand dunes namely the Callitris sp., Alocasuarina sp. and Acacia retinodes.

Next year I hope to add to the list Quandongs first I need to find a method to propagate them so any one who can offer help please send in some information.

Tube Stock Selection Project

I have decided to do a project on the best species for growing in tubes with the selection being restricted to:

Growth in tubes

Survival after planting

Effectiveness on the environmental problem

The origins of the project is from a recent query that was asked by a Landcare group on the effectiveness of species for controlling stream bank erosion. The project is part of a Landcare groups work with reducing the effects of stream bank erosion. Where selection and growth have been a major problem in the progress of the project. Another problem has been the lack of knowledge of choosing what species to use.

So don't be afraid maybe you have an idea what would make a good project if so drop me a line I may be able to help you.

Photo-library

I have been asked by a couple of interstate newsletter editors to keep a library of photos. So that as a group we can use the photos to help publicise the group. So feel free to send in the snap shots of revegetation works or areas of natural vegetation that are being managed also include a note on what the Photo is all about.

NEXT NEWSLETTER

In the next newsletter I would like to put some of your views on items or interest so sent to me your articles (don't be afraid to write).

I'm putting a new section in the next newsletter called the classified section (I'm starting to collect a whole heap of brochures on conference workshops and the like from other groups). Please let me know if you want this stuff in the newsletter. An alternative might be tell me what you want in the newsletter.

In the next newsletter I be including a tear off for those of you who think that we should start working with the effects of fires on native vegetation.

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Deadline for the next Newsletter is the 30/11/95 and hopefully you should have it in the post box by late December in time for Christmas!

Bye for Now

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¹ By the way a soak is a small area of Wetland Salinity