



Wodonga Urban Landcare Network

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Opportunities to be involved

- ⇒ **National Science Week Sustainability Expo - Wednesday 29 August, 12-4pm** Victory Lutheran College is hosting a day to explore Sustainability in the local area, with stallholders, workshops and guest speakers. Come down to find out more about environmental technology and how to 'green' your life. Workshops include 'Bottled Water vs. Tap', 'Macroinvertebrate Survey'. Science Fair includes Environmentally Sustainable Houses, Water-powered machines, Wind-powered machines, Solar-powered machines. Family-friendly, FREE entry. Where: VLC Luther Hall, Drage Road, Wodonga
- ⇒ **A Slide Show with Scales - Wed 5th Sept** Baranduda Land care in association with NE CMA is proud to host a spectacular "Reptiles and Frogs" presentation by herpetologist Dr. Damian Michael. Damian's enthralling slide show with scales features stunning photography highlighting the amazing diversity of reptiles and frogs in the woodland of the NE and Murray catchments. Everyone is welcome. Invite & bring a friend to this not to be missed event. 7.30pm at the Baranduda Community Centre RSVP Glen Johnson by: Mon 3rd Sept at baranduda@landcarevic.net.au
- ⇒ **Reptiles & Frogs – In the Flesh - Sunday 28th October** Dr. Damian Michael, Herpetologist reveals hidden reptile and frog treasures during a ½ day field extravaganza in Baranduda. 10.30am to 2pm. Meet @ Baranduda Community Centre – self drive short distances to field locations. This is your opportunity to get up close and personal to a host of locals - from the dinosaur age! Hosted by Baranduda Landcare & NECMA. RSVP Glen Johnson by: Thurs 25th Oct at baranduda@landcarevic.net.au
- ⇒ **Friends of the WRENS** (Wodonga Retained Environment Network). WULN is working with the City of Wodonga to support a Friends group to help retain these important bush linkages. If you are interested in improving the health of the WRENS, become a Friend of the WRENS and contribute to the maintenance and improvement of Wodonga's bush heritage. Contact [WULN](http://www.wuln.net.au) to register your interest.

Resources

- ⇒ **Murray – Darling Freshwater Research Centre:** Got a microscope? This is a fantastic site for identification of freshwater invertebrates - suitable for all levels of interest from primary school to ecologist: <http://www.mdfrc.org.au/bugguide/>
- ⇒ **North East Waterwatch** has both community and schools programs and provides guidelines, monitoring forms and training in water quality monitoring: <http://www.necma.vic.gov.au/OurPrograms/Waterwatch/Schools.asp>

- ⇒ **The Victorian Association for Environmental Education** has excellent resources for educators including PD opportunities and a whole-of-school facilitation service to green your school from the inside out! See <http://www.vaeed.vic.edu.au/index.php/schools> The vaeed professional development calendar for 2012 is [here](#)
- ⇒ **The School Environment Education Directory** (SEED) site has up to date information on local projects, opportunities, grants and much more. There is currently an inspirational article on the Wodonga Primary School FROG project: <http://www.seed.vic.gov.au/>

Funding Opportunities

- ⇒ **Working with Eucalypts?** The Bjarne K Dahl Trust awards small grants up to \$15,000 for the protection and enhancement of eucalypts as a significant aspect of the natural environment and the provision of information or education about eucalypts. The Trust provides support to the community for the undertaking of eucalyptus education, promotion, cultivation, establishment and conservation. Applications close 13 September 2012. Email: enquiries@dahltrust.org.au Ph: 03 8648 6510 Website: <http://dahltrust.org.au/grants/>
- ⇒ **For Young Women:** The Layne Beachley Aim for the Stars Foundation is committed to empowering and enabling females to take control of their lives, to invest in their future and to fulfil their potential. The ASF offers grants to help young women further their educational and/or professional development in a range of spheres. An Environment Grant of \$2000 is open to females aged 12 and above. Applications close 16 November 2012. Further info at <http://www.aimforthestars.com.au/>
- ⇒ **Norman Wettenhall Foundation Grants:** To support projects that enhance or maintain the vitality and diversity of the Australian natural living environment. The objectives of the Small Environmental Grants Scheme are to support Australian biodiversity projects that are concerned with one or more of the following:
- monitoring and recording data
 - community education
 - community capacity building (training)
 - research and science
- The NWF has funded projects ranging from supporting local communities to maintain or restore habitat; to the production of education kits; and the publication and widespread dissemination of research information essential to species preservation. Expressions of Interest open: 1st August, 1st November, [Website](#)

Do you have some info worth sharing with the Wodonga landcare and sustainability community? Ideas? Resources? Grants? Inspiration? Please forward it to me at WULN for the next Network Bulletin.

Kind regards, Anne