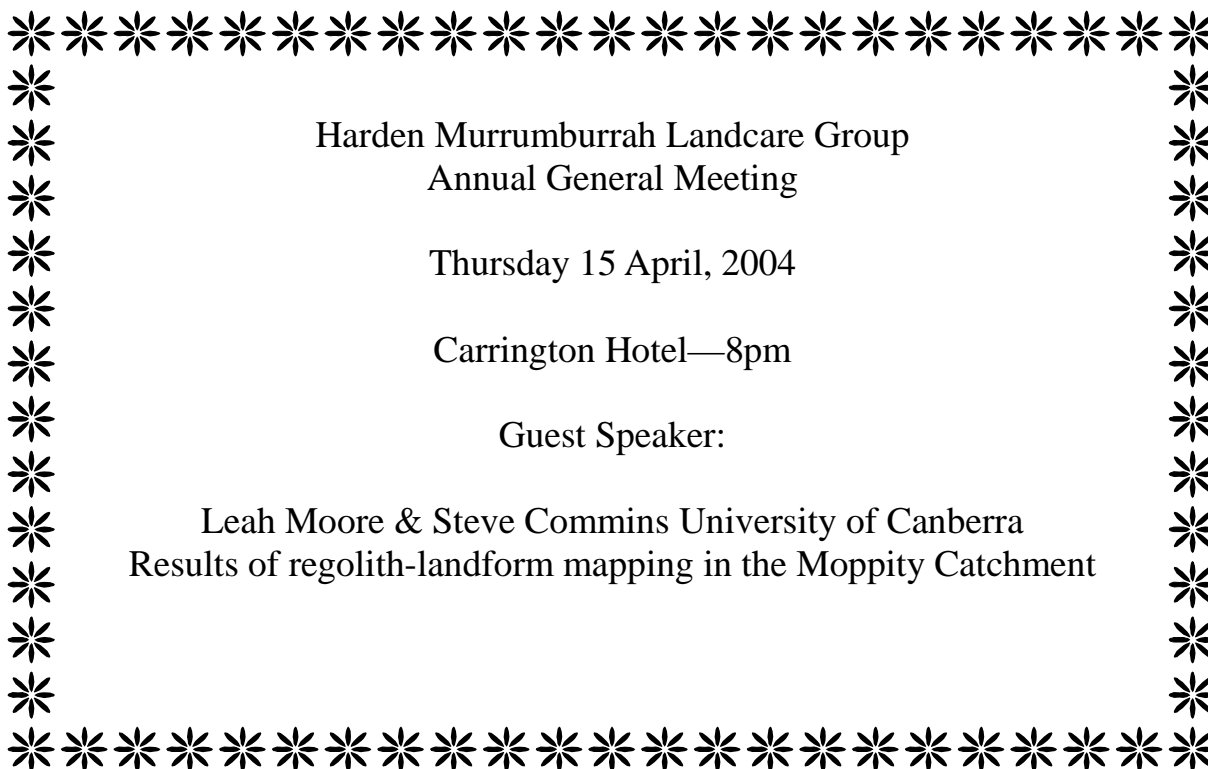


# Harden Murrumburrah Landcare Newsletter

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Harden Murrumburrah Landcare Group  
Annual General Meeting

Thursday 15 April, 2004

Carrington Hotel—8pm

Guest Speaker:

Leah Moore & Steve Commins University of Canberra  
Results of regolith-landform mapping in the Moppity Catchment

Your attendance is encouraged at either AGM's to set the direction and agenda of the groups for the coming 12 months. The various committees need to know they have support for the variety of projects be undertaken from membership.

Substantial changes are expected in natural resource management from the State and Federal governments with the establishment of Murrumbidgee Catchment Management Authority

Binalong Landcare

AGM

Monday 19 April, 2004

Binalong Hall

7.30pm

Contact details for HMLG Community Support Officer

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## Jugiong Catchment Targeted Salinity and Water Quality Works

This project will implement on-ground measures to reduce salinity loads into subcatchments flowing into Jugiong Creek. Jugiong Creek is one of 12 priority subcatchments of the Murrumbidgee identified as contributing high concentrations of salt, nutrients' & turbidity to the Murrumbidgee. Initial planning has occurred in Douglas, Limestone, Boorowa Flats, Spring & Barwang subcatchments (Galong area)

On-ground works will focus on increasing the area of perennial pastures & vegetation, rehabilitate saline discharge sites and degraded beds and banks of streams, manage stock access and install some off-stream watering points where applicable build gully & stream bank erosion control works.

At a recent meeting in Galong a subcommittee of Don Constable, David Cusack & Neil McColl were nominated to manage this project with support from HMLG, NSW Agriculture & DIPNR.

This project needs to be approved at AGM.

## FarmLink

FarmLink was officially launched in March. FarmLink have successfully obtained funding for 3 priority research issues as identified by members

- Canola yield decline
- Rotations for mixed farm systems including grazing wheats
- Subsoil constraints
- Support is also available to local grower groups for any trial work that we may wish to undertake.

If you have any projects you would like to see undertaken please do not hesitate to contact any local members of the Committee, your agronomist or FarmLink manager research & communications

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### Tree orders

Those of you planning to plant this Spring, your orders should be placed with suppliers asap

### Drainage project

#### Across the fenceline

The web site is in final testing and I expect to be able to forward the site address by the end of the month. If you are interested in assisting with testing ie downloading ability etc please email me and I will forward the address  
louiseh@dragnet.com.au

**Monitoring in stream EC** in the Cunningham Creek has been undertaken for the past twelve months, our thanks to Mark O'Connor, Maree Stewart, Jim & Jan Ryan, John McGrath & Genine Clark

The results of that project will be presented by the Bureau of Rural Sciences at the June meeting.

Monthly monitoring is now being undertaken in the Berramangra, Spring, Connaughtmans & Moppity Creeks to establish a benchmark on current stream EC levels.

**Phoenix Training Course.** Phoenix is a farm financial management package. This course will give you the processes, understanding and shortcuts to streamline the use of Phoenix. If you would be interested in attending a Phoenix training course in the Harden area within the next few months, could you please contact Julia at the HAC Office to register (63862570). The cost is \$143 per day per person, or \$44 per day per person if you are a grain producer.

A few members have expressed interested in attending a very advanced Phoenix training course if available. Anyone interested in attending a very advanced course which may include power budgets, please contact Julia at the HAC Office. (63862570)