

Glen Innes Natural Resources Advisory Committee

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Community Action Grants



CARING **OUR**

GLENRAC has been successful in securing 3 new Community Action Grants announced last week. These grants are funded by the Australian Government.

- Rummery's Hill Landcare Group \$11,000
 - Dung Beetle Friendly Farms, \$20,000
 - Soil carbon monitoring on Ben Lomond farms Year 3 \$20,000

More information of these grants will be available through GLENRAC newsletters and e/updates in early 2012.

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Coming Events

Dung Beetle Field Days 30th Nov & 1st Dec



Three "mini field days" will be held around Glen Innes next week. Topics to be covered include dung beetles, buffalo fly & pesti-

Wednesday 30th Nov. Dundee 1:30-5:30pm, 234 Nant Park Road

Thursday 1st Dec. Wellingrove Hall 8:30am-12:30pm & then, Pinkett Hall 1:30pm-5:30pm

RSVP by the 29th Nov to GLENRAC on 67323443

Nocturnal Evening

Five Corners near Inverell is

3rd December 7:00pm

a property dedicated to educating the community on environmental conservation. Owner Shirley Handy will host a nocturnal evening on Saturday 3rd December from 7:00pm. Special guest for the evening is terrestrial ecologist Wendy Hawes. Wendy will lead an exploration of Five Corners after dark. RSVP to Shirley on 02 67 56 2251.

Managing Coolatai Grass to **Create Productive Pastures**

8th December 2011 9:00am to 12:30pm

This field day will be hosted by the Benton family at "Reedy Creek" Strathbogie and will show case the results of the second year of a trial to control & manage Coolatai grass and the promotion of native grass and introduced legumes to create a more productive pasture.

Guest speakers will include Lester McCormick & Bob McGufficke from the NSW

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Rummery's Hill Landcare **Group Meeting** Saturday 10th December 1:00-3:00pm

If you are interested in joining the Rummery's Hill Landcare group are invited to attend a meeting at "Oakleigh". The Rummery's Hill Landcare group is interested in learning how to manage their land to maintain and enhance the biodiversity values of the local habitat in conjunction with lifestyle and farming pursuits. Contact GLENRAC to RSVP by the 8th December.

Current Funding Opportunities

bcu Bill Ussher **Agricultural Grant**

This scholarship consists of two awards:

- 1. A winning prize of \$7700;
- A runner up prize of \$3300

This scholarship is designed to provide educational or

research funding to assist family run agribusiness in keeping abreast with industry changes and new technology. Closes 9th December 2011. More information at www.bcu.com.au

\$8 million for bush regeneration projects

The NSW Government has just opening a new funding round for Community Bush Regeneration Large Projects, offering grants of between \$200,000 and \$250,000 for projects which will run for up to six years. Applications close 31st January 2012.

Full details at www.environment.nsw.gov.a u/grants/envtrust.htm