CDL Roundup Newsletter June 2023

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Upcoming Events:

Wednesday 14th June – No-kill Cropping Systems Workshop with Bruce Maynard

Learn how to transition to no-kill cropping with Bruce Maynard. No-kill cropping is a unique, revolutionary technique that relies on the retention of full grassland functions and consumption of almost no external inputs. Bruce Maynard is the winner of the 2022 Bob Hawke Landcare Award and an agricultural innovator from Narromine NSW.

The workshop with be held at Corowa Golf Club, from 9am to 4pm. Lunch and morning tea provided.

To register **CLICK HERE or** contact Courtney Young - corowalandcarecourtney@gmail.com



Wednesday 14th June – 'drink droving' introduction to 'self-herding' with Bruce Maynard

Self-herding is a behaviour-based livestock management approach that provides farmers with strategies and tools to positively influence grazing distribution (manage weeds more effectively!), and help livestock adapt to new surroundings. It also leads to easier yard work and better performance of animals after transportation.

The workshop with be held at the Royal Hotel, Corowa from 7pm.

To register <u>CLICK HERE</u> or contact Courtney Young - <u>corowalandcarecourtney@gmail.com</u>

SELF HERDING WITH BRUCE MAYNARD

Join us at the pub for a 'drink droving' introduction to 'self herding'



Wed 14th June 7:00pm Royal Hotel, Corowa NSW

Register at corowadistrictlandcare.org.au



Tuesday 27th June - Farm Business Management workshop, Oaklands (hosted by Murray Local Land Services)

Farm Business Management is an essential part of any farm business. However, getting your head around some of the key concepts is often confusing, especially if you're new to farming, or in need of a refresher. This one-day workshops will help participants develop a greater and clearer understanding of some basic principles of Farm Business Management. It will also develop skills to help manage the farm business now, as well as planning for the business into the future. Participants will be provided with a range of take-home tools and have the time to begin to apply them to their own business.

This workshop will be presented by Paul Blackshaw, a farm business consultant with Meridian Agriculture in Northeast Victoria. Paul provides farm financial analysis, benchmarking, business performance, and succession planning. To registration for the workshop <u>CLICK HERE</u> or for more information contact Paul Simpson, Senior Land Services Officer – Mixed Farming Systems Local Land Services (0439 384 749 or Paul.Simpson@lls.nsw.gov.au).

See flier later in newsletter.

Friday 30th June - Sloane's Champions Spotlight Night

Sloane's froglet (*Crinia sloanei*) is a small-threatened species that is restricted in NSW to only a few locations along the Murray River. One of the largest populations is found in the Corowa region.

Sloane's Champions is a community survey and monitoring program where you can join in through the FrogID App and help monitor the presence of the froglet in Corowa. The data collected from this program will help to plan and prioritise conservation work to secure its long-term future.

Join our local frog expert David Hunter (Department of Planning and Environment), to learn about Sloane's froglet and awareness of Threatened Species at Whitehead Street Wetlands, Honour Ave, Corowa, on Friday 30th June 2023 at 5:30pm.

RSVP to Meredith meredithmitchell@corowalandcare.com.au by 23rd June.

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Native plant giveaway

Our native plant giveaway is happening again this year. The Corowa District Landcare (CDL) Native Plant Giveaway is for CDL members and Federation Region residents only.

All orders need to be received by Friday 30th June 2023. To order please CLICK HERE

This native plant giveaway is supported by the CDL Grassy Woodlands Project funded by Murray Local Land Services; Superb Parrot Project supported by Local Land Service and funded through the NSW Government Environmental Trust; and BirdLife Australia Saving the Nectar Sippers – Birds on Farms Southern NSW Project supported by the New South Wales Government's Saving our Species program.

Corowa District Landcare Native Plant Giveaway

Each order consist of 20 plants. There is a choice of 4 different mixes of plants to choose from:

- · Woodland bird mix for farms
- Woodland bird mix for gardens
- Nectar mix
- Grassland wildflower mix



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Friends of River Street Wetlands

Friends of River St Wetlands (66 Federation Ave, Corowa) have regular working bees on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month from 2 pm to 4pm. Please wear sturdy shoes, bring a hat, gardening gloves, and bring drink bottle.

Corowa District Landcare has a Riparian Restoration Grant to undertake works at this wetland. The grant will fund the removal of woody weeds and the replanting with native vegetation to improve frog and bird habitat.

All welcome. If you are interested in joining or for more information, please contact Meredith on 0475 455 643 or meredithmitchell@corowalandcare.com.au

Useful Link

Landcare NSW Connection - May 2023 CLICK HERE

Regional Roundup – May 2023 CLICK HERE

Murray Local Land Services Newsletter - Local Land Services May update CLICK HERE

Murray Region Animal Health Update - Autumn 2023 CLICK HERE

Ruminati - Emissions Estimates for Agricultural Operations

This Landcare Farming Program webinar recording showcases Ruminati's streamlined digital platform. Watch to learn about the Ruminati pilot platform and how it currently supports Australian cattle, sheep and grain producers to generate accurate, detailed and personalised emissions estimates for their farm enterprise. Watch here. WATCH HERE

BirdLife Australia – Bird on Farms southern inland NSW Project

Landholders and birdwatchers unite to improve habitat for threatened nectar-sippers in southern NSW.

BirdLife Australia is excited to announce Phase 2 of its 'Saving the Nectar Sippers' project in southern inland NSW, which aims to support the recovery of the three threatened woodland birds – the Black-chinned Honeyeater, the Little Lorikeet and the Dusky Woodswallow.

This new 4-year project is funded by a co-investment model between the NSW Government's Saving our Species program, the Foundation for National Parks and Wildlife and BirdLife Australia.

"We are excited to be partnering with both BirdLife Australia and the NSW Government's Saving our Species program to ensure the protection of these threatened species so that current and future generations to come, can enjoy them in their native habitat" said Ian Darbyshire, CEO of Foundation for National Parks and Wildlife. "Our project will support landholders, Landcarers, and birdwatchers in the community to plan and manage for threatened species' populations and their habitats, and to be involved in the monitoring of their recovery" said Ben Humphries, an Albury-based project coordinator at BirdLife Australia.

Undertaken in partnership with West Hume Landcare and Corowa District Landcare, *Saving the Nectar Sippers Project Phase 2* will involve BirdLife Australia and Landcare working together assisting landholders in priority areas to implement improved habitat management on their properties, such as revegetation, creating habitat movement corridors and installing protective fencing around important habitat areas. These actions will improve the prospects of the three nectivorous birds – the 'nectar-sippers' - with associated benefits extending to a range of other threatened woodland fauna such as the Regent Honeyeater, Painted Honeyeater, Swift Parrot, Grey-headed Flying Fox and Squirrel Glider.

Community engagement activities and data collection will also be implemented in several key stages to ensure maximum effectiveness of related on ground restoration works.

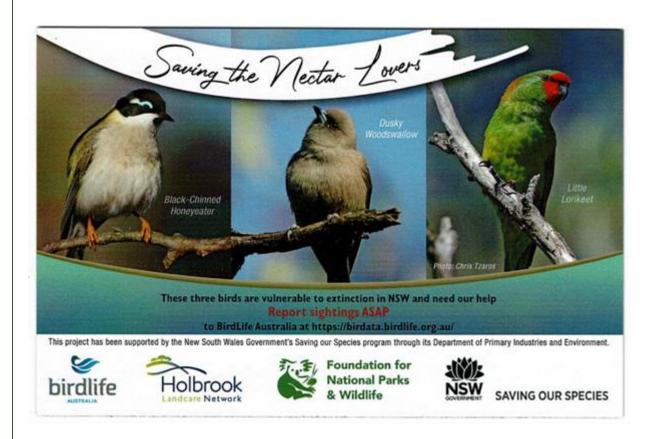
To find out more, or to get involved, contact Ben Humphries at birdsonfarms@birdlife.org.au or visit https://birdlife.org.au/projects/birds-on-farms/.

This project has been supported by the New South Wales Government's Saving our Species program. **#SavingourSpecies #conservation #biodiversity**

Saving our Species - Conservation Co Investment Partnerships | NSW Environment and Heritage



BirdLife Australia's Ben, Darcy and Rhonda at a Community Planting Event.



Funding Opportunities

Nuffield Scholarship Applications Open Applications for 2024 close on Friday 9 June 2023:

Applications are now open for Nuffield Australia's 2024 Scholarship program, which for the first time includes scholarships aimed at drought resilience study topics. The Future Drought Fund (FDF) is investing \$1.6 million dollars through Nuffield over the next two years to help farmers increase their knowledge of drought resilience and better prepare themselves and their communities for a changing climate. Scholars will have the opportunity to travel overseas to study drought resilience and learn from international leaders in the field. Each scholarship is valued at \$35,000 and farmers and others working in food and fibre production aged between 28 and 45 should apply now. Applications close 9 June 2023. Find out more about the Nuffield Scholarships and apply at: CLICK HERE

Critical Producer Grant Up to \$100,000 Closes 30 June 2023:

The objective of the program is to help primary producers and primary production enterprises impacted by the February and March 2022 NSW Severe Weather and Flooding events to rebuild and recover in the medium to longer term with the aim of supporting job security, future resilience and enabling future production. For more information CLICK HERE

Rural Landholders Grants Up to \$25,000 Applications close 30 June 2023:

Grants available for landholders and oyster farmers in declared Local Government Areas (LGAs), who have holdings of at least 10ha of rural land or a Class A aquaculture permit authorising at least 1ha; and receive at least \$20,000 in income from primary production per annum. For more information CLICK HERE

Farming and Agriculture Sector Women's Leadership Scholarship Up to \$5000 per person are available for women in the farming and agriculture sector Closes 9 June:

To encourage more women to increase their impact at work and step into leadership roles across the farming and agriculture sector, Women and Leadership Australia is offering scholarships for four leadership development courses. Partial scholarships of \$1,000-\$5,000 are available to help women in select industries participate in our world-class leadership courses. Courses are available for women at all levels. Delivered part time over 10 weeks, the Impact Program provides game-changing strategies for women who are dynamic, passionate and ambitious but not in formal management positions. For more information CLICK HERE

2023 Riverine Plains Scholarship Program Applications Close 22 June:

Riverine Plains Inc invites tertiary students working towards a degree or diploma in agriculture, agricultural science agribusiness or engineering (or who can demonstrate a passion for agriculture in another discipline), to apply for one of five scholarships being offered by the group in 2023. Each scholarship provides \$5,000 over two years to assist with costs associated with studying. The scholarships also include work experience and mentoring opportunities, as well as access to Riverine Plains' and other industry events. For more information CLICK HERE

Local Land Services



Farm Business Management Basics - an introduction

Farm Business Management is an essential part of any farm business. However, getting your head around some of the key concepts is often confusing, especially if you're new to farming, or in need of a refresher.

Murray Local Land Services is hosting a series of Farm Business Management Basics workshops throughout June across the Murray LLS region.

These one-day workshops will help participants develop a greater and clearer understanding of some basic principles of Farm Business Management, It will also develop skills to help manage the farm business now, as well as planning for the business into the future.

Participants will be provided with a range of takehome tools and have the time to begin to apply them to their own business.

Presenter

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Topics to be covered

- Best practice farm business management
- Planning (incl. intro to succession)
- Budgeting strategic, operational
- Introduction to understanding and interpreting the financial performance of a farm
- Informed decision making
- Risk

Locations and dates

A maximum of 15 participants per workshop has been set to ensure a great learning environment.

- Moulamein, Wednesday, 14 June
- Bunaloo, Thursday 15 June
- Oaklands, Tuesday 27 June
- Holbrook, Wednesday 28 June
- Tumbarumba, Thursday 29 June

(Location details provided upon registration.)

Time

8.30 am - 4.30 pm (lunch included)

Register

Register here or scan the code



Contact

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Paul.Simpson@lls.nsw.gov.au

This program is supported by Murray Local Land Services.









Fantastic article in The Corowa Free Press that featured Corowa District Landcare as part of Volunteers week:



NEWS

Growing a better world: Landcare

By Adrienne Hartnett



Corowa District Landcare volunteers Brendan Christy and Joan Palmer.

The Corowa District Landcare group has been active throughout the Federation Council region since 1996, and their efforts have been made possible by the hard work of volunteers like Brendan Christy and Joan Palmer.

Brendan joined Corowa District Landcare around six years ago because of his interest in the environment and its changing landscape.



COROWA DISTRICT LANDCARE INC. MEMBERSHIP FORM 2023

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