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### Opportunities to be involved



**Want to get involved with a Community Market Garden?** The Gateway Island Community Market Garden has been established through a partnership between Parklands Albury-Wodonga, the Bhutanese community in Albury, the Besen Family Foundation and Eworks. The garden is open to all community members. It is hoped that it will become a hub for cultural exchange as Albury & Wodonga locals come to work alongside the Bhutanese community who have worked so hard to see this vision grow. All are most welcome. Enquiries and further information to Ant Packer [info@parklands-alburywodonga.org.au](mailto:info@parklands-alburywodonga.org.au)



**Sustainability in Spring** - Spring is here! Come and celebrate with our new series of Wodonga Library Thursday lunch-time presentations on sustainability in your garden. Experienced local gardeners will share their top tips on companion planting (8 October), fruit fly (22 October), growing seedlings (5 November), seed saving (19 November) and edible weeds (3 December). For more information and to book tickets (\$15 per session), visit <http://www.wodongalibrary.com.au>.



**Sandy Creek Bridge Seniors Week Walk – Wednesday 7th October:** 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at Sandy Creek Bridge. This event is being brought to you by Friends of The Rail Trail, as part of the Wodonga Senior Celebrations 2014. Participants will walk from Huon Reserve along the shores of Lake Hume to the viewing platform of the iconic Sandy Creek Rail Bridge. Enjoy the magnificent views from this spectacular vantage point before returning to Huon Reserve for afternoon tea. Be prepared for possible wind chill off the lake, wear appropriate footwear and clothing. This event will be a part of Wodonga Senior Celebrations 2015. Huon Reserve to the Bridge Viewing Platform is a distance of 6 km return. RSVP by 4pm Monday 5th October 2015. Contact: Joy Bayes 02 6020 6600, Email: [joybayes@bigpond.com](mailto:joybayes@bigpond.com)



**Bird monitoring workshop – Wednesday 7th October and Thursday 8th October,** 19.00 to 21.00: Are you interesting in learning more about being part of a simple but strategic environmental program to monitor bird populations in North East Victoria? If so, please join us at one of these workshops to find out more. The Swamps, Rivers & Ranges project, supported by the Norman Wettenhall Foundation, have established 50 bird monitoring sites in Wooragee, Burgoigee, Rutherglen, Boorhaman and Winton Wetlands. There are 10 monitoring points at each site. We would like to monitor these transects seasonally, 4 times a year for the next 4 years. Two workshops will be held: 7th Oct, 7pm at Rutherglen Senior Citizens Hall and 8th Oct, 7pm at Beechworth Neighbourhood Centre. RSVP to Stephen Routledge: [rout@netc.net.au](mailto:rout@netc.net.au). Supper provided.



**Climate Forum – Thursday 8th October, 12:00 pm to Friday 9th October, 12:00 pm:** The Corowa Landcare District Group are hosting a two day Climate Forum for 8/9 October. The Climate Forum hopes to raise awareness within the Corowa community and broader region of the science of climate change and to create a foundation from which new initiatives can emerge in the district to deal with these changes. It will provide a program for the whole community over the two days – including a public forum as well as special presentations for a number of groups in our district. For details of the program contact: Dr Andrew Wallace 0428 279 007 [andrew@wallaces.org.au](mailto:andrew@wallaces.org.au) Corowa Landcare 0417 858 533 [corowalandcare@bigpond.com](mailto:corowalandcare@bigpond.com) This event is being organised by: [Corowa District Landcare Group](#)



**2015 Mann Lecture – La Trobe University, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October**, 6.00pm to 7.00pm, at the Main Lecture Theatre, Building 6, Albury Wodonga Campus, University Drive, Wodonga: young river in an old landscape – the surprising story of why the Murray River looks the way that it does. RSVP essential by email to [hoc.aw@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:hoc.aw@latrobe.edu.au) or phone 02 6024 9820.



**Rural Women Uncovered 2015 forum - Thur 8 - Fri 9 October:** Beechworth  
Hear from inspirational women in agriculture at this 2 day forum hosted by the Victorian Farmers Federation. Topics include improving communications in rural Australia, the pitfalls of social media for employers, leadership, the importance of technology uptake and more. Register with the VFF at [https://www.vff.org.au/vff/Events/Event\\_Display.aspx?EventKey=ERWU1015](https://www.vff.org.au/vff/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=ERWU1015)



**Exploring ideas for a regional food hub-Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**, 1.00pm to 4.00pm: at the Council Chambers, Wangaratta Government Centre, Cnr Ford & Ovens St, Wangaratta. Cost free. Join the conversation at this community round table forum and share your ideas! With presentations from: Kirsten Larsen and Serenity Hill from the OPEN FOOD NETWORK, and Graham Cullen from THE FOOD GARDEN, Castlemaine. Plus updates about the Wangaratta Food for All Network food hub feasibility study, Beechworth Food Co-op and Albury Wodonga Regional Foodshare. This event is supported by the North East Catchment Management Authority Regional Landcare Facilitator, Wangaratta Food For All Network, Local Food Network - North East & Riverina and Rural City of Wangaratta. RSVP: Please contact Tanya [coordinator@pangerang.org.au](mailto:coordinator@pangerang.org.au) or [amber.croft@necma.vic.gov.au](mailto:amber.croft@necma.vic.gov.au) or phone Amber: P 0260 437639



**Friends of Willow Park Social Night – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October:** 6.15 pm. Everyone is invited to the Friends of Willow Park Social Night held each month on the Friday before Community Gardening. It is held at the German, Austrian, Australian Club, 5 McFarland Road, Wodonga. A reasonably priced meal is available at the club. Meet some members of Friends of Willow Park. For bookings to attend please contact Pauline Anderson on 02 6056 6275 or email [paulsando12@yahoo.com.au](mailto:paulsando12@yahoo.com.au) a few days before the night.



**North East Grassy Woodland Camp Out – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 3:00 pm - 11/10/2015 12:00 pm:** Location: Jessies Lane, Indigo Valley (Vic Roads map 35D5). Supported by NECMA with funding from the National Landcare Programme. Join us for a woodland campout where we'll enjoy lots of exciting activities including star gazing, an early morning bird walk, and an informative talk and walk on Sunday looking at an endangered wetland community. Stay overnight or come along to one or more of the Sunday activities. Our early morning bird walk will start at 6.30am followed by a pancake breakfast. The wetland information walk will start at 9.30am and finish by 12.00pm. Saturday night dinner and Sunday breakfast will be provided. Places are limited for the overnight camping so get in quick. Cost: FREE. Please bring: For activities only, binoculars, sturdy shoes, water bottle, raincoat/ hat, sunscreen. A list for camping requirements will be provided on registration. RSVP: By Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October to Karen Tymms 0417327514 or [karen@tfn.org.au](mailto:karen@tfn.org.au).



**Albury-Wodonga Field Naturalists' Club – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October:** 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at The Rock Nature Reserve: The Rock is a town in the Riverina Region of Southern New South Wales in the Lockhart Shire and is 32km South West of Wagga Wagga on the Olympic Highway. It has been some time since the club visited The Rock. Departure will be 9am from SS&A Car Park, Wilson Street, Albury. BYO refreshments for the day. Leader is David phone 0260 212022.



**Friends of Willow Park Gardening & Water Watch – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October:** 9.30 –11.30 am. A variety of gardening activities will be happening in Willow Park, including planting, mulching, weeding (and chatting). Or help measure the concentration of chemicals in House Creek. Meet near the BBQ in Willow Park. BYO water, sunscreen and hat. Friends of Willow Park will supply all other equipment. Morning tea at 11.30am.



**NE Regional Sustainability Alliance (NERSA) Bi-monthly meeting – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October:** 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Indigo Shire Offices, Beechworth. The North East Regional Sustainability Alliance (NERSA) is a network of community sustainability groups which acts collaboratively with communities, agencies and organisations across the region. Meetings are held every two months in Beechworth. Anyone is welcome to attend. Please note the meeting will be held at the Indigo Shire Mayday Hills offices, at Beechworth. This event is being organised by: North East Regional Sustainability Alliance (NERSA)



**Festival of THE Rural Woman - 12th to 15th October:** Run just like a face-to-face festival BUT completely online with speakers including Jane Cay of rurally based online retail giant Birdsnest, author and Station Manager Keelan Mailman, Sarah McCaig of the Bale Out Ball and Author and healing activist Margaret Bridgeford who will be sharing their voices as keystones to a stunningly diverse line up of rural women speakers, artists, entrepreneurs, healers, activists, farmers, community advocates, social change makers, creatives, practitioners, innovators and producers! Even if you have crappy internet (which we know many of you have) you can join in the Festival fun - on the phone. For the cost of a local call you can connect with these inspiring rural voices and feel like they are in the room with you. 34 Presenters: Global Audience: All Rural Women: Culminating on International Rural Women's Day "Think Inspiration, Connection, Learning & Empowerment meets Music, Movement, Colour & Laughter - without leaving home!" Check it out at [www.festivaloftheruralwoman.com](http://www.festivaloftheruralwoman.com)



**Ride2Work 2015 – Wednesday 14th October:** 7am to 9am, The Cube Wodonga Courtyard Wodonga Council is hosting a community breakfast as part of this year's Ride to Work Day activities. Includes Free breakfast, Coffee vouchers, Bike cloakroom, Minor bike servicing and Physiotherapy advice. Register at [ride2work.com.au](http://ride2work.com.au) For more information, please call Recreation Officer Liona Edwards on (02) 6022 9300.



**BirdLife Ovens and Murray – Outing to Carboor area, South of Whitfield: Saturday 17th October, 12:00 pm :** Outing to a private property near Carboor, S of Whitfield. This is a joint outing with BirdLife Murray Goulburn. For further details contact Val Kingerlee at [ovensmurray.birdlife@hotmail.com](mailto:ovensmurray.birdlife@hotmail.com)



**Yackandandah Community Food Swap – Saturday 17th October: 9.30 to 11.30am,** at the community garden on Railway Avenue. The food swap is held on the third Saturday of the month. Items for swap include all fruit and veg, nuts, plants, eggs and egg cartons, clean empty jam jars, seeds and seedlings, home made preserves and jam. Swap items have included alpaca wool, pine needles, ducks and even a rooster or two. All money collected is used to develop our community garden, buy seeds and equipment etc. Each month we also host a workshop from 10am-ish covering a range of topics of interest to gardeners. Check out <http://yackandandahcg.blogspot.com.au/> for more info about the community garden.



**Wildflowers & Orchid Wander – Wooragee Landcare Group: Sunday 18th October, 13.30 to 16.30,** at 311 Edmonson Lane, Wooragee, Victoria. A relaxed afternoon to have a look at a wonderful Wooragee property with a great range of wildflowers and orchids. Contact Name Karen Bowley, contact phone 03 57287397. Free event. RSVP by 14th October 2015.



**Tallangatta Tall Trestle Treadle – Sunday 18th October, 8:00 am at Tallangatta:** Tallangatta Rail Trail Advisory Group Incorporated will take you on a marvellous day of easy riding, exploring the upper reaches of the High Country Rail Trail. A unique fully supported ride with bus transfers between each ride, morning and afternoon tea included and we'll break at the quaint Koetong Pub for lunch – all included for \$80. Ride highlights include Corryong to Colac Colac: 6 kms of cruisy flat riding, Shelley station site to Koetong Pub: 8 kms easy downhill riding through magnificent forest, Koetong station site to Darbyshire: slightly more adventurous. 8 kms of gentle downhill with superb views, and Old Tallangatta to Tallangatta: an easy 9 kms along the sealed section of the rail trail. Bookings essential - Rob Caddell: 0417 294 234, or Kerry Love: 02 6071 2334, or Email: [tallangattattt@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tallangattattt@yahoo.com.au). This event is being organised by: Parklands Albury Wodonga Ltd



**Hume Murray Community Gardening Collective Visit – Wednesday 21st October:** 11:00 am to 1:00pm, BYO lunch, at Birallee Park Neighbourhood House, 39 Emerald Avenue, Wodonga (Emmanuel Anglican and Uniting Church): Healthy Together Wodonga is working to strengthen community gardens in our region by supporting a network where people who are interested in community gardens can get together. The HMC GC will meet monthly for the remainder of 2015, each time at a different community garden. The group network and share their ideas and knowledge - all with a view to supporting a vibrant community garden culture in our region. We welcome new members to our group - please contact Brydie Foran at Gateway Health if you would like to know more or would like to be added to our mailing list. Email: [Brydie.foran@gatewayhealth.org.au](mailto:Brydie.foran@gatewayhealth.org.au), Phone: (02) 6055 3056.



**Get involved with the Aussie Backyard Bird Count - 19th to 25th October 2015:** Celebrate National Bird Week 2015 by taking part in the biggest citizen science project to hit Aussie shores! To get involved all you need is twenty minutes, your green patch of choice and some keen eyesight, or binoculars. It doesn't matter if you're a novice or an expert as someone will be there to help you along the way. Simply record the birds you know and look up those you don't on our Aussie Bird Count app (updated version available for download in September) or our website. <http://aussiebirdcount.org.au/>



**Albury-Wodonga Field Naturalists' Club – Saturday 24th October, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm,**

at Mt Benambra: On Saturday 24th October we will be exploring Mt Benambra which is a mountain within the Alpine National Park. The nearest towns are Tawonga, Mount Beauty and Corryong. The club has not visited Mt Benambra before so it should be extremely interesting. Departing at 9am from Acacia Car Park, Wodonga. BYO refreshments for the day. Leader is Neil contact number 0428 235 964. This event is being organised by: Albury-Wodonga Field Naturalists' Club Inc.



**Indi Summit – Saturday 24th October.** The Summit will bring together people from all sectors of the Indi community. This will be a unique opportunity to help design the future of Indi. More than 1600 people have already given input to two Budget Impact Tours, the Kitchen Conversations and Get in Cathy's Ear postcard. The Indi Summit is the next step to take action on these issues. The major outcome of The Summit will be a published report, the Indi Community Strategy. The report will outline the actions which are needed by the Federal, State and Local governments, business and community groups, to deliver for the short-, medium- and long-term future of Indi. Here's a [link to the Indi Summit flyer](#). The Summit will be facilitated by well known business woman Susan Benedkya and focus on:

- Economic Prosperity
- Quality Access to Essential Community Services
- Sustainable Environments
- Confident and Vibrant Communities

The event is free and open to all. Everyone needs to register [www.cathymcgowan.com.au/indisummit](http://www.cathymcgowan.com.au/indisummit).



**Discover, Do and Dine - Sausages, Smoking and Lunch – Sunday 25th October:**

Venue: [Bonegilla Migrant Experience](#) Learn from the masters; get the meat smoking for lunch and get your hands into making and tying sausages. Sit down to a rustic lunch with the masters to continue the conversation and sample your creations. Take home the knowledge, the recipes and of course the sausages. **Bookings:** The Cube Wodonga box office in person, on (02) 6022 9311 or [thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets](http://thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets)



**This Changes Everything – Movie Screening Mon 2nd November:**

Here is another movie organised by Diana Nicholson who was responsible for the Frackman screenings. Check the link below to find out more about the movie which is about confronting the climate crisis. The screening will be at 'Regent Cinemas' in Albury on Monday the 2nd of November at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased by following the link: [www.tugg.com/events/58490](http://www.tugg.com/events/58490)  
Please share with people who you think would be interested in coming along.

## Learning Opportunities



**Companion planting - Thursday 8th October:** 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm at Wodonga Library:

Who are the friends and foes in your vegie patch? Karen Retra, Permaculture teacher and sustainability consultant will help you maximise your harvest by explaining what grows best where. This is the first in our series of five Sustainability in Spring presentations being held at Wodonga Library at lunch-times on Thursdays. It follows on from the highly popular first series. Book your tickets early to avoid disappointment. **Cost:** \$15, **enquiries:** Wodonga Library (02) 60 22 9330 or email [library@wodonga.vic.gov.au](mailto:library@wodonga.vic.gov.au). **Bookings:** The Cube (02) 6022 9311 or visit [thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets](http://thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets)



**Introduction to bees and beekeeping – Sunday 11th October,** 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at

Wooragee Hall, 101 Beechworth -Wodonga Rd, Wooragee. An introduction to bees and beekeeping covering the biology and origins of honey bees and their long association with humans and agriculture. Examples of hive parts and tools will be available. Discussion on floral resources and information

mation on what you need and what you need to know to start out with bees. RSVP By 8th October 2015 to Alandi Durling- [alandi.durling@landcarevic.net.au](mailto:alandi.durling@landcarevic.net.au) 0428 211 008.



**Seed Harvest and Propagation: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**, at Tree of Life Community Garden, Queen St, Corowa NSW 2646. Seed saving – it totally satisfies our hoarder-gatherer instincts, but more pertinently for our times, it is one of the major keys to a food-secure and sustainable future. Join us for a three hour interactive workshop focusing on the addictive ins and outs of seed selection, harvesting, cleaning, storing, propagating and much, much more... Gold Coin Donation appreciated. This event is being organised by: [Corowa District Landcare Group](#)



**Irrigation in the garden - Saturday 17th October, 10:00 am to 11:00 am**, at Yack Community Garden, William Street, Yackandandah. Next to the Swimming Pool and opposite the historic Court House. Irrigation in the garden – come and learn the whys and wherefores of getting your garden set up with adequate irrigation – a must in these days of ever-increasing heat during the year. This event is being organised by: Yackandandah Community Centre.



**Online Tools for Landcare Groups Workshop – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October:** 3-5 pm, Wangaratta Library. This workshop will cover the basics of 2 very useful & simple online tools: **Mail-Chimp** - This is the most popular free program used by both businesses and organisations to send professional email newsletters. Super easy to use!

**Google Forms** - Easily create an online membership form for your group, which records all data in a cloud-based spreadsheet. Also useful for creating online registration forms for events.

Please RSVP to Amber Croft, Regional Landcare Facilitator - [amber.croft@necma.vic.gov.au](mailto:amber.croft@necma.vic.gov.au)



**Fruit fly – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October:** 12.30 to 1.00 pm at Wodonga Library. Learn the fruit fly life cycle and how to prevent it from destroying your precious crops. Speaker: Lou Newman – Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Gardener. This is the second in our series of five Sustainability in Spring presentations being held at Wodonga Library at lunch-times on Thursdays. It follows on from the highly popular first series. Book your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Cost: \$15. Enquiries: Wodonga Library (02) 60 22 9330 or email [library@wodonga.vic.gov.au](mailto:library@wodonga.vic.gov.au). Bookings: The Cube (02) 6022 9311 or visit [thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets](http://thecubewodonga.com.au/tickets).



**Preserve workshop – Saturday 24th October**, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at 278 McGuinness Lane, Wooragee. Mary will demonstrate the preparation of some of her delicious preserves – Beetroot chutney, Zucchini Pickles and Berry jam. Bookings essential – Numbers limited to 20 participants. Recipes and notes available for each participant. Ph : 0401132 074. Cost: \$10.00 for Wooragee LC members, \$20.00 for non members. Tea/Coffee provided. R.S.V.P by 16th October to Mary 0401 132 074. This event is being organised by: Wooragee Landcare Inc.



**Wise Waterways Conference – 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October:** This conference will provide a forum for a comprehensive overview of Stream Rehabilitation and Management Principles and Practices. This workshop has been running for 16 years and has evolved over time, reflecting issues faced by water managers of today. The course is aimed at people working in, or who are interested in stream management, particularly those involved in practical natural resource works programs. For more information: [Final WiseWaterWays 2015 Booklet LoRes](#)



**Agvet Chemical Users Course at Mt Beauty – Subsidised places on offer: – Save \$300! Saturday 7th & Saturday 14th November, 9.00am to 5.00pm.** This Nationally Accredited two-day course is a must for Land managers and Landcare volunteers who use chemicals. Learn how to minimise risks associated with chemical use and ensure chemicals are used as per manufacturer's specifications. Mt Beauty Neighbourhood Centre – 1 Tennis Court Ave. Mt Beauty. You will need to bring your lunch on both days. Full cost: \$350.00. Cost to Landcare members \$50.00. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – LIMITED PLACES. To book your place, contact Belinda – [belinda.pearce@landcarevic.net.au](mailto:belinda.pearce@landcarevic.net.au) 0407 227 814



**Managing spontaneous emergency volunteers - Tuesday 10th November:** Be part of an elite volunteer workforce. Volunteering Victoria are developing a program to train, support, deploy and debrief a volunteer workforce of skilled volunteer managers to manage spontaneous

emergency volunteers during disaster relief and recovery. By participating in the MSEV Program, participants build their understanding of:

- the Emergency Management structure and arrangements in Victoria
- what it is like to manage and support spontaneous volunteers in an emergency context
- the disruptive impact of an emergency
- the changed emotional state of people in affected communities

the political and media environment and its impact on relief and recovery efforts. Read the full [program overview](#) here.

A session will be held in Wodonga on November 10, 2015 from 9am - 4pm. Register at <https://www.ivvy.com/event/1PW3YZ/> For queries call Alison Duff, Manager Spontaneous Emergency Volunteers (MSEV) Project Coordinator, 03 5221 1377, or email [a.duff@volunteeringvictoria.org.au](mailto:a.duff@volunteeringvictoria.org.au).

## Resources & Inspiration



**Native Plant clearance at Our Native Garden: River Red Gums** in Rocket Pots we have 60 1.5L pots - more info on these pots that are better than deep root grown trees for soil erosion control on river banks and creeks is attached. **Moir Grass** *Pseudoraphis spinescens* in tubes we have 1000. This is what used to grow under River red Gums before the ground was disturbed and degraded and let in weeds like Kikuyu Grass. More info in attached doc with pictures.

Can you please help us out? We need to get them out of our nursery so we can grow other and more different species. We are only a very small nursery. As to price, please, be kind, be generous, make us an offer? Would you like to talk about it? Please call Our Native Garden 0419 732 390 [ournativegarden.com.au](http://ournativegarden.com.au) **Our Native Garden** is a community owned, not-for-profit, Registered Charity; volunteer run, indigenous plant nursery dedicated to developing balanced ecosystems which help create and maintain a healthy environment for plants, creatures and people.



**Biodiversity Spring – Goulburn-Broken Catchment & NE Victoria:** Biodiversity Spring 2015 is a celebration of all the things that make up our natural environment – the flora and fauna to the fungi and the habitats they live in. Biodiversity Spring is celebrated each year throughout the Goulburn–Broken Catchment and north-east Victoria. **For the ninety-one days of Spring, from September through to November, a range of organisations and community groups will showcase the biodiversity in our areas and show you just how amazing, interesting and unusual nature can be.** The program this year is packed with spotlight walks, bird watching, ecology courses, basket weaving and many other activities. The events are **FREE** (unless noted) and everyone is invited to come along and participate. So Spring into Spring. You know you want to. **Complete event calendar and more information:** <https://biodiversityspring.wordpress.com/>



**2015 Victorian Landcare Awards winners announced** - the 2015 Victorian Landcare Awards ceremony was held this morning at Government House, Melbourne. For details on all the winners go to <http://www.landcarevic.net.au/2015-victorian-landcare-awards-winners-announced>



**Issue 64 of the Victorian Landcare and Catchment Management magazine, which is a feature on urban Landcare, is out now!** To read or download this issue of the magazine visit <http://www.landcarevic.net.au/resources/magazine/vlcm/current-issue>



**Kakadu Challenge 2016 - Help protect threatened species while trekking the Top End:** Australia's biodiversity is currently declining—more than 1,700 species and ecological communities are known to be threatened and are at risk of extinction. That's where the Landcare Australia Kakadu Challenge 2016 comes in. By taking part in this eight day challenge in July 2016, you can raise funds for projects which will help save endangered and threatened Aussie species. We like to think of it as Aussies supporting Aussie species! To find out more about the highlights that you will enjoy while trekking the Top End, the difference you can make through taking part in this challenge, and how much fun you can have doing it, [click here](#).



**Wodonga's Walking Maps:** Healthy Together Wodonga with Wodonga Council are working with [Victoria Walks](#) - Victoria's walking health promotion charity to promote walking in general in Wodonga. As part of this work, we are focussing on [Walking Maps](#) - a mobile website Victoria Walks

operate that allows community to create, discover and share walks where they live, work or play. The mobile website encourages community to explore the neighbourhoods that we live in, promote tourist destinations, explore historical treasures, provide activities for families and friends to enjoy together and provide a workplace tool for walking. Anyone can add their favourite walk with features. Check it out!



**Albury-Wodonga Repair Café:** Are you good at fixing things like woodwork, bikes, clothing or electrical appliances and would you enjoy showing others how to do so? If you answered 'yes' to both these questions, we'd love your help at our Albury-Wodonga Repair Café. This is an opportunity for members of the community to learn about the art of repair from professional tradespeople, experts and 'hobbyists' in a collaborative setting. It's about repairing and restoring items, rejecting throw-away society and fostering a culture of creativity, innovation, repair and re-use. It's fun, social and satisfying. There are almost 100 Repair Cafés in The Netherlands but only two in Australia. For more information about Repair Cafés visit: <http://repaircafe.org>. We are planning four trial sessions in Albury-Wodonga between November 2015 and May 2016. For more information, please get in touch with Lizette Salmon – [lizette@salmonfamily.id.au](mailto:lizette@salmonfamily.id.au) or (02) 60 59 4185.



**Interacting with Our Environment – Photographic Exhibition Opening: Friday 23rd October, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm:** Arts Space, Corowa Civic Centre, Edward St, Corowa. Corowa District Landcare invite you to celebrate the launch of our Annual Photographic Exhibition. Entry \$5 per adult, Includes light refreshments. RSVP: for catering purposes to Joanne Diver, by Wednesday, 21st of October. Ph 02 6033 8933, Email: [corowalandcare2@bigpond.com](mailto:corowalandcare2@bigpond.com)



**Re-use shop** - located at the Wodonga waste Transfer Station 29 Kane Rd Wodonga: OPEN Mon to Sat 10am to 3pm Sundays 10am to 2pm. A selection of plants from Our Native Garden are now on sale at \$3.50 per plant.



**News of the Regent Honeyeater Project:** If you would like to keep up to date with the latest news of this inspirational project in our back yard please contact [Glen.Johnson@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:Glen.Johnson@delwp.vic.gov.au) to subscribe to the newsletter.



**Our Native Garden Nursery:** A selection of native plants are now on sale. Nursery located next door to the Wodonga waste Transfer Station 29 Kane Rd Wodonga. Plants are also available at the Re-use shop - Mon to Sat 10am to 3pm Sundays 10am to 2pm.

## Funding Opportunities



**Albury City's Community and Cultural Grants:** If you have a great project idea bumping around your head that you want to happen in Albury and you just need a little bit of money to make it a reality then make sure you check out Albury City's Community and Cultural Grants. Funding is offered in three categories: Community, Cultural and Public Art/Placemaking. The application process closes midday Tuesday 6 October. For more information and to start the online application process go to [www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/grants](http://www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/grants) or contact Cultural Development Coordinator Narelle Vogel on 02 6023 8753 or [narellevogel@alburycity.nsw.gov.au](mailto:narellevogel@alburycity.nsw.gov.au)



**Rabbit Action Network Small Grants Program** - The Victorian Rabbit Action Network is pleased to launch the Small Grants Program to support community-led innovation in rabbit management. A total of \$60,000 will be provided for projects between \$1,000 – \$10,000 to support community groups in rabbit management to work together to build capacity and facilitate knowledge sharing networks.

Recent feedback from workshops convened at the Victorian Rabbit Management Conference have been used to further refine potential project ideas in the funding guidelines.

For a copy of the funding guidelines, please [click here](#).

For a copy of the application form, please [click here](#).



**Primezone Partner Schools:** Applications are now open for schools to become one of 12 Primezone Partner Schools. Funded through PIEFA as part of the Department of Education's 'Agriculture in Education' program, successful schools will receive \$10,000 to support the Food and Fibre education programs. See the PIEFA website [here](#)



**Fulbright Scholarship Opportunity:** Applications are now open for the annual Fulbright Professional Scholarship in Non-Profit Leadership. Consider applying for this opportunity to spend three to four months in the United States working on a project of your choice. The scholarship, valued at \$40,000, provides an opportunity for personal and professional development and broader impact through research or experiential learning at an approved US institution or charitable organisation. [Apply here](#)



**Food Source Victoria - Planning Grants, Growth Grants & Scholarship Program -** Food Source Victoria is the Dept of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport & Resources' new \$20 million initiative aimed at supporting Victorian agri-food businesses. For more information, go to [Apply now for a Food Source Victoria Grant](#)

## Opportunities to have your say



**RIRDC Rural Women's Award** - Applications close Fri 30 October. Nominations are now open for the Rural Industries Research and Development (RIRDC) Rural Women's Award. The Award identifies and supports emerging women leaders who have the desire, commitment and leadership potential to make a greater contribution to primary industries and rural communities. A \$10,000 bursary is the major prize for each state and territory winner



**2016 Science and Innovation Awards** - Grant applications are now open for the 2016 Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. If you're **18-35** years, this is your chance to apply for a grant of up to **\$22,000** to fund your project on an innovative or emerging scientific issue that will benefit Australia's primary industries. Interested? Here are the next steps  
read the [information for applicants](#) to check your eligibility, and the [FAQs](#) to understand what each Science Award partner is seeking by reading their [profiles](#) and visiting their website. Discover what projects were successful in the [2015 round](#) of the Science Awards. Start your application today using the [application form](#)! **Applications close 5pm AEDT Friday 9 October 2015.** Need advice? Contact the Science Awards team at email [Science Awards](mailto:Science Awards) or phone 02 6272 2260 / 6272 2303.



**Interacting with our Environment, Photographic Competition Closes Friday 16th October:** We want you to take your phone, camera, compact digital point-and-shoot or digital SLR into the garden, out to the farm or block, along the river, onto Lake Mulwala or into the fabulous Redlands Hill Reserve and capture a fabulous picture for our Photographic Competition and Exhibition. Open Theme – Interacting with our Environment; Open Category: In the Bush; In the Garden; On the Water; On the Farm; Local Native Birds. Prizes will be awarded for each category. Entry Fee: \$5 per person. Student Theme – Local Native Birds and their Habitat; *Student Category: Local Native Birds and their Habitat*. Sections: Primary and Secondary. Plus up to 100 words: "Tell us about your photo". Prizes will be awarded for each section. Entry Fee: Free. Photographs may be submitted via email for an additional fee: Contact Joanne 6033 8933. All entries will form part of an Exhibition at the Art Space, Corowa Civic Centre, Corowa. Entries Close: Friday, 16th October, 2015 – Limit 3 entries (Size 12x8 inches – unframed).



**Mountain Range to Wetlands Photographic Competition – Closing date 21st October, 5.00 pm.** Wooragee Landcare would like to invite adults, primary and secondary students to participate in a photographic competition covering the Wooragee area including Woolshed Valley. For entry forms and further information email Maureen Cooper at [brigadoon.99@bigpond.com](mailto:brigadoon.99@bigpond.com). This event is being organised by: [Wooragee Landcare Inc.](#)

