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Territory Parks Alive in Owen Springs

Locals and tourists are encouraged to participate in a free ranger-guided walk at the Owen Springs Reserve at 1pm on Sunday 3 August 2008.

Chief District Ranger, Chris Day said the talk is the last of five held at Owen Springs Reserve this year in accordance with the *Territory Parks Alive* program.

“This is the last of our guided talks through the park so I urge all locals and visitors to head down to the park on Sunday to explore the beauty of Owen Springs Reserve,” Mr Day said.

“The one hour talk will journey back into the days of the explorers and the pioneers of the pastoral industry in Central Australia.

“Whilst enjoying the fascinating history of the reserve, enjoy the explorations of John McDouall Stuart, the building of the Overland Telegraph Line as well as the pastoral history of Owen Springs.”

An initial meet and greet will be held at the Old Homestead ruins, 17km south of Larapinta Drive with access restricted to 4WD vehicles only.

“*Territory Parks Alive* offer great opportunities to meet a Ranger and learn about our National Parks,” Mr Day said.

“It is a free program and talks across the Northern Territory and is run from May to October each year.”

A complete program for *Territory Parks Alive* 2008 is available from www.nt.gov.au/parks

Events are also advertised locally and in the parks themselves.

For more information on any of the guided walks and talks contact Chris Day on 8955 1119 or Parks and Wildlife on 8951 8250.

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