

# Regional Roundup - Edition 43 - June 2023

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**Regional Roundup** is a monthly e-newsletter keeping you up-to-date with events, opportunities and information in the agriculture and Landcare space across the Murray region.

In collaboration with the Murray Landcare Collective, supported by Landcare, producer and community groups across the Murray region.

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 Section Header: Update


## Murray Natural Resource Management Strategy Released

Murray Local Land Services (LLS) has recently published the Murray Regional Natural Resource Management Strategy 2023-2028.

The purpose of this strategy is to:

1. Identify priority activities to protect the natural values of the Murray region.
2. Provide a link of priority activities to the Australian Government's matters of national environmental significance.
3. Provide strategic and practical guidance to Murray LLS in the implementation of its regional NRM program.

This document provides an overview of the development and implementation of the organisations Natural Resource Management (NRM) priority activities over the next 5 years.

 Picture of the front cover of the Murray Regional Natural Resource Management Strategy 2023-2028

### 'Measuring What Matters'

Local Land Services (LLS) aims to provide services which support you to manage your farm in a bio-secure, profitable and sustainable manner.

To ensure they are meeting your needs, LLS are conducting a 5 year study to evaluate:

- the value of their information,
- usefulness of their services, and
- the extent of their support on your land management practices.


LLS invite you to join this study so they can continue to add value to your farming into the future.

By signing up, you will receive project updates, as well as a follow-up survey annually for 5 years. To maintain your privacy, responses will be pooled and/or will remain anonymous in published reports.

[Sign up now](#)

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 Section Header: Feature Article

## Regional Roundup Magazine Launched

### **Celebrating Agriculture and Landcare across the Murray Region**

*By Sandy Dellwo, Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator*

A one-off online magazine has just been released to showcase the valuable activities and projects conducted by various groups across the Murray region in the fields of agriculture and Landcare.


The Regional Roundup Magazine celebrates the different groups, their identity, and purpose and exemplifies the diverse, important and successful initiatives they carry out throughout the region, contributing to agricultural practice change and natural resource management.

This magazine is a collaborative effort between the Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator (RALF), the Regional Landcare Coordinator (RLC), Local Landcare Coordinators (LLCs), and Landcare and Producer/Farming systems groups in the Murray region of NSW.

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 Section Header: Upcoming Events

 Date tile 24-25 June  
Saturday and Sunday


## Nature Conservation Council Conference, Albury

The Nature Conservation Council Regional Conference shines a spotlight on a different region in NSW each year. Capitalising on Charles Sturt University's sustainability campus, this year's conference offers an opportunity to explore how groups remain healthy and vibrant, build connections and be effective agents for change. [Register here.](#)

 Date tile June 26 12.30pm

## Streamlining Livestock Management

This online presentation will run participants through the AgriWebb app and share how more than 5000 farmers across Australia have harnessed the power of AgriWebb to transform their farm operations, ultimately improving efficiency, sustainability, and profitability. [Register here.](#)

 Date tile June, various dates

## Farm Business Management Basics - An Intro

Murray LLS is hosting workshops that will help participants develop a greater and clearer understanding of basic principles of Farm Business Management to help manage the farm business now and into the future. Participants will be provided with a range of take-home tools and have the time to begin to apply them to their own business. [Register here.](#)

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**Oaklands** - Tuesday 27 June, 8.30am

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**Holbrook** - Wednesday 28 June, 8.30am (at capacity)


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**Tumbarumba** - Thursday 29 June, 8.30am

 Date tile June 27 9am to 1pm


## Drought Resilience Field Day, Hay

This Local Land Services workshop will demonstrate a range of on farm practices to improve the management of natural capital and build drought resilience on your property in dry times. [Find out more here.](#)

 Date tile June 27 9.30am to 12pm


## Control of Weeds Post-Flood, Moulamein

Join Local Land Services for a morning discussing: problem weeds which have appeared after the recent floods, ways to avoid chemical resistance in weeds and the recent herbicide MoA alignment and how this affects you. These topics will be covered by DPI agronomist Eric Koetz. [Register here.](#)

 Date tile June 27 10am to 12.30pm


## Women's Weaving Workshop, Baranduda

Join Aunty Valda Murray and Kiewa Catchment Landcare groups for a fun women 's weaving session at the Baranduda Community Centre. Learn about the revival of traditional crafts in the local context whilst getting hands-on practice in weaving techniques that have been shared for hundreds of generations. [Register here.](#)

 Date tile June 27 Tuesday

## Mountain Landcare Tree Giveaway, Tumbarumba


Mountain Landcare are holding a free tree giveaway in the main street of Tumbarumba on Tuesday 27 June to celebrate International Tree Day. For more information contact Rachael Daniel on 0428 992 607.

 Date tile June 27 & July 11  
10am to 12pm

## Painting for Wellness, Hay

This event is brought to you by Murrumbidgee Landcare and Riverina Local Land Services and encourages meaningful conversations through painting to support recovery from the challenges of drought, COVID-19 and floods. No prior artistic experience is necessary – just an open mind. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile June 28 6.30pm

### **Khancoban Landcare Meet and Greet, Khancoban**

Join Khancoban Landcare for a meet and greet get together at the Alpine Inn. All members of the community are encouraged to attend to hear about the group. Holbrook Landcare staff will be there to answer any questions. For more information contact Rachael Daniel on 0428 992 607.

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 Date tile 28 to 29 June 8am to 10.30am

### **Stock Management Area Demonstration, Deniliquin**

Irrigated Cropping Council are holding two stock management area demonstration days that will focus on design, nutrition and animal management. Host farmers will discuss construction of their stock management area (SMA), how they use it, and ideas for improvement. Murray Local Land Services staff will discuss SMA design, regulations and animal management to optimise reproduction and health. [Find out more here.](#)


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**Lindifferon** - Wednesday 28 June

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**Bunnaloo** - Thursday 29 June


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 Date tile June 29 9am to 4.30pm

### **Soil Carbon Workshop, Wagga Wagga**

Join this Resource Consulting Services workshop to: learn about what soil organic carbon is and how it is measured; understand associated economics; and gain insights from successful projects around Australia. Cost \$25. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile June 30 9.30am to 4pm

### **Keep in Touch Day, Holbrook**

Resource Consulting Services (RCS) Keep in Touch days are an opportunity for like-minded people to gather on a farm to discuss and see firsthand how RCS principles are being applied in similar land types and production systems. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile June 30 5.30pm

### **Mountain Landcare Meeting, Tumbarumba**

Mountain Landcare are holding their next meeting on Friday 30 June at 5.30pm at the Union Hotel. There will be a special guest speaker and all members of the community are welcome. For more information contact Rachael Daniel on 0428 992 607.


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 Date tile June 30 5.30pm

### **Sloane's Champions Spotlight Night, Corowa**

Sloane's Champions is a community survey and monitoring program in Corowa where you can help monitor the presence of the Sloanes froglet. At this Corowa District Landcare event you will hear from local frog expert David Hunter and look for frogs at the Whitehead St Wetlands. RSVP to Meredith Mitchell on 0475 455 643 or [meredithmitchell@corowalandcare.com.au](mailto:meredithmitchell@corowalandcare.com.au).


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 Date tile June 30 Orders close

### **Native Plant Giveaway, Corowa**

Corowa District Landcare invite members and residents of the Federation shire to place their orders for the annual native plant giveaway to help increase and protect habitat for grey crowned-babblers and other significant woodland birds within the region. Pick up at Urana 21st July and Corowa 22nd July. [Order here.](#)

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 Date tile July 2 9am to 11.30am

### **Brekky With The Lot, Burrumbuttock**

Join West Hume Landcare for breakfast followed by a bird walk, learn how to set up motion cameras and how to monitor Squirrel Glider nest boxes. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 2 Order now

### **Native Plant Giveaway, Burrumbuttock**

West Hume Landcare, Squirrel Glider LAMP Project and BirdLife Australia are running a Native Plant Giveaway for West Hume Landcare members and Project participants. There will be two opportunities to collect plants – Sunday 2 July (after our Brekky the Lot event) and Tuesday 4 July. [Order here.](#)


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 Date tile July 4 Tuesday

### **ESG Goals & Target Setting, Adelaide**

This Australian Farm Institute event will build on the Roundtable event held in October last year which focused on cultivating ESG (Environmental Social and Governance) capability in Australian agriculture. This event will focus on setting ESG goals and targets. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 6 3pm to 4pm

### **ChatGPT in Ag Extension, Online**

This Southern NSW Innovation Hub webinar will involve presenter Dr John James, Director of Enablers of Change, sharing his reflections and experiences in exploring the new technology ChatGPT. So, what does this mean for agricultural extension? Will ChatGPT add value to what we're already doing or will it be a massive disruptor? [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 17 to 19 Monday to Wednesday

### **Nature-Based Solutions Conference, Brisbane**

Hosted by Carbon Farmers of Australia this conference includes a soil carbon summit and presentations on carbon farming, trading and the carbon markets. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile July 18 10am to 2pm

### **Tree Planting Machine Demonstration, Conargo**

This event will involve demonstrating the Hay Plains Landcare tree planting machine towed by a tractor. Come along and observe the benefits of native vegetation and habitat corridors for production and conservation. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 18-20 Tuesday to Thursday

### **Vic No-Till Conference, Moama**

The theme for this year's conference is Tran\$ition 23 - Paths to Change. This 3 day conference will start with a Field day followed by a 2 day conference with keynote speaker Tim Parton, UK Arable Farmer & Farm Innovator of the Year and many more leading Australian farmer speakers. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 21 9am to 5.30pm

### **Irrigation Insights Conference, Moama**

Brought to you by Irrigated Cropping Council, Irrigation Insights is a collaborative, cross industry event which addresses the needs of grain, rice, cotton and dairy farmers in Northern Victoria and Southern NSW. Bringing researchers, experts, key thinkers and primary producers together to explore irrigated agriculture and learn how industries are tackling the big issues and opportunities facing irrigated agriculture. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile July 27 Online

## SWIFFT Seminars, Online

This State Wide Intergrated Flora and Fauna Team webinar will focus on the topic "agriculture supporting native flora & fauna". Attend to learn how modern-day agricultural enterprises can contribute to restoring and conserving biodiversity whilst gaining economic benefits. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile July 27 9am to 4pm

### Youth in Ag: Cultivate & Connect, Rutherglen

Riverine Plains presents this Youth in Ag event. The day will include a farm tour, mentoring workshop with lunch at The Pavilion Restaurant at Buller Wines. There will be networking opportunities not only with your peers, but with industry experts, in a structured mentoring session and a panel discussion. [Register here.](#)


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 Date tile August 7 to 13,  
Monday to Sunday

### Landcare Week - Be inspired, be a landcarer

Landcare Week is an annual celebration of landcare held during the first week of August to acknowledge the Australians who are actively restoring, enhancing and protecting the natural environment in their community. The theme for this year's Landcare Week is: 'Be inspired, be empowered, be a landcarer'. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile August 10 to 11,  
Thursday to Friday

### Australian Rice Growers' Conference, Griffith

The Australian Rice Growers' Conference is a highlight on the rice growers' calendar, showcasing and celebrating its people and the best the industry has to offer. Along with trade exhibits, innovative speakers, and a Gala Dinner, there is something for everyone in the rice growing, extended agriculture and agribusiness communities. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile August 13 to 15  
save the date

### Thriving Women 2023, Wagga Wagga

This years theme, Growing and Inspiring Women Connected through Agriculture, will focus on the critical role women play in the day-to-day operation of primary production, natural resource management and rural communities. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile August 18 to 19  
Save the date

### Australian Wildflower Conference, Moama

WildFlowers Australia is delighted to be hosting the 10th Australian Wildflower Conference at Echuca-Moama. Pre and post conference tours have been organised to provide valuable insights to how different wildflower farmers have succeeded while also allowing for further exchange and discussion around the topics discussed at the conference. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile August 24 to 25  
Save the date

### Riverine Plains Innovation Expo

The Riverine Plains Innovation Expo is for farmers, researchers, agronomists, students or anyone who works in the agriculture industry. Network with experts in the field, learn about new products and services, and gain insights into the future of the industry. [Find out more here.](#)

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 Date tile October 11 to 12  
Save the date

### Digital Agri Food Summit, Wagga Wagga

This year's theme 'Paddock to Profit' will demonstrate how digitally driven insights, systems and tools are helping Australian farmers increase value across the supply chain. Real-world case studies will establish what we have achieved, while expert speakers will explore what lies ahead. [Find out more here.](#)

 Section Header: Funding Opportunities

## Macpac Fund For Good

### Applications Close 30 June

Cash or gear grants to non-profit organisations whose core focus is long-term positive impact around the protection, regeneration or monitoring of native flora or fauna; or providing adventure-based learning, therapy, or environmental education; or supporting Indigenous community projects focused on either of the above. [Find out more here.](#)

## Rural Recovery Authority Grant

### Applications Close 30 June

Flood and storm-impacted primary producers and landholders have until 30 June 2023 to apply for a number of Rural Assistance Authority grants. This includes the Special Disaster Grants, Rural Landholder Grants and the Critical Producer Grant made available in response to storm and flood disaster events that occurred throughout 2022. [Find out more here.](#)

## Junior Rangers, National Indigenous Australians Agency

### Applications Close 19 July

This open, competitive grant opportunity will select providers to deliver junior ranger activities at up to 35 new sites in 2023 to end 2025. Initial funding agreements will be for up to three (3) years and may be extended. Preference will be given to local First Nations providers, including Indigenous Ranger Groups or First Nations providers with relationships with Indigenous Ranger Groups, where relevant. Applicants should also demonstrate support from Traditional Owners and partner schools to deliver activities. [Find out more here.](#)

## Carbon Farming Outreach Program

### Applications Close 24 July

The Carbon Farming Outreach Program provides up to \$17.5 million over 3 years to deliver training and advice to farmers to integrate low emission technologies and practices into their farming operations and land management practices. Grants between \$1 million and \$17.5 million covering up to 100% of eligible project expenditure are available. [Find out more here.](#)

## Trees for Bees Community Tree Grants, When Bee Foundation

### Applications Close 31 July

The Carman's Trees for Bees Community Tree Grants support the planting of bee-friendly trees in extended gardens, community-owned land, school grounds, sporting club precincts and urban corridors. The program provides funding to community groups and organisations to increase vital habitat, providing spaces for bees to forage, live and breed. [Find out more here.](#)

## People with Purpose Grant, INIKA Organic

### Applications Close 9 August

People with Purpose is an INIKA Organic initiative to recognise, support and celebrate our unsung community heroes who are doing incredible things in sustainability, environmental protection or animal welfare. The 2023 Person with Purpose will receive a \$10,000 grant to further invest in their cause. [Find out more here.](#)

## Support Plantation Establishment 2023-24 Grant

### Applications Close 15 August

Provided by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry this grant supports the establishment of new long-rotation plantation forests and assists the sector in responding to the projected growth in demand for local timber resources, increasing domestic timber supply and helping to reduce Australia's carbon emissions by storing the carbon in timber. [Find out more here.](#)

## Community Event Grants, National Centre for Farmer Health

### Applications Close 31 August

Grants of up to \$1,500 are available for local groups, not-for-profit organisations and individuals who wish to boost farmers' mental health and wellbeing. Funding is available for community events planned for 2023 to help health and wellbeing of farmers and farm families impacted by the floods and flood recovery. [Find out more here.](#)

## NAB Foundation Community Grants

### Applications Now Open

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for projects that help communities prepare for natural disasters, support long-term recovery and build resilience to future disasters and climate change. Projects must be completed within 12 months. [Find out more here.](#)

## Conservation Partners Grant, Biodiversity Conservation Trust

### Applications Now Open

Grants of up to \$15,000 per year for up to three years for landholders with an eligible conservation agreement to assist in managing their conservation area, allowing them to improve the biodiversity value of their properties. [Find out more here.](#)

## Community Support Program, Essential Energy

### Applications Now Open


The Community Support stream of funding offers grants to community groups who make a difference in their local community. Eligible organisations must be located within Essential Energy's network area and provide support to communities within our network area and are a charity, not-for-profit/non-profit organisation, NGO or community group/event. [Find out more here.](#)


## Farm Participation in Farming for the Future

### Applications Now Open

Farming for the Future are offering farmers the opportunity to take part in a national research project gathering evidence about the value of natural capital to Australian farmers. Through the project, eligible farms who are selected to participate will have natural capital accounts prepared for their farm at no cost. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Section Header: Training and Courses

 Date tile EOI Closes 30 June


### PROGRAZE Training, Expression of Interest

Murray Local Land Services is currently taking expressions of interest to develop PROGRAZE groups across the region. Groups will be formed in local areas based on registered interest. PROGRAZE consists of 8 x 1/2 day workshops held 4-6 weeks apart, on participants properties, with in-paddock activities and discussion for hands-on learning and skill development. Expressions of interest close June 30. [Find out more here.](#)

 Date tile July 19 9am to 4pm

### Rural First Aid Training, Barnawartha

Incidents can occur in a range of circumstances in your community, unfortunately help might be further away that you might need. Develop first aid skills and improve the safety of your family, friends and community. This course is fully funded by Australian Red Cross and includes a morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for participants. [Register here.](#)


 Date tile 24-25 June  
Saturday and Sunday

### Working Dog Training Day, Deniliquin



The Deni Yard Dog Association are holding a working dog training weekend for dogs and handlers of all abilities at the Deniliquin Showgrounds. Contact Marc Braybon on 0419 625 815.

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 Date tile July August 7.30pm to 9pm

### **Making Biofertilisers on Farm,**

Soil Land Food present a 5 session online course exploring how to make cultures, biostimulants and biofertilisers on farm using a range of methods. This course will cover manufacturing biologicals on farm at different scales. A free workbook with open source recipes and an Action Plan will be provided as well. Cost \$300.

[Register here.](#)

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 Date tile July to November, 8.30am to 4.30pm

### **Holistic Management Training, Albury**

The 8 day Holistic Management course covers Allan Savory's core thinking for managing holistically including the nature of our environment, context and decision making, holistic grazing, financial planning, ecological monitoring, and an introduction to Land Planning. Cost \$2,420. [Find out more here.](#)

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**Session 1** - July 26 to 27

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**Session 2** - August 16 to 17


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**Session 3** - September 6 to 7

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**Session 4** - November 1 to 2

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 Date tile August 15, various dates

### **Reboot Your Grazing Series, Online**

Join one of Australia's leading grazing specialists, Dr Judi Earl, along with agroecologist David Hardwick from Soil Land Food, for this online 7 part course from Soil Land Food. Course content includes; Your grazing landscape, What ruminants need, Your grazing plan and a Q&A session. Cost \$600. [Register here.](#)

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 Date tile June to September, various dates

### **Chemical Accreditation Courses, SpraySmart**

Training in pesticides use is required under the Pesticides Regulation 2017. Enrolments are now open for online and face to face training in the following locations. Cost \$295 - \$350. [Find out more here.](#)

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**Tumut** - Thursday, 20 July

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**Jerilderie** - Tuesday, 15 August

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**Berrigan** - Wednesday, 16 August


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**Deniliquin** - Thursday, 17 August

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**Albury** - Tuesday, 12 September


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 Date tile August 2 to 8, Wednesday to Tuesday

### **Farming & Grazing for Profit, Albury**

This 6.5 day course from Resource Consulting Services is a long running agricultural management school conducted in rural Australia. Attendees will graduate this course with the knowledge and practical skills to transform their business with proven management principles that empower people, increase profitability, improve soil & plant health, maximise productivity, and optimise livestock nutrition & reproduction. Cost \$2,750 - \$5,000. [Find out more here.](#)


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 Date tile August 15 to 17, Tuesday to Thursday

### **Grazing Clinic, Barham**

Western Murray Land Improvement Group have organised a 2.5 day course delivered by RCS to help landholders prepare their enterprise for challenging growing conditions and remain productive during dry times. Topics covered include Ecology, soils and plants, Grazing principles, Grazing - drought and flood management, Planning, Time control grazing and Economics. Cost ranges from \$250 to \$1,650. [Register here](#).


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 Date tile August 16 starting date

### **Your Regenerative Journey Webinar Series, Online**

Charlie Arnott is running an 8 week regenerative agriculture webinar series with industry experts on a series of topics: Nicole Masters - soil health, Katie Zerner - visions and goals, Stuart Andrews - landscape function, Dr Cherie Gooding - animal health, Cyndi O'meara - human health, Kim Deans - holistic farm finance, Brian Whelburg - grazing management and finishing with a panel discussion. Cost ranges from \$495-\$605. [Find out more here](#).


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 Date tile 10 to 11 September Saturday to Sunday

### **Mental Health First Aid Course, Tocumwal**

About 1 in 4 Australians experience a common mental illness each year. Standard Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training helps mobilise and empower adults in the workplace and community by equipping them with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to recognise, understand and respond to another adult experiencing a mental health problem or mental health crisis. Cost - free. [Register here](#).

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 Date tile 13 to 14 September Wednesday and Thursday

### **Governance for Social Impact, Melbourne**

Moving beyond the essential legal and financial responsibilities of Board Directors, this course will provide an in-depth examination of the importance of governance to achieve maximum social impact for your organisation. [Find out more here](#).


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 Date tile, EOI now open

### **Towards 90 Lamb Survival Training, Holbrook**

Holbrook Landcare Network in collaboration with Jim from JM Livestock are currently seeking interest from farmers to participate in the Towards 90 (T90) training. The T90 program aims to assist producers achieve over 90% lamb survival across single and twin bearing ewes, through best practice. To find out more about T90 [click here](#). If you are interested in participating in the training contact Jess Armstrong at Holbrook Landcare Network on [jessarmstrong@holbrooklandcare.org.au](mailto:jessarmstrong@holbrooklandcare.org.au) or 0498 683 152.

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 Online now

### **Monitoring Your Farm With Agtech**

The Certificate of Agricultural Marketing is an online professional development program that will develop your ability to analyse and manage marketing problems in an agricultural enterprise. Topics include agricultural marketing concepts, farm marketing objectives and strategies, and customer relations in terms of maximising service and communications. [Find out more here](#).

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 Online now

### **Recovery Exercising Toolkit, Online**

Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience has developed a toolkit to help communities recover from natural disasters. This toolkit contains a suite of modules that focus on important recovery issues, identified through lessons from recent disasters and evidence-based research. The modules contain foundational concepts and links to helpful resources to provide a base level of understanding that will equip participants to undertake further recovery planning and action. [Find out more here](#).

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## Feedlot TECH Courses, Online

The Feedlot TECH Training Hub provides access to online training covering core practical feedlot skills that can be completed at any time or location and can be easily integrated into daily operations and onsite training. [Find out more here.](#)

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 Section Header: Scholarships and Awards

### Australia Rural Leadership Program

#### Applications Close 2 July

The Australian Rural Leadership Program is a 15-month leadership development course for individuals committed and ready to respond to regional, rural and remote Australia's most complex challenges and biggest opportunities. The program is unique in its challenge-based and experiential approach to learning. Participants immerse themselves in experiences and networks remaining indispensable for most throughout the rest of their careers and life. [Find out more here.](#)

### BirdLife Australia Photography Awards

#### Entries Close 1 August

Entries are now being taken for the annual BirdLife Australia Photography Awards competition. This year's special theme is *Wading Waterbirds of Australian Floodplains*. Other categories include Bird Portrait, Birds in Flight, Bird Behaviour, Backyard Birds, Human Impact and Birds in the Landscape. [Find out more here.](#)

### Wonderful Worms: Competition for Schools, Soil Week Australia

#### Entries Close 15 September

The Healthy Soils competition is open, with categories for both primary and secondary schools to enter. There are lots of great prizes, and it's a fun way for students to learn more about worms and the world under our feet! Entries can come from individual students, small groups or classes, and homeschool students are encouraged to enter. [Find out more here.](#)

### Awards for Excellence in Southern Australian Livestock Industries

#### Nominations Now Open

Southern Australia Livestock Research Council (SALRC) is calling for nominations for the 2023 Awards for Excellence in Southern Australian Livestock Industries. The awards identify, recognise, reward and celebrate excellence in the contributions of individuals in the red meat and livestock industries. [Find out more here.](#)

### 2024 Scholarships, Marcus Oldham College Victoria

#### Applications now open

Scholarships are now open for all first-year undergraduate courses (Agribusiness, Agriculture and Equine Business Management) for 2024 at Marcus Oldham College. A number of scholarships available for each of the undergraduate courses. [Find out more here.](#)

### AgCAREERSTART Farmer Hosts

#### Applications now open

The National Farmers' Federation (NFF) is looking for enthusiastic farmers across Australia to participate as employers and hosts for young Australians participating in the AgCAREERSTART program. [Find out more here.](#)

## Healthy and Sustainable Agricultural Communities Scholarship

### Applications Now Open

The National Centre for Farmer Health provide a limited number of scholarships to financially assist students who would like to undertake further study in the area of Agricultural Health and Medicine. Scholarships are open twice yearly to applicants who enrol in core units HMF701 (Agricultural Health and Medicine) and/or HMF702 (Healthy and Sustainable Agricultural Communities) either as part of their Graduate Certificate in Agricultural Health and Medicine, or as an elective at Deakin University or other universities post-graduate course. [Apply here](#).

## Diploma of Governance Scholarship

### Applications Now Open

The Institute of Community Directors Australia, Diploma of Governance is the only diploma-level course specifically designed for the not-for-profit sector. \$1000 scholarships are now available to allow prospective students to apply immediately with decisions made on eligibility within 10 business days of submission. [Find out more here](#).

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## Postdoctoral Researcher - Freshwater Turtle Conservation, Albury

### Applications Close 3 July

This position is based at the LaTrobe University Albury/Wodonga campus. The successful applicant will drive and develop field research projects aimed at monitoring turtle populations and testing methods to protect freshwater turtle nests at sites managed by the project partners, four of which are within 1 hour drive of Wodonga. [Find out more here](#).

## Join the Murray Dairy Board

### Expressions of Interest Close 6 July

The Murray Dairy Board is seeking directors to fill three upcoming vacancies (two farmer Directors and one specialist skills Director) to formally commence in October 2023. An independent selection committee has been tasked with overseeing the recruitment process. Murray Dairy encourages a diversity of applications for the advertised positions. [Find out more here](#).

## Rice Industry Graduate Program

### Applications Close 7 July

The RGA are offering two unique Rice Industry Graduate programs in 2023. The role's will work closely with industry experts and be an active part of the team at each host organisation. This is a program developed for recent University Graduates to earn and learn about the Australian Rice Industry. [Find out more here](#).

**Research, Development and Extension Graduate Program:** Located in Rural and Regional Areas with opportunity to attend Industry Conferences.

**Agribusiness and Policy Graduate Program:** Located in Regional and Metropolitan Areas with opportunity to attend Industry Conferences.

## Chief Executive Officer, Riverine Plains Inc

### Applications Open

Riverine Plains Inc prides itself on farmer-driven, on-the-ground research, and extension to directly benefit their members. They are an independent farming systems group dedicated to improving the productivity of broadacre farming and livestock systems in north-east Victoria and southern New South Wales. The Chief Executive Officer role will focus on business management to deliver on the ground benefits to members and lead Riverine Plains Inc to consolidate its' growth strategy while retaining its grounded focus on quality systems and member value. [Apply here](#).

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## Podcast icon Podcast - The Business of Farming

The Business of Farming is a podcast about all things business in the farming industry. Hosted by Cath Jenkins (Brolga Co) & Bec Casey from Nature of Business. A new episode of The Business of Farming is published every fortnight and discusses topics that take a deep dive into what it means to launch and run a successful farming business. [Listen here](#).

## Report icon Agricultural Soil Sustainability and Carbon Management

This book prioritises the multifunctional value of soil systems, addressing links between soil health, carbon sustainability, biodiversity and climate change. It also provides best management practices for sustainable carbon management under different cropping systems and ecosystems and explains the carbon mechanism and application methodology relating to food production. [Read more here](#).

## Tools icon Revegetation Guide Survey

The Holbrook Landcare Network (HLN) in partnership with Murrumbidgee Landcare are delivering the Landcare Led Resilience project. A key component of this is to deliver a climate-ready refresh of the South West Slopes Revegetation Guide and the Native Vegetation Guide for the Riverina. To help do this, HLN is seeking feedback from practitioners and Landcare workers these guides. [Complete the survey here](#).

## Podcast icon Leasing and Agistment Toolkit, Department of Primary

### Industries

Ready to dive into the world of leasing? Explore the DPI leasing and agistment toolkit and the essential steps and factors in determining the perfect lease value. Learn practical techniques to make informed decisions for your farming business. [Read more here](#).

## Podcast icon Dispersive Soil Management Manual

Soil constraints such as dispersion have an annual yield penalty costing billions in lost income across eastern Australia. This GRDC produced manual on managing dispersive soils in the northern region (including NSW Murray) presents a framework for growers and advisers to practically and economically manage dispersive soils. [Read more here](#).

## Podcast icon Digital soil mapping of key soil properties over NSW

Digital soil mapping helps inform on vital soil conditions throughout the state and assist in the ongoing sustainable management and protection of these important resources. This report presents digital soil maps over NSW for a range of key soil properties, derived using quantitative modelling techniques. The properties covered include soil organic carbon, pH, cation exchange capacity, sum-of-bases, available phosphorous, bulk density, clay, sand and silt. [Read more here](#).

## Podcast icon **Plan Bee Fact Sheet, Agrifutures Australia**

Plan Bee is a national program designed to boost the quality of Australia's honey bee stocks through genetic improvement. Researchers participating in the program have been working hard to build a national database of our genetic pool, an activity that has seen breeders from all major beekeeping states submit data into the program. [Read more here.](#)

## T **PestFacts Webinar - Aphid Update**

Brought to you by Pestfacts south-eastern, join the Cesar Australia team for a webinar focusing on broadacre crop aphids in south-eastern Australia. [Watch here.](#)

## T **Recordings from River Reflections Conference**

The annual Murray Darling Basin Authority River Reflections Conference was held on 14 and 15 June in Narrabri NSW. River reflections is about connecting communities, industries and ideas in water management and sharing knowledge, innovation and celebrating achievements in water reform. The conference was live streamed and recorded. [Watch here.](#)

## T **Southern NSW Innovation Hub Webinar Recordings**

Watch recordings of previous webinars delivered by the Southern NSW Innovation Hub. The Expanded Horizons webinar series introduces you to speakers from a range of industries, backgrounds and passions as we all look for novel thinking and new ideas. [Watch here.](#)

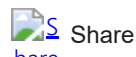
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