



Harden Murrumburrah Landcare Group

Envirogrants—close 23 June, 2003

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The Federal Government has recently called for applications in a new round of **Envirogrants**. This funding is for small projects aimed at conserving biodiversity and sustainable resource use to a maximum of \$30,000.

Harden Murrumburrah Landcare Group (HMLG) would like to offer members within the Jugiong Creek Catchment the opportunity to undertake a small on-ground project tackling local problems. ***The Envirofund will provide up to one dollar for every dollar or in kind equivalent contributed by the applicant. Funding provides up to \$1,600/km for fencing and up to \$1.00 for trees & guards.***

If you would like to participate please contact me for an application form, conditions of funding include

- the distance being fenced kilometres and hectares
- What management issues your revegetation is aiming to resolve
- A mud map of the site; should show flow lines, recharge & discharge zones and planned activity,
- A minimum standard of fencing is required
- Technical advice can be sort form Chris Howarth (69424977)Cootamundra , Finn Martin 63 825833 (Young) or Brad Parker (6226 1433) Yass—Department of Sustainable Natural Resources
- Funding is for native trees & shrubs as recommended in Greening the Grainbelt Species List
- The project may be audited to ensure that work is carried out as applied for
- You must sign a Fencing Management Agreement , copy will be attached to your application form
- Works must be completed within twelve months of received funding.
- **Applications will not be accepted after Monday 23 June, 2003**
- Funding should be announced in November activities to be undertaken in 2004
- Fencing & other activities will need to be covered by your own public liability policy and workers compensation.

Drought Seminar—

HMLG, NSW Agriculture, Harden District Advisory Service & Chandlers Landmark

Wednesday 11 June, 2003

Galong Hall

3.30/5.30pm

Speakers include:

■ **Phil Graham:** Sheep & Wool Officer, NSW Agriculture, ewes & lambs nutrition requirements etc

■ **Greg Meaker,** Beef Cattle Officer, NSW Agriculture—Cattle requirements

■ **Tim Condon,** Chandlers Landmark & **Fiona Leach,** Agronomist, NSW Agriculture, 'Management of grazing crops, changing your cropping program, pasture management etc.

■ **Andrew Baker,** Harden District Rural Advisory Service ' Talk to the Bank Manager—Finance requirements"

■ **Noel Trevaskis,** 'Winning over depression, knowing the signs in yourself & others'

■ **Jim Wright,** Harden District Rural Advisory Service, "Feed available and costs involved"

Please let your neighbours know about this information afternoon, all most welcome.

Afternoon tea available & bring raincoats and gumboots they need the outing!!!!



Greening the Grainbelt Drought replacement Trees & Shrubs

HMLG has successfully gained \$5,200 for purchase of replacement tree & shrubs lost in the current drought.

If you have lost a number of trees and would like to apply for assistance with replacing them.

Please give me a call for an application form before 8 June, 2003

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Mount Bobbara Project

Binalong Landcare Group have undertaken the massive project of revegetating parts of Mount Bobbara. Although the project has not been as successful as envisaged a number of trees and shrubs have been established on the selected sites. The biggest problem for the group has been the constant attack the trees have been under from kangaroos and other sources of fodder have disappeared. The community of Binalong has supported this project with enthusiasm and large number on planting days have showed this. Binalong Landcare Group has resolved to plant replacements and erect a more substantial fence later in the year. If you would like to more information about this project please contact Sean Robinson.



Please advise me your email address if you connect to the internet makes communication so much easier & cheaper

Fox Baiting

HMLG are supporting the Rural Lands Protection Board currently undertaking a coordinated fox baiting program across the Shire. You are asked to please contact your footrot control group Coordinator to order baits, by **7 June, 2003**. Once numbers are confirmed, a date will be set aside for collection within your group.

This 'Outfox the Fox' is targeting juvenile foxes, in March/April foxes are dispersing and seeking their own territory. With the heavy impact of twice yearly baiting, the fox population should not recover quickly as foxes only breed once a year. This is not to deter those of you already baiting at times suitable to you., just compliment.

HMLG urges your participation in this project and assist reduce the increasing numbers of foxes across the Harden Shire. Control is far more effective if you can link with your neighbours with placement and timing of baiting, why not consider encourage them to join your campaign.

If you require any further information please contact either

Simon Pavitt 63868214 or Ron Duggan 63821255

Murrumbidgee Catchment Blueprint is now available—this document is the NSW State Government guide to addressing natural resource degradation issues which face out catchment.

Support for Drought affected farmers

- Interim Income Support
 - Interest Rate Relief Stock support & recovery assistance
 - Stock & fodder transport 50% rebate
- Contact Young Rural Lands or Centrelink

Please Note

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Murrumburrah High School Farm Club is undertaking a planting program to provide shade to stock within the school grounds. You will have read of the school recent success showing their cattle at the Royal Easter Show. The students have asked if anyone has some old unused mesh field bin they would be happy to donate to the students to use as tree guards?

Ripper - If you are planting trees this spring. HMLG has purchased a three point linkage ripper to assist members with their tree planting success. The ripper is being stored at Alcorns Fertilizer Cost \$22.00