



HEALESVILLE \* CHUMCREEK \* YARRA GLEN \* BADGERCREEK \* STEELSCREEK \* TARRAWARRA \* TOOLANGI

*We wish to acknowledge The Wurundjeri People, the traditional custodians of our region, and all Aboriginal Elders, past and present.*

### Up Coming Events

#### **Fri 28 April**

Autumn Waterbugs Survey, Grace Burn, from 9 am with Mt Toolebewong & District Landcare.

#### **Sun 7 May**

Healesville Our Future Climate and Its Impacts on Us. The Memo, 1.30 -4.30 pm. Register via Eventbrite. Dr David Karoly is the guest speaker, provided by Healesville Community Emergency Group

#### **Sun 7 May**

YRC Billabong Walk, Murrup Brarn, Yarra Glen. 2-4 pm. Book via council website.

#### **Tues 10 May**

HCoRE webinar, 7.30 – 9 pm, various local presenters

#### **Thurs 11 May**

HEWI Committee Meeting, 7.30 pm via Zoom

#### **Tuesday 16 May**

Child Safe Standards council webinar online, 6.30 – 8.30 pm. All members with WWCC should attend this update as standards changed last July. Registration is required.

#### **Sun 28 May**

21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Planting, Coronation Park, Healesville. 9.30 – noon. RSVP for catering to [admin@hewi.org.au](mailto:admin@hewi.org.au). Free morning tea at 9.30, short speech at 10 am followed by planting. BYO cup for a drink and gloves.

#### **Sun 28 May**

2-4 pm, The Memo. Bob Brown documentary "The Giants". Free afternoon tea. Tickets at Memo prices.

#### **Mon 5 June – World Environment**

**Day** "Platypus in Healesville" by Karen, Healesville Library. 2 – 3pm, free cuppa.

#### **All of June - HEWI Library Display – Healesville.**

#### **Tues 20 June**

Healesville Primary School planting at Wirrup Yaluk, from 9.30 am. Current Working with Children Card required by all volunteers.

*We hope all members are adapting to the cold weather- some of us are very pleased to have full water tanks. As you can see from our list of events, there's a lot happening in our area over the next few months of interest to members.*

### Council Grants

The committee has been successful in receiving another four year YRC Community Partnerships grant from July 2023 until June 2027. This grant will be for \$6000 per year. As well as delivering activities in the Ryrie Ward, we will be extending our educational activities into the O'Shannassy Ward in conjunction with local community groups there whose aims align with ours.

We will deliver our final activity for our current grant by 20 June, which is the day of our planting morning with Healesville Primary School, Melbourne Water, the Yarra Ranges Council Bushland Team and Cummins Filtration. We will celebrate 10 years of Cummins helping us care for our local waterways.

### Healesville Home Grown Food Fair

We had a stall at this event on a Sunday 2 April, and Karen lead a nature walk around Coronation Park discussing the revegetation and platypus. Many thanks to Bob for coming to help set up and stay for most of the morning, and Bronwyn for being at the stall while the walk was on, and helping take down. We had 30 visitors, and handed out information about us, HCoRE and weed and native plant brochures.

### Autumn Waterbugs

We welcome new volunteers to help us survey the invertebrates in the Grace Burn on Friday 28 April. Sampling usually commences at 8.30 am and if we have enough volunteers, we do two sites. Samples are taken to the Art Room of the HLLC for analysis and uploading to Melbourne Water. Free morning tea and training provided.

### 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Planting Sunday 28 May

Another great milestone that we will be celebrating is the 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Planting at Coronation Park with the Lions Club, Melbourne Water and Yarra Ranges Council. We hope that all of the groups who have planted in the park join us to visit their sites, and that they and community members plant the new site by River St. RSVP required for catering, and members are needed to help with our display and morning tea.

### New Safe Child Standards

In order to maintain our duty of care to our young volunteers and activity participants, we must abide by the new standards, which came into effect on 1 July 2022. We urge all members with or without WWC accreditation to attend the free council webinar on 16 May. Our members, who are also in a landcare group, may take advantage of the free LVI session on 26 April.

### YRC free First Aid training

Members who need to gain, or refresh, their certificate are urged to register for the Monbulk session on Saturday 27 May, 9 – 4 pm. Book via council's website.

### June events

In June we will celebrate World Environment Day with a talk about local platypus at the Healesville Library. Join Karen for the presentation and a free cuppa from 2 pm. Please book via the library. Our annual display will also be set up for the whole month – come and have a look and enter the competition!

### Our Rules

Over the past year we have had a sub-committee looking at our current 2006 Rules and comparing them to the 2012 Model Rules for Associations. At our April meeting the committee agreed to recommend to members that we replace our 2006 Rules with the 2012 Model Rules, so that we act according to best practice. All members will receive a detailed email soon about this, and be given until the May meeting to ask questions and indicate if they are in favour. Once this feedback has been received, a Special Meeting will be convened via Zoom. Proxy voting will be permitted.

### Objection to Badgers Brook application

We have submitted a detailed objection to the application YR 2022/562 by Badgers Brook Winery for a retrospective permit for the erection of playground structures, one marquee and increase to the playground area.

### Plight of Our Faunal Emblems Exhibition

There's a great exhibition on now until Sunday 28 May at the Yarra Ranges Regional Museum, Lilydale about the Leadbeater's Possum and Helmeted Honeyeater. Well worth a visit!

### Electrify Everything - Solar and Batteries

Thursday 20 April 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Presented by Ian Moxon, a sustainability consultant and facilitator with 15 years experience in the sustainability field. The webinar will cover how solar power and battery systems works, buying good quality solar and battery products, what to look for in a solar and battery quote, how to find a good installer and how government rebates works.

<https://www.manningham.vic.gov.au/events/electrify-everything-solar-and-batteries>

### Eco-friendly Periods - Online Workshop

Monday 1 May 7.30am to 9.00pm

Join Elana from Cloth Nappy Workshops Melbourne who will take you through the different reusable menstrual products and how to decide which one suits your needs, budget and body. She will discuss washable cloth pads, menstrual discs and cups, and absorbent period underwear, and how to use and wash them, so you can avoid spending money at the shops each month. A Zoom link will be provided once registration is complete.

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## CORONATION PARK

### 21st Anniversary **planting**

Join the Healesville Lions Club, Yarra Ranges Council and Healesville Environment Watch Inc to celebrate 21 years of revegetating the Watts River at Coronation Park.

Community groups and schools who have participated in past planting are invited to visit their original sites, and all community members are invited to help plant.

**SUNDAY 28 MAY**  
9.30AM TO NOON

CORONATION PARK  
RIVER ST  
HEALESVILLE

9:30am Morning tea and registration  
10am Welcome from Cr Fiona McAllister, HEWI and the Lions Club  
10:10am Planting commences

BYO cup for a drink and gloves  
RSVP: Friday 26 May  
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