



YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NEWS

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- Victorian Coastal Council Award
- Introducing a new sub-group
- IPA Control Guide



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EVENTS UPDATE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

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The Victorian Coastal Award won by YYLN for Saltmarsh Protection

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BINGINWARRI BIODIVERSITY DAY

When: 10am – Sunday 12th October

Where: Wandering in the bush of Bingi

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398

BIRDWATCHING DAY

When: Sunday 19th October

Where: McLoughlin & Manns Beach

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398

ROADSIDE WEED REMOVAL WORKING BEE

When: 9.30am - Sunday 26th October

Where: Binginwarri roads – BYO spade, small poison dabbers, gloves, chaff bags, etc

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398 for catering purposes

LOCAL HISTORICAL LANDMARK BUS TOUR WITH JOHN O'CALLAGHAN

When: 2 ~ 4pm - Sunday 2nd November

Where: Local area

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398 for catering purposes

BINGINWARRI BIODIVERSITY DAY

When: 10am – Sunday 16th November

Where: Wandering in the bush of Bingi

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398

MYSTERY DAY

When: Saturday 22nd OR Sunday 23rd Nov

Where: Details TBA

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398

CAR RALLY-COME-TREASURE HUNT BEFORE ANNUAL BREAK UP BBQ

When: 9.30am promptly Sunday 7th Dec

Where: Binginwarri Hall

RSVP: Kaye – 51851398

Mirradong participates in Landcare

- see article on page 7

Here is a sample of some of the Landcare activities undertaken by Mirradong clients.

Right: Assisting with the planting of trees.

Bottom left: Assisting with the folding of JARR brochures.

Bottom right: Some of the many beautiful table decorations made by the talented folk at Mirradong for our AGM dinner.

Thank you Mirradong workers and participants for your support and help whenever needed. ■





FROM THE OFFICE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Sally-Ann Henderson



Sally-Ann Says:

Hi Everyone,

I write this high on the delights of success. We have a lot to be pleased about at the moment.

On September 12 it was wonderful to see Samantha Monks accept an award from the Victorian Coastal Council for the saltmarsh protection YYLN has delivered in conjunction with landholders and partner organisations. As you can see from the front cover we now have a beautiful blue glass trophy to decorate the office. (more later in the

newsletter- See page 13)

We are also pleased to announce that the **Norman Wettenhall Foundation (NWF) was given an honourable mention in the Partnerships category of the National Landcare Awards at the Landcare Conference in Melbourne**. Although not the winner, we were delighted to have our nomination go all the way to National success and it is strong recognition for the value of the relationship between NWF and Landcare and in particular NWF and YYLN.

But there are many other kinds of success that we can celebrate.

- We had a terrific AGM and can feel greatly pleased with the new Board and the work of the retiring Board members.
- The Corner Inlet Blackberry Action Group joining the network as a new group.
- We can also celebrate technological success with the completion of the on-line guide to revegetation (see

page 10). Thanks to Bronwyn, Helga and John McClumpha for your combined skills and expertise. You can access the guide at www.yylnreveg.org

- We have received 3 new small funding opportunities from the State Government in the last month with most groups benefitting from the 2 million trees program which has allowed us to plant an extra 4,460 trees from Merriman Creek to Wonyip. A Communities for Nature grant to fence off additional saltmarsh and another to plant around farm dams to increase habitat for wildlife were also successful.

Perhaps most heartening for me is to see the way groups have embraced the need to get project applications driven from the individual groups, not just the Network level. It was delightful and encouraging for me to have six project ideas submitted to Communities for Nature a few weeks ago and another 3 submitted to

Local Landscape Enhancement Grants.

Much of the work to get these grants submitted was undertaken by the groups themselves from meeting with government agencies and landholders to sourcing costings and even having a go at filling in the paperwork. These projects are unlikely to all get funding but it gives us project ideas to work on for future opportunities and it means Landcare is striving to achieve local objectives. Thankyou for all your hard work.

Landcare is a partnership of passionate people and it is certainly evident at the moment that it is a partnership that is working.

Thank-you everyone. ■

Sally-Ann Henderson



AT THE VICTORIAN COASTAL AWARDS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: DAN GARLICK WGCMA, BRUCE ATKIN COASTCARE, SAMANTHA MONKS YYLN, RYAN SMITH – MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE, SALLY-ANN HENDERSON YYLN AND NICK DUDLEY DEPI



YYLN AGM 2014

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Sally-Ann Henderson

Did you know that if you put a sea sponge into a blender, whizz it up, then put it into a container of sea water, it will reform as a sponge?

It was one of the many interesting insights shared by Jonathon Stevenson at the Yarram Yarram Landcare Network Annual General Meeting. Jono is a Marine Ranger for Parks Victoria. He took us for a virtual tour of the ecosystems from coast to the deep oceans, and his passion for his subject was evident.

Fifty people gathered in Yarram to celebrate the Networks achievements and to conduct the AGM. In response to feedback from last years event, the reports were sent by email prior to the meeting so people had a chance to read them prior. This meant it was a simple process to vote on the reports and move onto the elections with the new board duly elected. (See page 19 for details on the new board). A 10 minute AGM. Thanks to **Dan Garlick** from the CMA for conducting the elections.

David McAninly shared his reflections of the retiring board members and offered his and the Networks grateful thanks to each.

David and Susan Hill have relocated to Cranbourne. David was present at most events that the Network held. His short but enthusiastic time on the board was much appreciated and he was also our "EYE" from above in his aeroplane checking out the projects and assisting in aerial photos!



Trevor Colvin, a former "individual Landcare Award" winner has chosen to step down owing to other commitments. Thank you Mr M.C. for your huge impact to all aspects of

the Network, especially ideas on financial support and strategic planning, and well done on your input in establishing the Yarram Urban Landcare group.

Brian Nicholls is stepping

down after an amazing 14 years involvement, Brian our recent Treasurer, was Chair of the Seedbank Committee for 6 years and also serviced and managed the Direct Seeder. Brian and Jenny always made their impressive sheep property available for field days or planting demonstrations.

Then it was on to the launch of the on-line revegetation guide, **What to Plant at Your Place**. It was developed by Bronwyn Johnson and Helga Binder with essential technical input from new board member John McClumpha who got it up and running on the internet. We would welcome your feedback so please let us know if you find anything that needs correction. It can be found at [www.yylnreveg.org](http://yylnreveg.org) See page 10 for more detail.

The final highlight was the presentation from Jono and it was filled with fascinating facts and beautiful images. Jono highlighted the fact that the coast of Southern Australia is unique in the world. With a very high % of species found nowhere else. He also proudly shared with us that the beach ecosystem on 90 Mile Beach is one of the most species rich on the planet with over 400 different species per m² living in the sand.

The Annual Report is now available for those of you who were not able to attend the AGM. It is an enjoyable summary of the achievements of the year and I recommend it to you all. It can be downloaded from the web www.yyln.org.au or request a hard copy from the office.

Thanks to everyone who helped create such a great night. ■



LOCAL LANDCARE PROFILES

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Peter Hill

The Hill Family - Yarram Yarram Urban Landcare

Yarram residents for the past 32 years Anne and Peter Hill have had a long interest in the conservation of both the built and natural environment.

They came to Yarram after eight years in Central Victoria, living on what could charitably be called hobby farms in Maldon and Newstead in the mid to late 1970s, but were realistically more like the prickle farm of ABC radio farm. Raising chooks, ducks and milking Sannen goats, hand cultivating extensive vegetable gardens took up much of the daylight, and twilight hours of every day.

The move to Yarram, resulting from Peter's posting to Yarram High school as a senior teacher forced a decision, to go into massive debt and continue hobby farming or live in town and cut the costs involved with being the taxi driver for the children's involvement in various extra curricula activities

With the family growing to five children the decision was made to live in town.

While this limited the opportunity to be directly involved in the tree planting and environmental works previously indulged in, their interest was maintained as Anne quickly sought out like minds and joined the Yarram Conservation Society. This initiated a number of efforts to secure Trust for Nature conservation measures on land that is now adjacent to

the Old Port walking track or part of the Nooramunga Coastal Park.

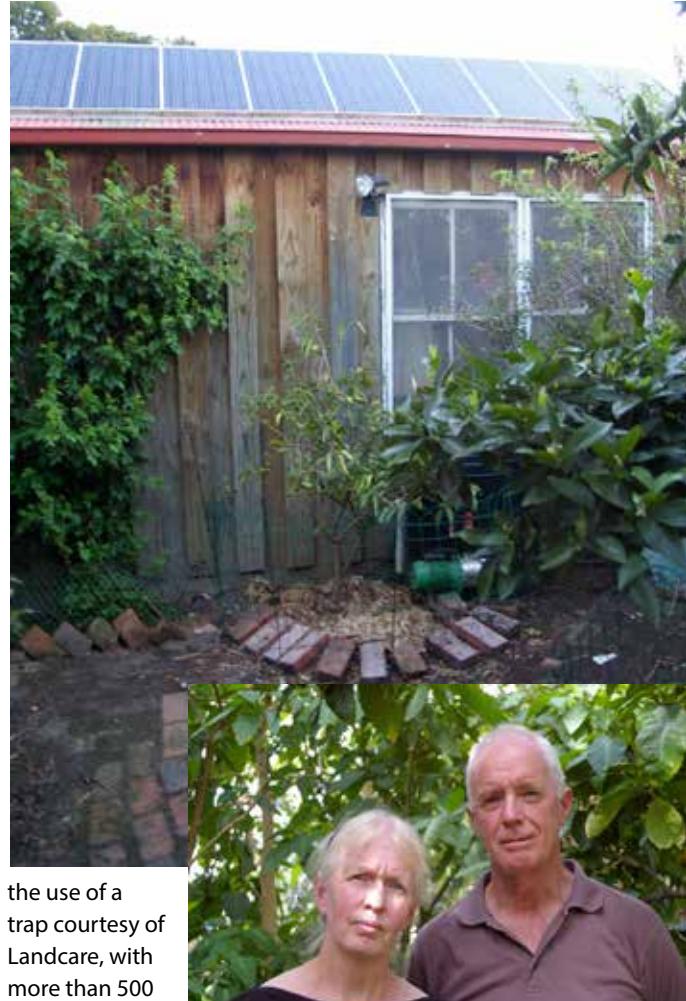
Then some years later the opportunity arose for Peter and Anne to involve themselves in the steering committee formed to establish Yarram community's interest in and the financial viability of the Tarra Rail Trail.

After many meetings with stakeholders, State government departments and the Wellington Shire the trail was finally built, but only as far as Alberton, not all the way to Port Albert as envisaged.

The completion of this project then led to their "hands on" participation in the Friends of the Tarra Trail, with Peter as Secretary, entailing the planting of thousands of locally sourced indigenous trees and shrubs along its boundaries from Yarram to Alberton in conjunction with local schools and service clubs.

Responding to an interesting conversation with Trevor Colvin, Peter and Anne became inaugural members of the Yarram Urban Landcare Group and have focused their attention in assisting in the restoration of the little known Yarram Bicentennial (Botanical) Gardens. With shared responsibilities with the Nightingale Trust, works have begun with weed eradication and felling of dead trees. There are also plans for a community fruit and vegie garden to be established within the entrance area.

Peter and Anne's involvement in the YULG's Indian Myna reduction project has involved



the use of a trap courtesy of Landcare, with more than 500 birds euthanised between January and August this year. Last year's total was in excess of 400 of the pest introduced mynas.

Their home in Yarram has also shared in their passion for sustainability.

Nine years ago a 1.5 Kw photovoltaic solar system was installed, along with retrofitted solar hot water panels that assist the combustion stove in heating their hot water without the need for electricity. These installations are in addition to several water tanks for both domestic and garden use and

a grey water recycling system, which feeds the toilet cisterns from bath/shower water.

Their large vegie patch was also updated with raised beds, with the chooks assisting in the production of large amounts of compost. More food is grown than required with neighbours and family benefiting.

Recently Anne was nominated for and accepted a position on the Yarram Yarram Landcare Network Board and is looking forward to making a greater contribution to Landcare locally. ■



HOT INFORMATION

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

by Sam Shannon

'Bring Your Meetings to Life' workshops 15th-17th July 2014

Around 150 people from across West Gippsland ventured out on a cold July evening to attend one of three workshops facilitated by Viv McWaters aimed at reinvigorating Landcare group meetings.

The workshops were organised to address concerns often expressed by groups including the struggle to encourage new people into executive positions, poor attendance at meetings and waning enthusiasm amongst members.

We were welcomed into a space with no tables – one of Viv's suggestions to provide a less formal setting to any meeting. Everyone was kept active throughout workshop trying out a range of techniques including "Rip it Up" (review a document by ripping it into sections, one for each person to summarise), "Full Circle" (to quickly gather a lot of data from a group about a particular topic), and "Love it – Loathe it" (a decision-making process that recognises that most people are not simply 'for or against' an idea).

Viv encouraged people to think about the appropriateness of traditional meeting techniques for community meetings. Apart from the AGM, every other meeting can have a different, less formal format. Do you need an agenda? Does the Chairperson need to be the same person for each meeting? Do you need to keep minutes of everything everyone says? There were plenty of ideas flowing around the room in response to some thought-provoking questions such as

"What do you need to let go of to allow your group to thrive?" and "How can you make time in your meetings for the things that really matter?". If you would like a summary of the responses to these and other questions please contact Sam Shannon – details below.

A booklet was provided outlining the techniques demonstrated during the evening and many other ideas that could be used to enhance any meeting. The booklet can be downloaded for free here: [Bring Your Meetings to Life booklet](#).

The workshops were funded through the Regional Landcare Facilitator programme which is an initiative of the Australian Government department of Agriculture.

Organiser: Sam Shannon – Regional Landcare Facilitator, West Gippsland CMA.
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Above - Viv McWaters speaking at the Warragul workshop, 17th July. Tables were removed from the area to create a less formal setting. **Below** - Love it, Like it, Live with it, Lament it or Loathe it? Most people usually fall somewhere along a scale, rather than being simply 'for or against' an idea. This decision-making process provides for that.



A taste of the 'Full Circle' combined wisdom...

What do you need to let go of, to allow your group to thrive?

Best ideas

- Egos ■ Pre-conceived ideas ■ Seriousness ■ Break convention
- Unlimited term for office bearers ■ Negative attitudes
- Let go of past expectations, of group ideals/preconceived ideas about members (number and type)
- Let go of boundary and include other groups
- Leader let go of control by delegating

Please email Sam Shannon sams@wgcma.vic.gov.au if you would like a copy of the responses to other questions.



AROUND THE TRAPS

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By our Landcare Groups

Welcome to the Corner Inlet Blackberry Action Group



The Corner Inlet Blackberry Action Group [CIBAG] (the latest of our sub-groups) is now in its second year and looking to build on good achievements from last year.

The 32,500 hectare control area which runs from Hedley then north to Wonyip then west over Mt. Best and Foster Nth is mostly in difficult steep terrain and has

numerous creeks running north to south into Corner Inlet.

Many of creek banks are covered in a dense mass of blackberry and are smothering the diverse and visually spectacular understorey plants of Cool Temperate Rainforests, Damp Forest and Wet Forest of the Strzelecki ranges.

The demise of dairy industry in the steeper hill country, forestry and the influx of weekend lifestyle landholders adds up to

less full time people to deal with an estimated 1657 hectares of blackberry infestation.

One of the aims of CIBAG is to map blackberry infestations and get a better handle on exactly what we are dealing with. However the main aim of CIBAG together with our project officer is encouraging a community based effort together with the local shires and forestry companies to form strategies to tackle this invasive weed.

Landowners were split into groups to discuss the challenges and success stories they have experienced on their properties. The feedback provided invaluable information to the other 50 participants and the CIBAG Committee

Results so far are encouraging with 27 new landholders signing up to blackberry control programs and another 10 on the verge of doing so.

An information field day was held at Mt. Best hall with over 50 people attending and several river restoration projects getting underway which include Woomera Ck, Dingo Creek, Agnes River and the Nine Mile Ck. CIBAG is one of 14 such groups working under the umbrella of The Victorian Blackberry Taskforce which operate across the state. ■

Mirridong's Activities with Yarram Yarram Landcare.

Mirridong is an Adult Training Support Service based in Yarram. Clients who attend the Day Service come from South-East Gippsland.

The Service offers a variety of Recreational and Pre-vocational Programmes. One such programme is **"Working with and enjoying the Landcare Experience"**. Here the clients have had the opportunity to participate in activities in the natural environment.

A small group of interested clients have visited a wide variety of local sites to observe bird and plant life in coastal and inland environments. The group have been guided by two local environmental enthusiasts

Kaye Proudley and Jenny Wolswinkle. Their guidance was very much appreciated.

We visited part of Alberton West Forest, Sea Bank on the bank of the Albert River, White Woman's Waterhole, rainforest at Tarra Valley and Yarram Botanical Gardens. Other sites of interest were HVP Nursery at Gelliondale, Tarra Nursery at Alberton. Activities of tree planting took place at Alberton West, Hunterston and Hedley. Native seed sorting took place at the Landcare Office in Yarram. Coastcare saw a time for collecting tree guards and stakes at Woodside Beach. A couple of indoor activities were helping in preparation of



AT THE NURSERY IN GELLIONDALE

Landcare mail-out information, and assembling table centre decorations from natural materials for the Landcare AGM.

Thankyou for having us participate in this wonderful environmental programme. ■



AROUND THE TRAPS

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By our Landcare Groups

Woodside

At our recent meeting and AGM we obtained the services of Mr Rob Strahan who is a world renowned expert on flags. Mr Strahan kept the group enthralled and brought along some lovely flags for display just before he headed off overseas for his next official engagement.

Woodside continues to be a warm and social group that enjoys wonderful suppers prepared by our Kay Belcher and we welcome newcomers with open arms. ■

Wonyip



On the 30th July one of our founding members David White passed away. Our group celebrated his life on the 16th August in the Wonyip Excelsior Hall.

Sometimes such events bring people closer together. Landcare members are indeed a "community" and not only tree planters.

Congratulations to Cameron Stone and partner Shari who were recently married on their property at Ryton Junction on the 30th of August. ■

Binginwarri

The Binginwarri Group is offering some hopefully, different activities to close out this year as well as a few of the old and trusted. These include:

Sun 26th Oct at 9.30am: a roadside weed removal working Bee on Binginwarri roads. BYO spade, small poison dabbers, gloves, chaff bags, etc. BBQ lunch provided.

Sun 2nd Nov from 2 till 4pm: local historical landmark bus tour with John O'Callaghan leading us. Afternoon tea provided.

Sat 22nd OR Sun 23rd Nov: Mystery day - details TBA.

Sun 7th Dec at 9.30am promptly: car rally-come-treasure hunt before our Annual Break-up BBQ. Starting from and ending up at the Binginwarri Hall.

As well, there are two Binginwarri Biodiversity Days (Sun 12th Oct and Sun 16th Nov both starting at 10am) where we wander the bush of Bingi looking at plants and any signs of fauna to record on our database, AND a Birdwatching Day on Sun 19th Oct at McLoughlin's and Mann's Beaches at a time TBA.

People from other Landcare Groups, friends, relatives and even your enemies are all very welcome to come along with us! For all further details and to book please contact either Kaye on 5185 1398 or John on 5185 1455. ■

Merriman Creek

We have applied for a "Communities for Nature" grant

to control woody weeds along Merriman Creek. This project (if successful) will include weed control, revegetation and water quality education workshops with the local school. This creek is the primary water source for the township of Seaspray and we all must continue to protect and enhance it.

Details regarding our Christmas meeting will be discussed soon and advertised on the Network's website www.yyln.org.au - and click on the Merriman Creek group. ■

Hedley/Nine Mile Creek

Hedley Landcare group will be sad to say goodbye to Dallas and Jude Wyatt. They have both been enthusiastic contributors to the group with some great Landcare projects (and food) delivered in their time at Welshpool. Dallas has been such an inspiration in getting things up and running and his knowledge base of the birds is just fantastic and much appreciated. Their final legacy is a new project which Dallas and Sally-Ann designed and has received funding from the Communities for Nature program. We wish them well for their move to Inverloch.

The new project "Farm Dams – crying out for wildlife" is a small grant to work at demonstration sites (Hedley, Won Wron and Stacey's Bridge) to make farm dams more wildlife friendly. We will be planting wetland and wildlife friendly species to assist natural regeneration

and then monitor the changes over time. Unfortunately we won't have Dallas's birding skills quite so nearby anymore but am sure within the wider Landcare family there will be plenty of other willing helpers. Yarram Secondary College will also build some nest boxes to be installed alongside the plants. ■

Yarram Urban

The past few months our group has attended to the detail of the botanic garden restoration with a number of meetings with the management committee and other interested parties. We are currently working through a 'Memorandum of Understanding' so as to minimize any confusion and when that is all agreed, we can start the actual work. It will be an exciting project and will give back to Yarram an asset that most people are unaware even exists.

We will introduce the public to the gardens over the summer months, so please attend any functions we announce because this is a district wide Landcare project really.

The Grand Strzelecki Track presents us with a great opportunity to extend the track from Macks Creek to Yarram. This will have significant financial benefits for Yarram and Port Albert and the local traders association are working closely with us, as are the Grand Strzelecki Track Committee. This long term project should see positive corridor development through Devon North to Yarram and then pick up the rail trail with an extension to Port Albert. ■



Go PERMACULTURE!

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Helga Binder

Abundance begins with a state of mind.



When Bob Tatnell and Angie Bowen arrived at what was to become Gardenfarm, they knew that there was a challenge ahead from which they and their family would never emerge the same.

How does a person fresh from the city come to realise that the fruit that seems to begin its life in 1 kilogram plastic bags, actually emerges miraculously from the earth, air and sun as it weighs down summer branches with a thousand examples?

How could he or she know in advance the beautiful protective instincts and sociability of a cow, or that sheep are far from stupid or that a dog is truly a friend for life?

These discoveries were just the

beginning of a fundamental change for Bob and Angie.

Profoundly committed to developing their farm on the solid foundation of Permaculture (a sustainable way of life and farming developed by Bill Mollison in Tasmania in the 1970's) Bob and Angie have been amazed at the results of their hard work and commitment.

Especially Bob, a poet at heart, is abundantly enthusiastic over his discoveries. He is in awe at the energy contained in a seed, the miracle of a grafted apple and the fact that plants often regarded as weeds performed pumping actions to extract minerals and water from the soil and nitrogen from the air for

the benefit of the other, edible, plants.

He is thrilled to have discovered that meat quality depends upon environment and contentedness, not weight and that a chicken has a myriad of vital farm functions; that slowing down water keeps it forever in the soil; and that wood is nature's fertiliser.

In his quest to make Permaculture the core of his farming success he continues to ask critical questions.

"What of observation and education, experimentation, failures?"

"What of abundance?"

"How can soil be mud in one season and rock in another?"

He believes that *"observation plays an enormous part in the development of a viable and sustainable small farm."*

"But so does reading about and listening to the observations of others," he adds. *"How can it be that the green leaf is the only thing that is newly created in the universe? A big statement. And as the leaf falls and is re-incorporated into the topsoil, new life is created from minerals from the deep and gases from the atmosphere. How could a*

farmer come to realise the true value of a tree?"

According to Bob, farmers are surrounded by limitless opportunities. Diversity really knows no bounds and food for farming families, their communities and others should never be under question.

Bob welcomes discussion around what works on his farm and is delighted when people show an interest in how he is progressing.

What Bob and Angie are discovering now, as their farm matures, with its trees, vines and bushes, its energy and plant and animal successions, more time is available and needed for the harvest phases.

In Bob's words:
"And what could be better than that!"

If you ever happen to be out Hiawatha way he would be more than happy to show you his progress, his inventions and his truly delicious jams and jellies.

If you would like to learn more about Permaculture principals in an educational-style setting, Bob is offering a Permaculture Start Course at Gardenfarm on the weekend of the 10th and 11th of January 2015.

Registrations are now open at www.gardenfarm.biz.

Landcare members, particularly Wonyip group, have already shown a great deal of support for this introductory Permaculture event but early bird registrations, at a discounted rate are still available for the keenest. ■





PROJECT UPDATE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Bronwyn Johnson [with excerpts from her final reports in the Annual Report]

Seedbank Report

The conclusion of the Mullungdung to Coast project saw a dramatic decrease in seed requirements from July 2013. There were a few enquiries regarding seed availability but fewer sales.

This lull in activity was short lived as the Seedbank had applied for and received a \$5000 Wellington Shire Community Assistance Grant to develop an online revegetation guide.

The guide lists revegetation species for the various EVC's in our network. The guide will be available as printable pages on the web. It will also be available via the YYLN website. The online planting guide is a great resource for anyone wanting to know what they should be planting at their place if they are interested in revegetation.

Mullungdung to the Coast

Although this project officially finished in 2012-13, there was some final project delivery this year. This included working on collecting data for the evaluation and writing up the final report.

The final outputs of the project over the life of the project were:

- 104 ha of corridors established and remnant vegetation protected
- 30,000 seedlings in the ground
- 55kg of Seed planted
- 34km of fencing erected
- 13 workshops and field days delivered on a range of topics including weed identification, fire ecology and aboriginal cultural heritage. ■

The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'WHAT TO PLANT AT YOUR PLACE' website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links to HOME, BASIC REVEG ADVICE, SPECIES LISTS, and MORE. Below the navigation is a large banner image of a garden scene with flowers. The main title 'WHAT TO PLANT AT YOUR PLACE' is displayed in a large, bold, red font. Below the title, there is a welcome message: 'Welcome to the Yarram Yarram Landcare Network (YYLN) Revegetation Guide'. The page includes several columns of text and images related to native plant selection and planting advice. On the right side, there is a sidebar with tips for different planting timelines: 'If you are planning for a year - plant rice.', 'If you are planning for a decade - plant trees.', 'If you are planning for a lifetime - educate people.', and 'Chinese New Year'. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with links to 'HOME', 'ABOUT US', 'CONTACT US', and 'MEMBER BENEFITS'.

Planting Guide & Art Exhibition

We combined with the Courthouse Gallery in Yarram to host a botanical art exhibition and competition in March. We attracted entries from far and wide, in part because we were able to have world renowned botanical artist Celia Rosser as one of our judges.

The art work displayed were used to illustrate the guide. We could not have delivered this successful exhibition without the valuable contribution of the volunteers of the Courthouse Gallery particularly Jenny Davies. Hedley Range Services came on board as sponsors forming another valuable partnership. Working with the community to make this exhibition a great success was definitely the highlight of the year for the Seedbank Officer.

The Planting Guide was subsequently developed, using the artwork from the exhibition to make it a unique and appealing web site.

What to Plant at Your Place is a unique guide in that it selects the most common Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVC's) for each Landcare Group and gives a range of planting choices for each storey. The plants have been chosen principally for variety and availability.

If you want to do a bit of indigenous planting the website can be found at www.yylnreveg.org

Please use the comments section on the website to give us your feedback. ■

Fox Control

Corner Inlet Connections, Caring for our Country (CFOC)

The West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority (WGCMA) commissioned us to work with coastal communities to protect the breeding and feeding shore birds of Nooramunga and Corner Inlet. Fox predation is a significant risk to both the resident and migratory birds, and Parks Victoria (PV) have undertaken works to ensure the islands are fox free. The challenge given to us was to work with the landholders adjacent to the coast to encourage them to undertake fox control. This would prevent foxes recolonising the islands and provide additional safe sites on the mainland.

A fox forum was held at Welshpool in conjunction with South Gippsland Landcare Network (SGLN) and PV. Participants heard of the impressive improvements made as a result of wild dog and fox control programs in Victoria's North East. Participants shared their concerns and motivation for undertaking fox control works and action learning groups were established to progress the issue further. The next stage of the project is for landholders to explore the best methods of control and to implement some broad-scale control programs. ■

Farewell to you all

It is with regret that I relinquished the position of Seedbank Officer in June 2014. Ours was the last seedbank in the region with a funded staff member and the slow continual erosion of these positions is of concern into the future. However, the urban Landcare Group has kindly offered to volunteer time to service the seed requirements of the landcare community for the time being.

All enquiries should be directed to Sally-Ann Henderson on 5175 7897. ■



PROJECT UPDATE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Samantha Monks

Protecting the Corner Inlet Coastal Hotspot Program – YYLN Coastal Saltmarsh Protection Project

Great news!!!

I am very proud to announce YYLN's Coastal Saltmarsh Protection Project has won the Natural Environment Award in the Victorian Coastal Awards for Excellence 2014 run by the Victorian Coastal Council.

The Victorian Coastal Council (VCC) was "particularly excited about the high calibre of nominations in each of the six award categories being contested this year". The Minister for Environment & Climate Change, the Hon Ryan Smith announced the award winners at the VCC awards ceremony on Sept 11th in Melbourne.

As project manager of the saltmarsh program since 2010, I would like to congratulate the farmers, landholders, contractors and agency staff for their hard work and long hours put into this project. Thankyou all for the long term commitment needed to protect this fragile coastal environment for the benefit of future generations.

YYLN in partnership with the WGCMA through the Corner Inlet Connections Project has worked closely with landholders to protect and enhance high priority areas of coastal vegetation (saltmarsh and mangrove communities) adjoining the RAMSAR Listed Wetlands of Corner Inlet & Nooramunga Marine and Coastal Park. To date YYLN's Coastal Saltmarsh Protection Project has protected 700 ha of saltmarsh on freehold land between Port Albert and Reeves Beach.



Summary Project Achievements (2009 – 2014):

- 700 ha of coastal vegetation fenced off and protected from stock
- 25 km fencing erected, using "wildlife friendly" plain wire
- Revegetation - 35,000 locally indigenous tubestock planted
- 10 individual project sites



- 8 landholders
- 50 ha Weeds of National Significance (WoNS) treated and/or removed – eg. Gorse, Boxthorn, Spiny rush.
- 10 stock crossings
- 2 Field days
 - Saltmarshes Uncovered
 - Jack & Albert Rivers Discovery Day at Port Albert

YYLN/WGCMA Regional Growth Fund Flood Support Program - Coastal Saltmarsh Protection Project 2012-2014:

During July a further 5,000 locally indigenous tubestock were planted across four properties to top up the 10,000 planted last year. This action completes the WGCMA's 'Regional Growth Fund Flood Support Program' and is YYLN's largest cross property project to date. It forms a saltmarsh biolink that connects existing saltmarsh project sites created over the past six years.

2012 -2014 on-ground works include: 10 km of plain wire fencing, stock crossings, 15 ha of Boxthorn and Gorse removed/treated and 15,000 locally indigenous tubestock/cuttings.



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By Samantha Monks

Action on the Ground (AotG) – Gippsland plains soil carbon trials – productivity & climate change responses

Soil carbon trials – using compost and chicken litter to increase soil organic carbon

At the end of June a good crowd of farmers from across West Gippsland gathered at Warrigal Creek, Darriman and then travelled on to Woodside to look at YYLN's latest soil carbon pasture trials. These trials are aimed at seeing how quickly high rates of organic matter (either chicken litter or recycled compost) can increase soil Total Organic Carbon (TOC).

In 2012, three of the original sixteen farms involved in the renowned "Gippsland Plains Drought Tolerant Pasture Demonstration" were selected for the soil carbon trials, funded via the Australian Government's Action on the Ground program.

Two of the three farms have been applying chicken litter while the third farm has been



FARMERS INSPECTING SOIL CARBON RESULTS

applying compost. Treatment paddocks on each farm are being compared with a "control" paddock receiving inorganic maintenance fertiliser products. Soil carbon, soil fertility, pasture composition and production (grazing days) are being monitored on these carbon trial sites. Annual application rates were calculated to supply the same amount of carbon to each trial paddock.

For example at Warrigal Creek on a newly renovated pasture, 5 tonnes/hectare (t/ha) of chicken

litter was applied, with a further 9 t/ha applied in 2014. This equates to 4 t/ha of carbon. It is very important to note the products are being applied at very high rates - far above those required to supply maintenance rates of nutrient typically applied as inorganic fertiliser products.

Poultry litter for two of the trials (Darriman & Woodside) is sourced from South East Organic Fertilizer, which has guaranteed priority supply for these trials due to high

demand from the horticultural industry. The compost product for the third trial at Stradbroke is supplied by Gibson's Groundspread and is known as "Revive", which is recycled green/food waste from Gippsland Water's Dutson Downs.

This sustainable agricultural program has been run by YYLN, along with project partners, Lisa Warn, Senior Agronomist from University of Melbourne's Mackinnon Project and Nick Dudley, Team Leader – Meat & Wool Services, Department of Environment & Primary Industry. Tony Gardner, Healthy Soils Project Coordinator from the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority has also provided extra support for the soil carbon project which will hopefully continue beyond 2015. ■

Communities for Nature Grant: Round 1 - Jack and Albert River Restoration (JARR) Project

On-ground project deliverables for Year 2 (2013- 2014) are now complete with another 13,000 tubestock planted out over winter.

All project deliverables and targets were successfully met and annual reporting was approved by Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI).

Year 3 EOIs are now being advertised and will close on October 17th. All project sites must occur within areas of high priority for protecting remaining habitat under the, "JARR Area EVC Bioregional Conservation Status" and are also part of

the "Strzelecki Koala Linkage Strategy – South-East Strzelecki Corridor, Albert River Link".

As in previous years, future project sites will be prioritised in order of importance according to the following funding deed criteria:

- Protect, enhance and/or connect remnant vegetation in priority Ecological Vegetation Communities (EVC's), which include Warm and Cool Temperate Rainforest, Lowland Forest and Damp Forest.
- Reduce the impacts of Blackberry, a Weed of National



Significance (WoNS) on biodiversity within the JARR area.

- Protect, enhance or connect

priority habitat for the Southern Gippsland Koala.

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By Samantha Monks

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YEAR 2 PROJECT

ACHIEVEMENTS: JARR 2013-2014

- Landscape Scale Biolinks: 4 wildlife corridors created, connecting high quality remnant vegetation / primary koala habitat areas.
- Locations: Jack River catchment area. Biolinks across private land to Jack River, Stony Creek & State Forest
- Corridors: 3.68 Ha
- Corridor & Remnant Vegetation: 1.61 ha
- Remnant Vegetation: 127.68 Ha
- Fencing: 5km fencing – plain wire, no barbed wire
- Vegetation: Approx. 16,000 locally indigenous tube stock to be planted July/August.
- Weed Control: 1km of willow removal along Stony Creek (medium infestation)

Total Area of Protection:

132.97 Ha

- Blackberry Suppression Works: JARR Catchment: Blackberry treated across 15 properties from Hiawatha to Jack River, covering 1400 ha. Focus on riparian areas linked to remnant forest to allow "koala movement", along Jack & Albert River catchments.
- WSC/WGCMA/YYLN: Roadside Weeds – Albert River, Hiawatha. Blackberry treated along Year 2 Shire roadsides from Hiawatha to Madalya. ■

Year 9 Yarram Secondary College (YSC) – Landcare Tree Planting Day

On a perfect spring day in September, 45 YSC students along with teachers Jae Taylor, Richard Johnson and Nathan Clark travelled to Neil Collins' property at Hunterston to replant existing shelterbelts damaged by fires in 2011. The students worked in groups and successfully planted 800 tubestock as part of the school's

2014 Community Program. On the last day of term a further 550 trees were planted out near a saltmarsh project area at Woodside along Bruthen Creek. The students met Eric Walpole (Bryan's father) who spoke about his early school days at Baloong Rd Primary School.

It was a great experience working with the students, they

worked really well together and shared jobs around. Looking around the group I noticed there were 3 grandchildren present from 4 different "pioneer" Landcare families: Jess Mattern – grand daughter of John & Shirley Mattern, Jesse Biemans – grandson of Gavin & Sue Egan, Jacob Cooper – grandson of Ian & Denise Dench and Taylor Gregory – granddaughter of David & Lucy Gregory!!!! 3rd generation Landcarer's in action! A special thank you to all involved with lots of laughs and hard work along the way! It's wonderful to work with a vibrant group of Young Landcarers!

Year 9 Comments:

On Monday the 8th of September our Year 9 community class went to Neil Collins farm to plant different trees. It started off with Sam, from Landcare, talking to us about the area and the trees we were working with, as well as demonstrating how to correctly plant them. By the end of the day we had roughly planted 800 trees. This was a new experience for many of us and is a great way to help the community.

By Billi Chisholm

On Monday the 8th of September both Year 9 classes went down to the Collins's farm to replant trees in an area that got burnt during the fires. Overall we planted around 800 trees. We all went out there not knowing what to expect, but overall it was a great experience and a good chance for everyone to give back something to the community.

By Rylee Mayo ■



THE YARRAM SECONDARY COLLEGE TREE PLANTING TEAM



YARRAM SECONDARY COLLEGE STUDENTS TREE PLANTING



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Invasive Plants & Animals Program (IPA)

YYLN continues to work closely with the Wellington Shire Council (WSC) and the Department of Primary Industries (DEPI) to assist the local community in the control and educational awareness of invasive plants and animals.

The early months of spring are the perfect time to identify several noxious weed species as they are in full bloom, particularly the bright yellow flowers of Broom, Boneseed and Gorse. Blue Periwinkle is also in flower following recent rains. Note: Please refer to the Suggested Guide for Invasive Plant & Animal Control for best times to control weeds & pests ■

BONESEED AT PORT ALBERT



CAPE BROOM AT PORT ALBERT



and suggested control methods on the following page.

Alan Hill (Land Projects Officer) at the WSC is doing a great job controlling weeds along the Shire roadsides. Alan is continuing the Gorse follow up program across YYLN's Gippsland Coastal Plains Gorse Control Program area. As our program has now finished it is essential that we remain vigilant in our efforts to stop the spread of this highly invasive weed.

For the 2014/15 financial year we are focussing on weeds in the lower Jack and Albert River areas below Billy Creek as part of the JARR project partnership. ■

Warren the Wise



On Wombats

This was the letter I had from 'Wondering' whose child had asked "Mummy why are the wombats around here so mangy and bald? When I see a dead one on the side of the road it has balls in its hair".

The 'balls in its hair' were what struck me first – I checked my own hair...no balls there (apart from the ones that I was born with!)...And then it hit me - they meant ticks! There are many ticks on Australia and the worst that occur in Victoria are the bush tick *Haemaphysalis longicornis*, the brown dog tick *Rhipicephalus sanguineus* and the very worst for animals and humans, the paralysis tick *Ixodes holocyclus* which does not occur in our area yet. My northern cousin wombats are lucky and have become immune to this tick. Of course for a wombat, we'd claim the wombat tick, *Aponomma auruginans* as the worst. Ticks don't worry us too much unless we get too many then we get anaemic, go blind

and even die from hunger from the overload of ticks.

Sarcoptic Mange or Scabies is a worse problem for all my relatives and me. It's something we have to try so hard not to catch – it looks so ugly with its big scabs and hair loss, and will eventually cause the death of us...after a lot of pain & suffering! I think foxes or dogs brought it here when they came to Australia 200 years ago, though some of your scientists claim that it came with dingos who have been here for 4,000 years or so, but some of us caught it and we are still dealing with it today. We catch it from our mates and can accidentally give it to other animals like cows.

Perhaps 'Wondering' you could tell your child about all the human males I see who are bald, though I don't think they have mange!

Maybe you can tell me why that is? ■

For further information on any of these projects or Invasive Plants & Animals matters please contact: Samantha Monks, YYLN Project Officer - Ph. 03 5175 7895, Mob. 0419 371 497 or Email samantham@wgcm.vic.gov.au



IPA CONTROL GUIDE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By Samantha Monks

A Suggested Guide for Invasive Plant & Animal (IPA) Control

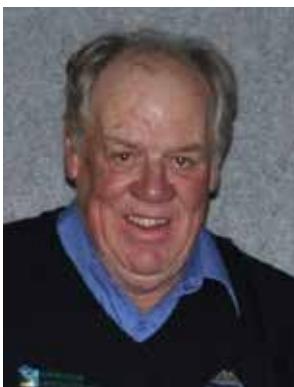
Invasive Weed/Animal	When to Control	Control Methods
Blackberry (<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>)	Best time: Early summer to early autumn (November to April)	Brush Off, Brushkiller 600 plus wetter Gazon Extra
Boneseed (<i>Chrysanthemoides monilifera</i> ssp. <i>monilifera</i>)	Best time: Spring – summer All year round	Hand pull young plants Cut & paint larger plants with Glyosphate e.g Round Up or Brush Off
Blue Periwinkle (<i>Vinca major</i>)	Year round, when flowering	Hand pull young plants or foliar spray with Round Up & Pulse
Bridal Creeper (<i>Asparagus asparagoides</i>)	Best time: Regrowth stage after summer	Hand pull young plants Round Up or Brush Off
Broom – Cape (<i>Genista monspessulana</i>), English (<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>) & Flax-leaf (<i>Genista linifolia</i>)	Best time: Sept – Oct at flowering stage All year round	Hand pull young plants Gazon Extra
Gorse (<i>Ulex europeus</i>)	Best time: When actively growing, usually following rain	Gazon Extra & Pulse penetrant
Paterson's Curse (<i>Echium lantagineum</i>)	Best time: Early spring at rosette stage	Brush Off
Ragwort (<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>)	Best time: Sept onwards, at seedling & rosette stage. Spray up until flowering, once seed is set remove head, bag up, spray plant	Brush Off etc Gazon Extra Tordon Granules
Serrated tussock (<i>Nasella trichotoma</i>)	Best time: March – Oct. When actively growing & before seed set	Integrated control: Slash or burn Spray or cultivate
Thistles: 1. Spear (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>), Slender/Shore (<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>)	1. Best Time: At seedling/rosette stage. (Two main germination stages – late winter to spring and late summer to autumn) 2. Mature to flowering Dec to May 3. Nov – Dec at seedling or early stage	1. Amicide 625 2. Kamba M, Lontrel 3. Lontrel
Woody Weeds Eg. Boxthorn, Mirror Bush	Spring - summer	Hand pull young plants Cut & paint - Round Up Gazon Extra
Foxes	Late winter/spring – Coordinated fox baiting program to target vixens & to protect young livestock Autumn - Coordinated fox baiting program to target young animals	Integrated community management program using multiple control methods. Including: Coordinated fox baiting programs (seasonal); harbour reduction eg. Boxthorn, Blackberry;
Rabbits	Late summer – Generally high density infestations occur	As above. Inc. harbour removal & warren destruction, coordinated baiting programs, ferreting and fumigation.



CHAIR'S MESSAGE

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK

By David McAninly



DAVID MCANINLY

With such uncertainty of the future of funding for Landcare across the whole country at present, I felt obliged to reassure people that it is not all "doom & gloom" rather, for our Network and others, there is much to be excited about.

Funding for essentials and small projects will continue through Federal, State and Local Government sources as well as another generous amount from our philanthropic partner, the Norman Wettenhall Foundation.

It is with much enjoyment and pride that I reflect on the happenings of YYLN over the past few months and in particular the gathering for our AGM on 29 August at Yarram Club Hotel. There was such a good crowd despite so many regulars being away. A great job done by our **Mirridong** friends with the natural beauty of floral and seashell table arrangements, done under **Sue MacAulay's** direction. We had a fantastic guest speaker in the passionate "**Jono**", with so much

information and spectacular photos of ocean life. Great choice Melissa, and thank you for making the contact.

There was sadness on the loss of 3 highly respected Board members, in particular Brian Nicholls after 14 years as a leader in so many positions: **Trevor Colvin** 4 years and **David Hill** 2 years. Thank you guys for your outstanding contribution to YYLN.

Welcome to prominent Landcare members Kaye Proudley, Anne Hill and John McClumpha who willingly accepted to join our board. They have already had an introductory session with Sally-Ann. Looking forward to working with such knowledgeable and energetic people.

Great result at the Victorian Coastal Council Awards night in Melbourne on Thursday 11 September. YYLN won the prestigious Natural Environment Award for the Coastal Saltmarsh Protection Project.

Fittingly, **Samantha Monks** was present to receive the award and also gave a very impressive speech emphasising the partnerships in the Corner Inlet Connections, who have worked closely with landholders to protect and enhance high priority areas of coastal vegetation.

She praised the landholders, including **Ashley Walpole** and family who kicked off the project. Since then there has been 700 hectares protected. **Congratulations and well done Samantha and partners.**

Since then we have received letters of congratulations from

Bruce Atkin (Coastcare) and the Gippsland Coastal Board Chairperson, Richard Ellis.

The National Landcare Conference was held in Melbourne the following week with Sally-Ann, Samantha, Werner and Helga all attending parts of the conference. Libby Balderstone was also present. There was some good news coming from the conference, in regards to funding.

Sally-Ann approached Ryan Smith (Minister for Environment and Climate Change) to thank him for the State Government's contributions over the past 4 years including the \$14million for Victorian coordinators wages. As well as the \$600,000 YYLN was granted through Communities for Nature in late 2012 for the JARR Project, and also the recent contribution of a further \$20,000 to continue the award winning saltmarsh work and develop a dam wildlife project. The same Minister then publicly announced that if returned to government the funding for coordinators will continue.

The Federal Government's Environment Minister, Greg Hunt announced groups could bid for grants of up to \$20,000 to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of National Landcare. CMA chiefs are saying that funding through "Caring For Our Country" will still be available to YYLN via WGCMA allocations, although rebranded now as the National Landcare Program and combined with all other Natural Resource Management funding such as the Green Army. It appears the Green Army concept is not quite working out the way the government predicted.

Added confidence on funding came from CMA Board Chairman, Angus Hume at the Regional Forum on September 1, when he declared that with his political contacts, both sides of state parliament are committed to paying coordinators and supporting Landcare generally. Angus is now Chair of all Victoria's CMA Chairs, so his political clout in Canberra and Spring Street is helping decision makers alter their opinions and decisions. Let's hope that continues!!

Locally Sally-Ann has been extremely busy writing out applications for grants for DEPI funding. Last count YYLN was up to 9 applications, Well Done Sally-Ann.

I'm hoping this report meets the high standards of our regular reporters and specialist journalists! A very special thank you to our talented duo of **Melissa and Helga** for their enormous amount of time and effort in compiling such wonderful Newsletters - a class act.

As I travel around the district it is a delight to see the wonderful project works that are going on and have recently been completed, thus further enhancing our beautiful part of the world. I'm looking forward to a positive, productive and enjoyable future with our happy Landcare family.

Yours in Landcare

David McAninly (Chair)



NEW YYLN BOARD

YARRAM YARRAM LANDCARE NETWORK



DAVID MCANINLY

Chair

David is a community leader in both Landcare and local sporting associations. With his wife, Joy, he runs a large and very successful dairy farm in the Albert catchment area. For many years he has applied Landcare principles to the local area and his farming practices. His property is now a showcase for Landcare in action.



WERNER LANGE

Vice Chair

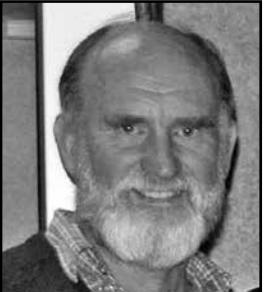
Werner has a long history as a Mechanical Engineer in the Agro-industrial sector supplying turnkey feed-milling, malthouse and slaughterhouse projects. He ran his own business for 10 years but has now retired with his wife, Turid, to a hobby-farm in Wonyip. He has a passionate interest in the environment and the preservation of it.



MELISSA AINSWORTH

Secretary

Married with two children, Melissa and her husband Justin breed Angus cattle on their farm at Stradbroke West. Melissa's career spans over fifteen years in the Natural Resource Management sector, specifically in Park Management. Her hands-on experience in farming and NRM bring a very valuable perspective to the Landcare Network.



DAVID MACAULAY

Treasurer

David is a local dairy farmer with a passion for the environment. He lives with his wife Sue on a gently undulating property at the foothills of the Strzelecki's and has been active in Landcare since before Landcare was even invented. He won the local Individual Landcare Award in 2011 and brings a special brand of level-headedness to the Board.

The Yarram Yarram Landcare Network Board looks after the needs and requirements of the Yarram districts Landcare Groups and Sub-Groups. They do this through well researched strategic direction, active communication with the community, and excellent project management by a small, core group of staff. The YYLN has 341 member families in seven active Landcare Groups. Its members manage land from the top of the high rainfall, high fertility Strzelecki Ranges across the South Gippsland Plains and down to the coast, covering approximately 118,000ha.



HELGA BINDER

Helga lives with her partner, Peter, on a beautifully lush rainforest property near the headwaters of the Albert River. She loves the strong sense of community found in Landcare. Her expertise in Graphic Design and small business has been a very welcome addition to the wide range of skills offered by other Board members.



ANNE HILL

With husband Peter and five children, Anne has lived and worked in Yarram for over 30yrs. She has always held strong views on sustainability and recycling and been a member of the Yarram Conservation Group, the Tarra Trail Steering Committee, Friends of the Tarra Trail and now the Yarram Urban Landcare Group.



JOHN MCCLUMPHA

Raised on a dairy farm John has always had a heart for the rural areas and bush land and, after 42 years in Construction Engineering has retired to a remnant bush block on the Hedley Range in Binginwarri. His basic philosophy - that we along with all other living things are equally part of nature - encompasses the basic Landcare principles.



KAYE PROUDLEY

Kaye with husband Roy moved from Melbourne (where she was a previous Individual Landcare Award winner) to a bush property in Binginwarri 10 years ago. She feels the many thousands of plants she has grown are her greatest contribution to the land, closely followed by hundreds of hours spent as a volunteer.

Its catchment area includes the Nine Mile Creek, Jack, Albert and Tarra Rivers, Bruthen and Merriman Creeks and Jack Smith Lake.

The major land use industries in the region are dairy, beef, high-grade wool sheep, prime lambs and forestry.

It is a credit to us all that we have had a number of State Landcare Award winners from our region.



ROYDON ISLAND CAPE BARREN GOOSE

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ROYDON ISLAND - MOONRISE OVER FLINDERS