

Glen Innes Natural Resources Advisory Committe

# **GLENRAC E-UPDATE**

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## NEW!

Become a Member of GLENRAC! Membership is free, forms available by request by email or from the office

#### DATE CLAIMER

Trees for Farms Field Day to be held next Thursday 13th October at "Yirri North".

If you are planting trees this Spring or interested in planting in the future don't miss this field day.

Guest speakers include Sarah Caldwell from Mole River Nursery and Danny Lightfoot from Glen Industries.

Thanks to Sam & Bea Baker for hosting this event.

*RSVP by 11th October to 02 6732 3443* 

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# Coming Events & News

It is the month for field days, see below dates for field days to be held across the New England

#### NSW Grasslands Field Day 11th October

To be held at the Glen Innes Research Station from 10am-4pm. Cost \$10 members, \$15 members includes morning tea and lunch. RSVP to Carol Harris 0458 206 973 or Jennie Coldham 0427 260 258.

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Trees For Farms Field Day 13th October

<-- See notes in side column

MDU Resource Management Competition Field Day Inverell 14th October

This field day will be held on the 2011 Champion property "Billabong" Woodstock Road, Inverell. Owned by Nattai Investments and managed by the Morris family.

Key note speaker will be Matt Barton from Wellington. More information is available at the GLENRAC office or by email on request.

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#### GLENRAC welcomes new Project Officer

GLENRAC would like to introduce our new Project Officer, Lucy Faithfull. Lucy has started work for GLENRAC in September and will be working on a number of projects including tree planting and soil carbon.

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#### Feral Photos Wanted!

The Invasive Animals CRC is

running a photography competition. They are calling for entries of feral animals and /or the damage they can cause. All entries must be provided electronically or in hard copy with a completed entry form. Finalists will be featured in the 2012 Feral Photos Competition calendar. Visit www.invasiveanimals.com/ feral-animals

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#### NEW! Bush Tucker, Boomerangs & Bandages Book

This is new book from BRG CMA. It is a guide to the common plants of the catchments and will assist you to indentify and understand the uses of plants by the Aboriginal people.

The book is free and is available at the GLENRAC office.

## Current Funding Opportunities

#### Border Rivers Gwydir Sustainable Farming Grants—NEW!

A new grants program from BRG– CMA has just been announced this week. Application forms are now available on-line at <u>www.brg.cma.nsw.gov.au</u> or hard copies available form the GLENRAC office.

Sustainable Farming Practice grants will enable the BR-G CMA to fund new farm research and demonstration projects that could boost the bottom line for landholders, while also improving the long term health and sustainability of our natural resources.

Eligible projects include innovative plans to: improve groundcover & soil condition; maximize water use efficiency; improve grazing management; manage erosion; better manage land within its capability limitations; stabilize stream banks; install alternative watering points and/or revegetate waterways.

The funding has been pro-

vided through the State Government's Catchment Action NSW and the Commonwealth's Caring For Our Country program, with the aim of improving farm management.

Projects must maintain or improve productivity, and priority will be given to those projects that benefit both the local landscape and the catchment as a whole. Applications close 21st October 2011.

