



NEW ENGLAND NORTH WEST LANDCARE

REGIONAL UPDATE

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5 KEYS TO A HAPPY RETIREMENT

Friday, 27 September 12 – 1pm
AEST RuralBiz Training invites you to come online with Lyn Sykes to explore 5 keys to preparing for a happy retirement plus get an insight into Lyn's own retirement experience...

Lyn is recognised as Australia's leading succession planning facilitator. She is highly sought after as a keynote speaker at conferences.

To join this free webinar log on at www.rurlbiztraining.com.au

RAA FARM FINANCE CONCESSIONAL LOANS SCHEME

NSW Rural Assistance Authority (RAA) currently have a 'Farm Finance Concessional Loans Scheme' available to farmers allowing them to refinance up to \$650,000 of their farm debt. Applications close 30 September 2013. Full details available here <http://www.raa.nsw.gov.au/assistance/farm-finance-package>

NSW RURAL WOMEN'S GATHERING

The 2013 annual NSW Rural Women's Gathering will be held in Scone on 25, 26 and 27 October.

There is a fantastic line-up of tours, more than 60 workshops on offer, and a host of other great activities you don't want to miss. Oh, and don't forget the ever popular Partner's Program!

Registrations are filling up quickly so jump online <http://www.upperhuntertourism.com.au>

HEALTHY SOILS WORKSHOP

Healthy soils, Healthy animals, Healthy people & Healthy profits

Wednesday 9th October 2013

New England Club, Glen Innes

Costs just \$20 per person
Limited to 20 people

RSVP and payment by 2nd October to secure your registration.

Contact GLENRAC on 6732 3443 or office@glenrac.org.au

COMMUNITY LANDCARE GRANT SUCCESS FOR BUBBOGULLION 100 MEMBERS

Bubbogullion 100 Landcare members were excited to receive the news of success in the 2013-14 Community Grants which were recently announced.

The funded project will provide information and support to those seeking to investigate tropical/subtropical pasture species as alternatives to traditional cereal-lucerne rotation regimes.

Landcare members and non-members will be invited to complete a survey, attend field days of workshops and a bus trip to better understand the positive and negative aspects of these grasses, learn how to establish and manage them and see them in action.

A follow-up survey will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the project. For further information on the project, call Wayne Chaffey on 0400 358 217.

NSW ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST GRANTS

The NSW Environmental Trust invites grant applications to its Restoration and Rehabilitation Program

Grants of \$5,000 to \$100,000 available to:

- Community organisations and non-profit associations (total program \$2,000,000)
- State and local government organisations (not schools) (total program \$2,000,000)

Applications open 21 September 2013 and close on 31 October 2013

Guidelines, application forms and more information available on the Trust website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/restoration.htm

For further information about the above grant programs please contact the Trust on 02 8837 6093 or email info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au

WINGS 'N THINGS BIRD & BUSH FESTIVAL

Gwydir Shire Council will host it's first ever shire wide event this October long weekend. Wings 'n Things Bird and Bush Festival will run from Friday 4th to Monday 7th October 2013 and is a celebration of the incredible variety of birds located within the shire.

For enquiries, contact our friendly Visitor Information Centre Staff on 02 67240066 (Bingara) or 02 67290046 (Warialda).



CARING
FOR
OUR
COUNTRY

Send your news for the Landcare Update to
Jennie Coldham at jennie@gblc.org.au



GRAVESEND CARP MUSTER

Friday 18th, Saturday 19th &
Sunday 20th October 2013
Essy's Crossing, Gwydir Highway
Hosted by the Royal Hotel Anglers
Club

Registration from 4PM Friday &
9AM Saturday & Sunday—\$2.00pp
BBQ available & Light
refreshments

Saturday weigh in 10am—4pm,
Sunday weigh in 10am—12noon

All entrants must abide by current
NSW Fishing rules and regulations.

WORKING BEE AT PEEL RIVER

Sunday 6th October 2013

The monthly Tamworth Urban
Landcare Group Working Bee will
be held behind the Tamworth
Skate Park off Peel Street Sunday
6th October 2013 from 8:30am to
11:30am.

For further information:
info@trla.org.au

NEW DIGITAL RESOURCE TO HELP IN FIGHT AGAINST WEEDS

Dow Agro Sciences have
developed a new Woody Weed
App for your iPad.

The app has information on the
basic weed biology, the optimal
time of treatment, the range of
herbicide options available with
labels and safety data sheets as
well as application videos. There
is also a useful section on treatment
options: what technique to use,
what to avoid and why.

It's available now from the iTunes
store using your iPad.

GUIDE TO REVEGETATION IN THE NAMOI CATCHMENT

Planting trees back into the
landscape is a challenging but
rewarding job. There is nothing
more satisfying than watching your
plants grow and seeing native
wildlife drawn to an area you
planted.

The guide contains practical
lessons from landholders and
experts who have successfully
reduced erosion, provided habitat
for insects to help with pest
control and stabilised river banks.
It provides information on the best
ways to plant native vegetation
and make revegetation projects a
success.

If you would like a copy of this
publication please contact your
local Namoi CMA office and we will
have one mailed out to you.

MACARTHUR-STANHAM TO LEAD LOCAL LAND SERVICES

Minister for Primary Industries,
Katrina Hodgkinson, has
announced the appointment of Mr
John Macarthur-Stanham as the
inaugural Chair of the Local Land
Services (LLS) Board of Chairs.

Mr Macarthur-Stanham has held
senior positions and directorships
including appointments with Dairy
Farmers Milk Co-operative, CSR,
Sugar Australia, Sydney Catchment
Authority and The Trust Company
and he also runs a dairy farm and
poultry operation at Menangle.

More information on LLS is
available at [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/
locallandservices](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/locallandservices)

NUNDLE PRIMARY SCHOOL HIGHLY COMMENDED

The amazing Landcare and
environment programs being run at
Nundle Primary School and the
involvement of the whole
community was recognised at the
NSW Landcare Awards earlier this
month. Nundle Primary School
were awarded a Highly
Commended Award in the hotly
contested Junior Landcare Award.
Congratulations to the team at
Nundle!

AG-N-CHAT WOMEN'S WEEKEND

Book early to secure your place at
this "not to be missed" event in
Warialda on Saturday 2nd & Sunday
3rd November 2013. An interesting
array of workshops, activities and
guest speakers.

For more information contact the
GWYMAC Landcare Office on 02
67211241 or visit
www.gwymaclandcare.com.au

NSW LANDCARE GATEWAY

In case you haven't heard yet. The
NSW Landcare Gateway
www.landcare.nsw.gov.au was
launched at the NSW Landcare and
Catchment Management Forum.

The NSW Landcare gateway
provides a platform for Landcare
groups in NSW to share their stories
and upcoming events. It will also be
an important location for the wider
community to find out more about
Landcare, it's activities and local
Landcare groups.

Add your group to the Gateway -
contact John Perrott 02 9842 8064
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