



# North Head Sanctuary Foundation

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## Next Meeting – Wednesday 2 June 2010

Our next General Meeting will be in the Education room in the Gatehouse at 6.30pm. Visitors welcome.

## Education Centre

We are open every weekend, from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Please call in and see our displays, in Building 21. Walk past the Parade Ground, continue along the road till you see our new banner and then follow the footprints from our gate.

## Native Plant Nursery

We are really happy to be working with Nelika Hughes (AWC) on a new project concerned with finding out if the bandicoots have a preference for a particular habitat. The picture shows one area planted out with *Lomandra longifolia*. The wire fence will remain in place until the plants thicken up. Other plots will have *Dianella*, *Dillwynia retorta* and the like.



We have a lot of tube stock still to be planted, and would welcome extra planters. Register with Jenny at northhead@fastmail.fm.

## Join us

We are a volunteer organisation and we need your support to continue our protection of North Head. Just being a financial member adds your voice to ours and although we need more helpers for various activities, you can be a member without being a volunteer.

## Orchids of North Head

By Geoff Lambert



*Spiranthes australis* taken by Geoff Lambert

The number of orchid species known from North Head continues to grow. New species (that is, "new" for North Head) have been reported by NHSF Secretary Kathy Ridge, SHFT's Peter Jensen, the SHFT landscape gardeners and Geoff Lambert. Currently the list stands at 16, with the following tentative identifications:

<i>Acianthus</i> sp.,	
<i>Caleana major</i> ,	
<i>Caledonia</i> sp,	
<i>Calochilus robertsonii</i>	Purplish Beard Orchid,
<i>Chiloglottis trapeziformis</i> ,	
<i>Cryptostylis erecta</i>	Cup Orchid,
<i>Cryptostylis subulata</i>	Tongue Orchid,
<i>Dendrobium linguiforme</i>	Tongue Orchid,
<i>Dipodium punctatum</i>	Hyacinth Orchid,
<i>Diuris sulphurea</i>	Tiger Orchid,
<i>Erythrorchis cassythoides</i>	Climbing Orchid,
<i>Orthoceras strictum</i>	Bird's-mouth Orchid,
<i>Prasophyllum</i> sp.,	
<i>Pterostyllis</i> sp.,	
<i>Spiranthes australis</i>	Austral Ladies' Tresses
<i>Thelymitra ixioides</i> .	

## Something in the Air

If there is an unpleasant smell in the air at North Head, please report it to Sydney Water's 24 hour number 9934 4423 & also to DECCW on 131 555.

