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Bungendore Landcare teams up with ATCV

Using Federal Government funds to plant shelter belts on private property is a new initiative used by The Australian Trust for Conservation Volunteers (ATCV).

They combined with members of the Bungendore Landcare group to plant a shelterbelt on the Davy family property on Friday, 1 September.

Over 2,500 trees were planted by the enthusiastic overseas volunteers, who have come from California, France, Korea and England to work with ATCV on a range of conservation projects in various parts of regional NSW. The volunteers were joined on the day by ten local members of the Bungendore Landcare group, and together achieved the amazing result which gave the local group a tremendous boost.

The project is funded through the Natural Heritage Trust and is directed at establishing wildlife corridors between remnant vegetation pockets.

ATCV Team Leader Cath Anderson says "this is a great opportunity to assist local people in their efforts to help the environment. ATCV is delighted to be associated with such a group of dedicated conservationists".



Bungendore artist Theo Tremblay shows Djardie Ashley (centre) and Bobby Bunnungurr the grave site of an unidentified Aboriginal boy in Bungendore Park. Djardie and Bobby, from Ramingining in Central Arnhem Land have been performing at the National Gallery celebrating the return of *The Aboriginal Memorial* from St Petersburg's State Museum. Both are also visual artists and will spend 5 days as artists-in-residence at Theo's NFP Editions Tremblay studio in Bungendore.

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Historical gravesite!

Despite several word of mouth recollections of the early gravesite in the Bungendore Park and a photograph which proves the existence of the old grave several Bungendore residents remain sceptical about the existence and location of the grave.

However publicity in last Monday's issue of the *Lake George News* has encouraged more people to come forward with in-

formation which confirms its existence and location.

The latest informant is Mr Bill Smith now of Nar-rabundah, in the ACT.

Bill lived in Bungendore as a boy and clearly remembers the gravesite, the old picket fence around the grave and recalls the story that it was an old bushranger's resting place.

Short of digging up the area, which is 20 metres west of the War Memorial, there seems little more the Historical Society can do to prove its case.

Most other villages would have a rock and

plaque erected as a matter of urgency.

In Bungendore the issue seems to have raised little shire or village support for its preservation.

— Greg Nye



Colin Daniel, Charlie Lundie, Darcy Griffith, Ivy Daniel, Gladys Daniel and 1934 Ford with the bushrangers grave in the background.

