

EUROBODALLA LANDCARE NEWSLETTER

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EUROBODALLA LANDCARE EXECUTIVE MEETINGS FOR 2008

The next meeting of the ELMC Executive is scheduled for 12 for 12.30, Thursday, 14th February 2008. It will be held in the Glass Room at Council, Moruya.

Please contact Peter Gow to RSVP

CHRISTMAS TOUR OF LANDCARE PROJECT SITES

Fourty two Eurobodalla Landcarers attended the annual Landcare Sites tour on the 9th of December. The bus tour visited Coastal project sites at North Broulee, Rosedale, Burrawang, Surfbeach Creek, and Lilli Pilli.

Recently Coastcare acknowledged the work of a number of Eurobodalla Landcarers as Coastcare 'Local Heroes' by presenting them with a medal. Medal winners on the Landcare tour were Godfrey Marple, Robyn Westcott, Judy Thomson, Paul May, Jenny Dixon, and Christina Potts.

It is useful for group members too get together to share their ideas, their difficulties, and their successes on tours such as this.



Community participants on the Eurobodalla Landcare Sites Tour were representing their groups from Mystery Bay, Tuross, Broulee / Mossy Point, Guerilla Bay, Burrawang, Surfbeach, South Durras, Lilli Pilli / Malua Bay, and Longbeach

IDENTIFICATION OF NATIVE GRASSES WORKSHOP / FIELD TRIP

Saturday 9th February 2008

Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (SRCMA) has provided funding to present this workshop. The field trip will be visiting sites at Broulee and Bingie

where native grasses will be identified. Jackie Miles, who recently conducted the Wetlands Plants workshop, is the main presenter. Hayden Kingston from Department of Primary Industries (DPI) Agriculture will also be assisting on the day. Contact Peter Gow for more information and to book on 4474 1329

ART AND ENVIRONMENT ON THE PATH AT BROULEE

Broulee/Mossy Point Dunecare has been doing something a bit different with its “Art on the Path” event. It’s an art/environment market along the new bike path at Broulee where the art stalls attract the community and a variety of environmental stalls, including a Landcare one, dispense environmental messages.



Courtney Fink discussing weed control with community members at “Art and Environment on the Path “at Broulee

MACHINERY USE ON COUNCIL MANAGED LANDS

It is a requirement of ESC that any operators of earthmoving equipment, used on council managed lands, be sourced from council’s list of pre – approved contractors. Contractors on the list have been checked for their insurance coverage; they comply with OH&S requirements; and their equipment has been checked for RTA/ESC compliance. Peter Gow can check with the council depot if any proposed contractors are on the list when you are planning your next project. Every time groups require the plant item, the group will need to check all is still ok. That is, even if they have used a plant item already on the job, if it has been a week between its use, they will be required to check again because of insurance lapses. All machinery is to be booked through the Moruya Council Depot via Environment Unit staff.

NSW DEPT PRIMARY INDUSTRIES WEBSITE

Click on <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/resources>

[Soil health and fertility](#)

Examines all aspects of soil health, soil nutrition and general soil management.

[Private forestry](#)

Information on private forestry which refers to the practice of growing of trees on private land and includes "agroforestry" and "farm forestry".

[Water & irrigation](#)

Information about Irrigation, water quality, testing, dams and water storage, drought strategies for water supply and watering livestock.

[Salinity](#)

Salinity is a threat to the health of rural land and the environment. Irrigation and dryland salinity are among the most important natural resource issues facing agriculture in Australia.

[Native vegetation](#)

A growing awareness of the potential environmental impacts and economic costs of continued broadscale clearing has led the community and government to seek better management of our native vegetation assets.

[Biodiversity](#)

Biodiversity is the variety of life forms, the genes they contain, the ecosystems they form, and the interactions between life forms and the environment.

[Land](#)

Information on land management, including catchment management and contaminated sites.

[Climate and weather](#)

Information on NSW climate, weather and forecasting.

CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS AUSTRALIA (CVA)

CVA teams will be assisting on wetland care projects during 2008.

Main sites will include Newstead Pond, Ryans Ck, Coila Lake , Flying Fox Bay, Y – Swamp. Other sites will be targeted on the Tuross and Moruya Rivers and works will include Old Man Bed Swamp catchment

GRANTS WEBSITES

WWW.COMMUNITYBUILDERS.NSW.GOV.AU

[HTTP://WWW.GRANTSLINK.GOV.AU](http://WWW.GRANTSLINK.GOV.AU)

EUROBODALLA GREEN CORPS 2007



Congratulations to the Green Corps team graduates – Krystina Lamb, Matt Coleman, Josh Pitts, Toni McNoe, Matt Burke pictured along with Team Leader – Heidi Thomson, State Green Corps Manager – Sarah Carter, and Courtney Fink – ESC Project Officer.

TAFE CERTIFICATE 3 NATURAL AREA RESTORATION AND MANAGEMENT COURSE

TAFE have just received approval to deliver the course flexible delivery mode - so over the two year period with weekend tutorials as we have done at Moruya last year, however, this year it will be delivered out of Ulladulla in an attempt to cater for students from northern Eurobodalla and southern Shoalhaven regions where quite a bit of interest has been registered.

Flexible delivery is a great way to go for anyone working or with limited time to attend campus - it's only one weekend per month during semester time over two years. Anyone with Cert 2 CLM would be eligible for some RPL too. It is ideal for:

- Those who want to work in the bushland regeneration industry.
- Members of Landcare groups
- Any one who wants to learn more about managing bushland
- Community environmental education

- **For further information on Environmental courses, contact,**
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