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Sungei Buloh Nature Park

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Picture of a mangrove seedling,
Avicennia alba.

EDITORIAL

It is a pity that many people deem the Mangrove as a dun and dull place. For beyond its forbidden exterior lies an enchanting place teeming with life!

Take time and explore the mangrove swamp, smell the flowers, and you will discover that the mangrove habitat is home to a wide variety of flora and fauna. We are highlighting the Mangrove in this issue of “Wetlands”. So you will find mangrove and more mangrove articles.

You will probably wonder if we, the Mangrove Maniacs, ever get tired of it. The truth is, each visit to the mangrove brings forth a new experience. Each experience enhances our understanding of this magical place. And armed with a better understanding, we are able to better appreciate the value of mangrove. So do jot us down in your diary as we present you opportunities to get close to the calls of nature. You too will be captivated by it all. 🦋

linda goh

The departure of the migratory birds in March does not mean a lull in activities at the Sungei Buloh Nature Park.

From April to August, many of our resident birds are busy setting up their own family. RAMAKRISHNAN keeps them under his watchful eyes as he introduces the nesting habitat of one of the Park's most common bird, the Copper-throated Sunbird.

Journal of a Nature Warden:

COPPER-THROATED SUNBIRD'S NESTING HABITAT

The lively Copper-throated Sunbird has never failed to delight many of our Park visitors. Especially the pair that flies in and out of the young mangrove trees (*Avicennia alba*) found in front of the Main Hide. However, what they may not be aware of is the nest that is lying right under their nose amidst the trees. It is so close yet so far for all, except the very observant.

I have been observing this particular pair of Copper-throated Sunbird for almost three years now. They have been breeding successfully using the same nest at the same site all these while. Most of the sunbirds that I have observed tend to build new nests for each breeding season. This is essential as the nests undergo wear and tear from the exposure to the natural elements.


These two sunbirds, on the other hand, have every reason to rejoice. They have selected a well-protected

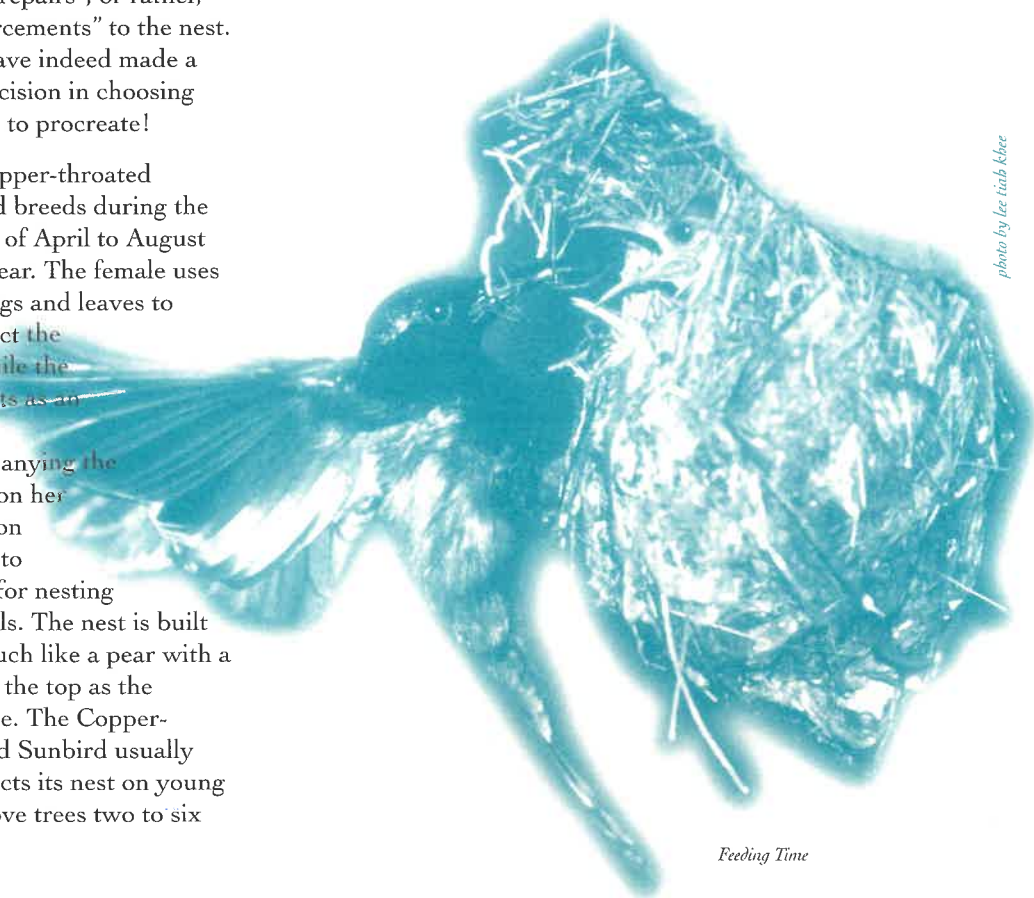
home for their offspring. The roof of the Main Observation Hide protects the nest from the harsh weather conditions and the thick mangrove patch deters any potential predators. With each breeding season, the pair only need to do minor "repairs", or rather, "reinforcements" to the nest. They have indeed made a wise decision in choosing this site to procreate!

The Copper-throated Sunbird breeds during the months of April to August every year. The female uses fine twigs and leaves to construct the nest while the male acts as an escort accompanying the female on her collection rounds to source for nesting materials. The nest is built very much like a pear with a hole on the top as the entrance. The Copper-throated Sunbird usually constructs its nest on young mangrove trees two to six

feet above ground facing the inner side of a pond or the sea.

Do look out for these lively little creatures on your next visit to the Park.

Krishnan
14 May 1998 



MANGROVE MANIA &

Launch of "A Guide

to Sungei Buloh Nature Park"




The dark sky made way for a fine morning on 10 June 1998 at the Sungei Buloh Nature Park. The birds were chirping happily as we welcomed our many guests to the Mangrove Mania and launch to "A Guide to Sungei Buloh Nature Park", an event jointly organized by the HongkongBank as part of the year-long celebration to countdown the Park's 5th anniversary.

The Guest-of-Honour, Associate Professor Low Seow Chay, MP for Chua Chu Kang and Deputy Chairman, GPC for the Environment, was in the company of Professor Leo Tan, Chairman, National Parks Board, Mr David Dew, Deputy CEO, HongkongBank, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, CEO, National Parks Board and Mrs Lee Wai Chin, Deputy CEO, National Parks Board.

The guests and 120 youths from the Regional Youth Seminar on Youth Participation in Environmentally Sustainable Development were at the Outdoor Classroom to witness the launch of the new guidebook and unveiling of the new location map by the Guest-of-Honour, Associate Professor Low Seow Chay. The easy-to-use guidebook and signages have been designed with the aim of enriching the experience for visitors. Containing

generous information on the flora and fauna found at the Park and a colourful birdchart, the guidebook will enable even first-time visitors to identify the Park's aviary residents. In line with our theme "Mangrove Mania", the Guest-of-Honour also potted a mangrove seedling, the *Bruguiera cylindrica*, for nurturing to be planted at the end of the year.

After the launch, the guests took a leisurely walk along the Mangrove Arboretum and boarded the clubcars to view the breeding herons of the Park before returning to the Visitor Centre. All of them left feeling that much had been done to protect this ecological jewel and that we must continue to take good care of this invaluable treasure Mother Earth has entrusted to us. 



...I am certain that when people can attain a better understanding of the Park's precious ecosystem and its remarkable myriad of living creatures and plants, they will also gain a fuller appreciation of the uniqueness and value of Sungei Buloh Nature Park to our living environment.

I am confident that this will lead Singaporeans to become even more appreciative of the environment as a whole. Which is why I am very pleased to be here this morning to witness and contribute towards this commendable initiative by National Parks Board and HongkongBank to inject even more value into this national treasure of ours and enrich the experience for all visitors to Sungei Buloh Nature Park.

If for no other reasons, the many young faces I see here this morning offer a useful reminder to us that we are using our living environment on borrowed time from our children and the generations that follow them. We are as such obligated to our children to take good care of our environment lest we leave nothing but a trail of problems for them to contend with...

Associate Professor Low Seow Chay
MP for Chua Chu Kang
And Deputy Chairman, GPC for the Environment

photo by ballitab abnaco



Launch of "A Guide to Sungei Buloh Nature Park"

Collectively, the 120 youths from the Commonwealth Regional Youth Seminar posed a "big" challenge for LIM HAW CHUAN and his aides as they went all out to capture the youths' attention and get them wild about the mangrove.

Mad About Mangrove

In the morning on the 10 June 1998, the Visitor Centre of Sungei Buloh Nature Park was bustling with life. Guests came to attend the launch of "A Guide to Sungei Buloh Nature Park". The crowd was bolstered by a strong contingent of 120 youths from the Commonwealth Regional Youth Seminar. These youths were having a seminar on their roles in Sustainable Development.

A trip down to Sungei Buloh, which would normally be quite leisurely, was unusually eventful for the youths. First, they attended the official launch of the Park's new guidebook and the unveiling of a new

location map at the Outdoor Classroom. The unveiling of the location map signified a concerted effort between HongkongBank and Sungei Buloh Nature Park to enrich the experience of visitors to the Park.

After the official launch, the youths were led through the Park, a conservation success story in itself, on an educational tour. They were briefed on the nature of the Park, its history and its flora and fauna by our staff and a volunteer. Throughout the tour, the youths were kept busy. They were encouraged to collect seeds of mangrove plants for our Mangrove Mania programme. These seedlings would be cared for and later replanted in appropriate spots. The enthusiasm was further heightened by the promise of the heron series of first day covers to the team that collected the most species.

What better way to learn about the mangrove plants than to identify the mother trees and looking out for seedlings under and around them.

After an educating and "fruitful" round, the youths were treated to a sumptuous round of refreshments while their collections were sorted. To the elation of the youths, there was a tie among the three teams which meant a prize for everyone! A few youths were also selected to carry out demonstrative planting witnessed by their peers. At the end of the morning, the youths left knowing more about the mangrove, knowing that they had contributed to the conservation of wetland and knowing what they have learnt and contributed was just the beginning of a long path to nature awareness. 🦋

photo by halilab ahmad



Planting a Seed of Hope

He was caught red-handed in the act of telling a tale. LINDA GOH, a witness of the scene, reports.

Caught Telling A TALE

It all happened behind closed doors.

With the help of an ally, he accomplished what he came to do at Sungei Buloh Nature Park.

An amazing story was crafted and narrated.

He and his perfect companion managed to keep us spellbound for half an hour.

What exactly did he feed us on that fateful day that we gave him our ears?

It all started off with us asking the volunteers to brainstorm for stories to be told in the Park. Kelvin K. Param, a Park volunteer, came forth enthusiastically with his story on Mr. Monitor Lizard. Mr. Monitor Lizard has a lesson to learn in order to live in harmony with the aviary residents of the Park. The story which was set in Sungei Buloh Nature Park has received favourable comments from Ashley Bryan (American author and illustrator of children's books). On 21 March 1998, the Park began its inaugural story-telling session. This is yet another achievement for our public education programme with the invaluable support of our committed volunteers.

Contact us if you want the tale to be told again. 🦋



Spin Doctors in Action

Sea Hibiscus



Take time and smell the flowers as **JAMES GAN** reveals the flower

Flowers of

Three-leaved Derris

The tropics and especially the mangroves are not especially noted for their abundance and variety of conspicuous flowers. A hurried walk through the Sungei Buloh Nature Park may lead you to agree with me. However, the same walk taken at a slower pace coupled with a keen eye for details will reveal flowers of all shapes, colours and sizes.

One of the most conspicuous flowers is that of the Sea Hibiscus (*Hibiscus tiliaceus*). The Sea Hibiscus is a beach forest tree. The flowers are bright yellow, large and showy. Though flowering occurs all year round, the flowers last only a day. You

can see the flowers when they open in the morning. By evening, the flowers would have closed and the petals may have dropped off. Sungei Buloh has plenty of Sea Hibiscus trees. Look out for them as you walk along any of the routes and trails.

Another beautiful flower of a plant usually found on the landward edge of the mangroves is the Crinum Lily (*Crinum asiaticum*).

The white flowers are large and spectacular. They span about 20 cm across and are lightly and sweetly scented. They grow in a bunch at the end of a long stalk. There is a large plant outside the Theatre and a few others

beautiful white flowers. The trees flower twice a year from April to June and October to December, apparently after an appreciable period of dry weather. The flowers open in the early morning around 3 to 4 am and wither the following day. Some luck would be needed to see them in bloom. Take a breather if you have a chance to see them and you may agree with me that the sweet scent of the flowers is better than any perfume. There are a number of trees in the Park reserve but the easiest tree to find is the one slightly to the left of the Main Hide.

You may notice among the trees and plants in the Park that a number of them are covered with vines. These vines are part and parcel of the mangrove community and they are found predominantly in the back mangrove areas. One such vine is the Three-leaved Derris (*Derris trifoliata*), a legume that is closely related to the groundnut, pea and bean plants. It has white or pinkish white flowers. The inflorescence can grow to 20 cm in length and each individual flower is about 1cm in diameter.

A plant in the Park reminiscent of the Christmas Holly because of the spiny



Crinum Lily

located around the Visitors Centre for those of you who are interested to admire the beauty of the Crinum Lily.

The Alexandrian Laurel (*Calophyllum inophyllum*), a coastal tree, also produces

Alexandrian Laurel

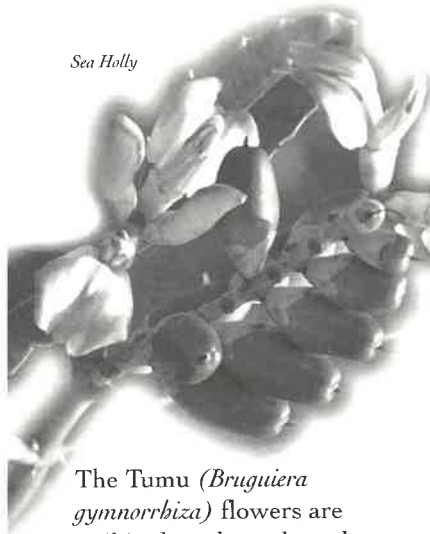


ner of the mangrove swamp that attracts us like bees to nectar.

the Swamp

leaf margin is the Sea Holly (*Acanthus ilicifolius*). This plant can be found along the Mangrove Boardwalk. It has purplish white or light blue flowers and the pollinators of the flowers are believed to be birds and bees. As these flowers bloom for only two to three days, enjoy them while they last.

Sea Holly



The Tumu (*Bruguiera gymnorrhiza*) flowers are strikingly red, a colour that attracts birds. Hence the pollinators of these flowers are believed to be birds. The deep floral cup contains an abundant reservoir of nectar which serves as a reward for the birds that visit the flowers.

Each of these flowers also possesses an interesting explosive pollen discharge mechanism. A bird pollinator attracted by the nectar and whose beak touches the base of each petal activates the

mechanism. Pollen discharged onto the bird may then find their way to the stigma as the bird goes from flower to flower.

The *Excoecaria agallocha*, also known as Blind-your-Eyes because of the effects of the tree's noxious white latex on exposed eyes, has male and female flowers that are borne on separate trees. The sex of the flowers is difficult to distinguish to the untrained eye. The male inflorescence is longer than the female inflorescence. Male and female trees are best identified by the production of 3-lobed fruits. Only female trees produce fruits. The fruits are less than 1cm in diameter. The flowers are believed to be pollinated by bees as the pollen is sticky.

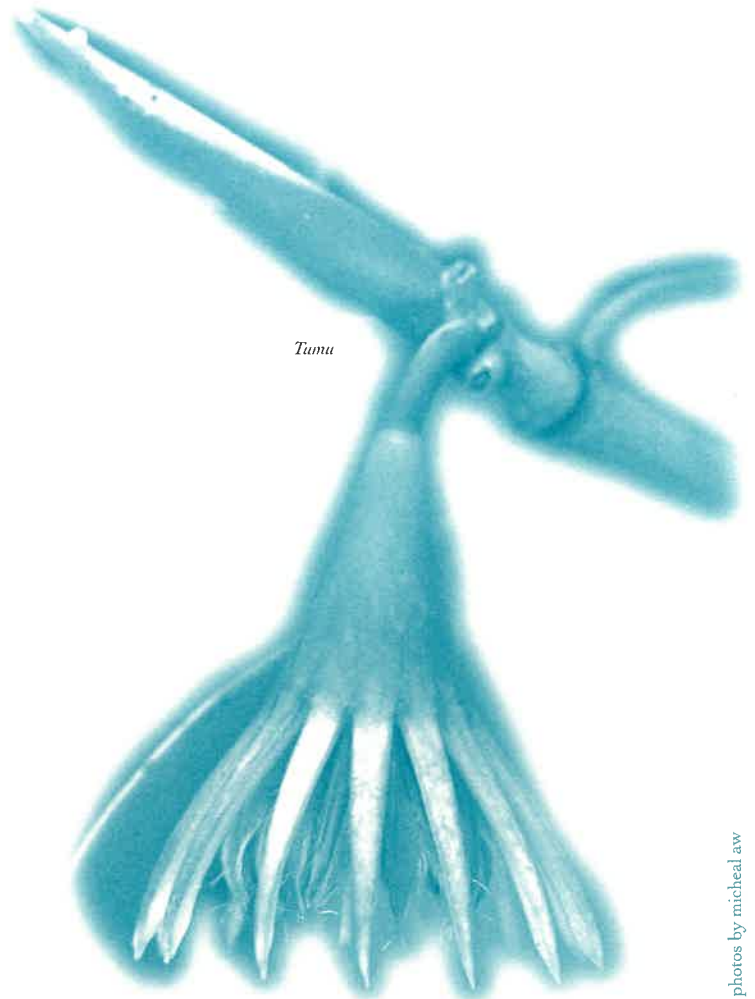
Attap chee, a key ingredient in the local dessert ice kacang, is obtained from the fruit of the Nipah Palm (*Nypa fruticans*). The palm is found in various locations of the Park but is best viewed at Hide 1C. The inflorescence is unmistakable and encloses female flowers at the terminal end and male flowers on the lateral branches. Small flies are believed to be the main pollinators. Sugars tapped from the inflorescence can be distilled into industrial alcohol after fermentation.

It is not difficult to find the trees and plants described in this article. The Park has recently placed 200 plant signs beside and on the trees for your easy identification and enjoyment.

Good luck on your mangrove flower hunt in Sungei Buloh Nature Park! 🦋



Young Fruit of Nipah Palm



Tumu

Follow in **HOW CHOON BENG'S** footsteps as he walks you through the rustic lifestyle of the village people.

Ubin Lifestyle

Taking the bumboat to Pulau Ubin more than transports you across the Serangoon Harbour; the fifteen minutes and \$1.50 ride also brings you back in time to an island insulated from the rapid development that overwhelmed Singapore for the last thirty years. Time travel will start the moment you set foot on the bumboats. These timber-hulled vessels are slow, loud and will constantly remind you how rough the waters are today. Still, the journey provides the perfect introduction to what is in store for you on the island.

First stop on Ubin is the village centre - a row of simple timber houses where you can obtain your daily sundries, vegetables, a full meal or rented bicycle for the day. Stepping into one of these shops, you will inevitably tread on bare concrete floors ventilated by a slow turning ceiling fan. Pay for

a purchase and your change will be retrieved from a used Milo tin suspended from a pulley overhead - just like the days before the advent of the cash registers. This is by far the busiest part of Ubin; it is a commercial district and social focal point. Here, gossips, headlines and updates are exchanged over a cup of coffee or under the Angsana tree. Before you venture further, do remember to register yourselves at the nearby local police post for safety reasons.

Travelling along, you will come across numerous orchards and fish farms. None of these utilise any modern machinery. All chores are performed manually. Every vegetable, fruit and fish is painstakingly cultivated. As the younger folks look to the city for a more comfortable life, the sight of a sun-darkened farmer hunched over the field or pond becomes a rarer sight. Do keep a lookout for these orchards and fish farms.

They will give you an insight into the traditional way of farming.

Ubin has an extensive granite core and the mining activity has provided many of the local residents with a steady income for the past two decades. Over the years, most of these operations have wound down but the sound of rock blasting which for so long formed part of the daily sounds in Ubin continue to linger in the memory of the islanders. In the abandon quarry, rainwater is accumulating. The deep quarry and their scars are slowly being transformed into scenic and enchanting lakes. Come visit Pulau Ubin as it beckons you to soak in the beautiful sights and sounds of the place with the village people.

For more information of Pulau Ubin, you can visit our Information Kiosk on the island or call our Pulau Ubin office at 542 4842.



Sungei Buloh Nature Park at the Heart of the Lion City

Earth Day '98

by lim siok hua

Once again, Sungei Buloh Nature Park joined hands with Timberland for a 2nd round of fund-raising project for the Park's conservation and education efforts. For the first time, Sungei Buloh Nature Park reached out to the Public at the heart of the Lion City, Orchard Road.

In conjunction with the Earth Day celebration, an Earth Day booth was set up at Ngee Ann City from 25 March to 9 April 1998 and at Centrepoint Shopping Centre from the 10 April till 22 April (Earth Day itself). The Earth Day items namely T-shirts, mugs & cactus plants were sold to the public and the proceeds collected went to the Park. There were also many kind donations made by members of the public.

On 19 April 1998, a group of 80 less-privileged kids and the staff of Timberland were brought on a Mangrove Ramble by Park staff and volunteers. It was a rewarding experience for both the guides and the children as they learnt more about the inhabitants of the mangrove swamp.

As this project wraps up, we would like to thank Timberland and the public for their generous contributions towards nature conservation.



A Sight which is still Present in Ubin

Mangrove Mania by linda gob

Are you interested to bring home a part of the mangrove?

photo by kallitab abninao



Jabbing in an Everlasting Moment

A rare proposition we posed to you, our valued visitors. On 18 April, 30 May and 27 June 1998, visitors were given a chance of a lifetime to spot, collect, pot and bring home mangrove seedlings from the Park. Many were excited to be the custodians of these seedlings. After three months, these saplings will be brought back to the Park to be planted. Finally, a mangrove plant to call your own.

All these were possible but not before our volunteer guides gave the visitors a thorough and essential introduction to the unique assemblage of the mangrove flora and fauna, and the ways to nurture the seedlings. With a better understanding and appreciation of the mangrove ecosystem, visitors were able to recognise the cause of our programme and render us their support by caring for the seedlings.

To you who took the extra step to care for the seedlings, we applaud your efforts to help us conserve the mangrove. 🌿

Our love for the mangrove led to a close encounter with the swamp creatures. Find out more as CHAN SU HOOI discloses the rendezvous.

Swarming to the Swamp

9th May 1998, 2pm.

Everyone gathered at Sungei Buloh Nature Park full of enthusiasm - volunteers, undergraduates and staff alike. We were all eager to start the "Introduction to the Mangrove Swamp", an enrichment course via Siva's style. None of us want to miss out on the opportunity to get up close and personal with the mangrove and its inhabitants after hearing much about how Siva conducts his mangrove ramble.

He started off with filling us up on the status and location of mangroves in the world and in Singapore before we moved on to the Mangrove Boardwalk. We got well acquainted with 10 of the most common mangrove species as we were made to examine, draw and jot down notes on the plants that were pointed out to us. Through this activity, we found out many interesting facts like why the Sea Hibiscus

attracts ants. Apparently, the Sea Hibiscus secretes nectarins that the ants feed on through the 3 tiny slits on the veins of the leaf. This is a form of defense mechanism which the plant practises to protect its leaves from being eaten up by predators as the ants fight to protect their "benefactor".

The second part of the programme brought us back to the theatre where Siva gave us an interesting slide presentation on the macro and micro-habitats of the mangrove ecosystems. Then we 'marched off' to Sungei Buloh East beyond the boundary of Sungei Buloh Nature Park, where we met up with the creatures of the swamp. We braved through the long grasses, walked past the old prawn ponds and before long, we were transported into the mysterious mangrove swamp.

We move carefully around

the mangrove roots with the trees towering above us. Carpets of algae on the mud resembled that of a golf course turf. Unlike the golf turf, these carpets were teeming with life! We saw many tiny creepy crawlies hiding beneath the carpet as we slowly picked it up. Siva helped to identify the creatures which were mainly crustaceans and molluscs.

The further we ventured the more enthralled we were about the swamp. Then we came to a point where our walking skills were put under test. We encountered the "quick sand" of the mangrove swamp. We watched in awe as Siva made his way towards a stream with the mud reaching almost up to his waist level!

Soon, it was our turn to attempt the journey across the soft mud. Some of us got stuck while others just breezed through effortlessly.

One (no names mentioned) was stuck so badly that we had to dig him out of the mud. It sure looked like he was having a mud bath. As we approached the edge of the mangrove swamp, we took time to wash up as well as admire the beautiful view of Johor Bahru.

The coolness of the evening and the silent call of the wild kept us so enraptured that we all yearned to stay back a little longer. However, time beckoned us to return to the Visitors Centre as the last rays of light hid behind the horizon. Thus we bid a hasty farewell to the enchanting woods as we traced our footsteps back to the Park and to civilization. 🌿




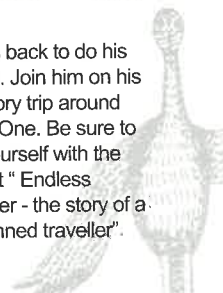

Editor's note:

Sivawo is currently doing his PhD in NUS. He is a principal demonstrator of the Habitat Group with the NUS School of Biological Sciences. Mangrove habitat is one of his favourite haunts for his guided groups. We would like to thank him for his kind offer to open this programme to the volunteers and staff of Sungei Buloh.



Countdown to Sungei Buloh Nature Park 5th Anniversary

Page 10 What's Coming Up

<p style="text-align: center;">30 Nov '97</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COUNTDOWN TO SUNGEI BULOH NATURE PARK 5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION</p> <p>The Sungei Buloh Nature Park Education Fund was set up. A cheque of \$120,000 from the HongkongBank's Care-for-Nature Trust Fund was presented by Mr Connal Rankin, General Manager & Chief Executive Officer, HongkongBank, to Dr Tan Wee Kiat, Chief Executive Officer, National Parks Board.</p>  <p><i>Launch of the New Sungei Buloh Nature Park Brochure</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30 Nov '97 - 6 Dec '97</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BIRDWATCH '97</p> <p>A week-long annual event, visitors were fascinated by migratory birds such as sandpipers, plovers etc. Guides with telescopes were stationed at the Main Hide to assist spotting and identifying our feathered friends.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KIDS' LUCKY DIP</p> <p>Many happy children brought home prizes such as binoculars, stamps prints, first-day covers and other souvenirs. Prizes sponsored by HongkongBank.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30 Nov '97 - 30 Nov '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SPOT - ART COMPETITION</p> <p>This year-long competition is divided into 2 categories: Primary School & Secondary School. Each month, 10 qualifiers from each category will get \$100 book voucher from HongkongBank. Monthly winners will be eligible for the Grand Finals that will be held on 5th December 98.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17 Jan, 28 Feb, 21 Mar '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HERONWATCH</p> <p>This fun-filled activity featured the herons at the heronry. The importance of conserving the wetland habitat supporting the herons was highlighted.</p>  <p><i>Participants in Action</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18 Apr, 30 May, 27 June '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MANGROVE MANIA</p> <p>Nature a mangrove seedling. After 3 months, plant it in the Park.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">2 June & 5 June '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JUNE VACATION WORKSHOP</p> <p>Students from Boon Keng Primary School & Parry Primary School participated in this year's June Vacation Workshop. Participants were introduced to the wide variety of flora and fauna of Sungei Buloh Nature Park. They learned about the Park and how the flora and fauna adapt to their habitats.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10 June '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MANGROVE MANIA & LAUNCH OF "A GUIDE TO SUNGEI BULOH PARK"</p> <p>Guest of Honour, Associate Professor Low Seow Chay, MP for Chua Chu Kang and Deputy Chairman, GPC for the Environment, officially launched a set of educational signages & "A Guide to Sungei Buloh Nature Park".</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1 July - 30 Sep '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ECOLOGY TRAIL</p> <p>Let "A Window to the Big Picture" lead you through some basic concepts of Ecology.</p> <p>Venture from station to station along Route One and discover fascinating facts of life.</p> 		
<p style="text-align: center;">1 Oct - 31 Dec '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WADERS TRAIL</p> <p>"T.T." is back to do his rounds. Join him on his migratory trip around Route One. Be sure to arm yourself with the booklet "Endless Summer - the story of a seasoned traveller".</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">5 Dec '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COMPLETION OF MURAL "VISION"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SPOT-ART COMPETITION FINALISTS</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">8 Dec & 10 Dec '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BIRD SKETCHING WORKSHOP</p> <p>Circles, squares; rectangle, triangles..... Do you know that birds come in shapes that are familiar to us.... Come and join us for a quick and easy way of learning how to draw birds using simple shapes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5 Dec - 12 Dec '98</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SPOT ART FINALISTS RESULTS & EXHIBITION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BIRDWATCH '98</p>		

I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE

by *adeline chia*



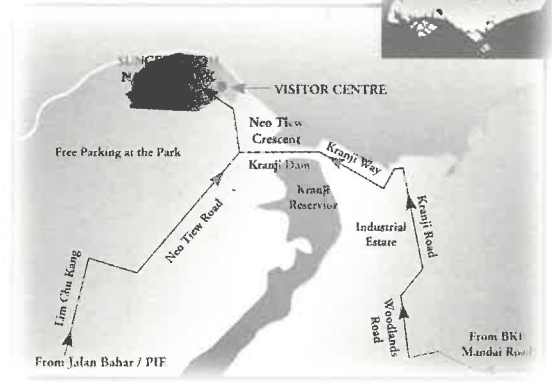
INTERESTING INCIDENTAL RECORDS BY PARK STAFF

	Location
Bird	March to May
Water Cock	Buffer Pond (Staff Route)
Olive-winged Bulbul	Outdoor Classroom
Rusty-breasted Cuckoo	Mangrove Arboretum
Black Bittern	Hide 2A
Great Reed Warbler	Visitor Centre Carpark Freshwater Pond

INTERESTING BIRDS SIGHTED BY VISITORS FROM MARCH TO MAY

- Chestnut-bellied Malkoha
- Japanese Sparrowhawk
- Black Baza
- White-browed Crake
- Lesser Tree Duck

Map to the Park



Opening Hours

7.30am to 7.00pm on weekdays

7.00am to 7.00pm on weekends

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\$0.50 per child/
student/senior citizen

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Audio-visual Show

Mondays to Saturdays
9.00am, 11.00am,
1.00pm, 3.00pm,
5.00pm.

Sundays and
Public Holidays
Hourly from
9.00am to 5.00pm

Visitor Centre Facilities

- Theatrette
- Cafeteria
- Nature Gallery
- Nature Cove
- Toilet

Park Facilities

- Boardwalk
- Route 1
- Route 2
- Route 3
- Bird Observation Hide
- Tower Hide
- Screen
- Outdoor Classroom
- Platform
- Shelter
- Binoculars
- Emergency Walkie-talkie

Getting There

Mondays to Saturdays:

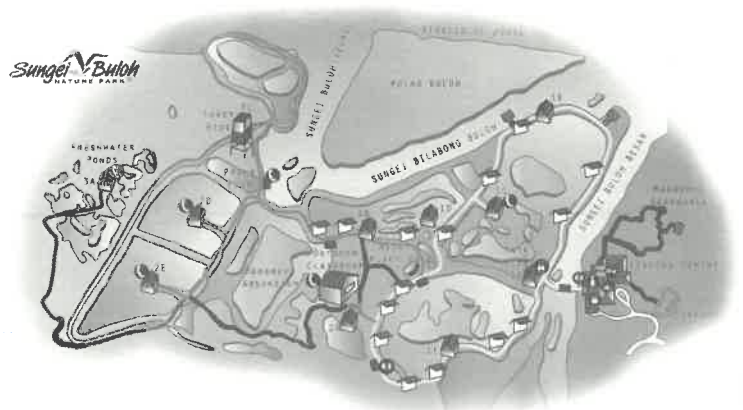
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for a 15 min walk
to the Park.

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Public Holidays:

TIBS 925 will stop at
the Park entrance.

Map of the Park



Would you like to have a Squirrel as your neighbour?



The Squirrel, often irresistibly cute and cuddly, eats a variety of food, but you can harm them if you feed them with our food. The co-existence between animals and man is delicately balanced. Nature, the environment and us – all part of the same web of life that is as fragile or as strong as our efforts to protect and care for it. Symphony 92.4 FM's Care-for-Nature series offers an insight into understanding, respecting and caring for nature. Tune in and find out how you can make the difference.

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