

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

News in Brief

Ethical Investment forum

Adam Carey of Ethical Investment Services will present 'investing in a better world' What a genuine ethical investment looks like, what it would include and not include. is Emerald > **Tuesday October 2nd at 10 am Emerald Library**

Magical Mystery Afternoon Tea

Seniors' Launch: Join Councillors and staff of Yarra Ranges to enjoy afternoon tea at a fun event. Connect with others from our amazing community and have some laughs. Celebrate the contribution of our wise elders and those who are ageless & young at heart. Wear something red for energy, celebration and enthusiasm. Rubies, red socks and red hats are all welcomed. [Click here to purchase tickets!](#)

> **Thursday, 4 October 2018 2:00PM to 4:00PM**

Yering Meadows Golf Club, 178-180 Victoria Road, Yering

Back To The Billabong - Murrup Braun

Organised by the Northern Yarra Landcare Network with displays, kid's events, and natural history (plants, frogs, birds) walks and talks. Register for details and map. <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/back-to-the-billabong-landcare-event-tickets-49126081432>

> **Sunday, 7 October, from 10am. Yarra Flats Billabong Yarra Glen**

(HEWI members were involved in revegetation both before and after the 2009 fires)

Landcare People's Choice Award Coranderrk Rejuvenation!

Wandooon Estate Aboriginal Corporation (WEAC) is in the running to win an Australian Government Partnership for Landcare Award! In the past five years, we have held two festivals, subdivided and fenced the 80-hectare river flats, sunk a bore and installed water troughs in each paddock, planted almost 20,000 trees and hosted visits from numerous groups.

WE NEED YOUR VOTE! If you can spare a few minutes, vote through link below. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/966VL2K> Closes **October 10**

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A warm HEWI welcome to new members Bob and Karen R!

After a 12-year partnership with HEWI, including the establishment of our office and storage space, our Healesville Living and Learning Centre CEO, Karen Kisala, has retired. This has been a most appreciated, formative relationship and your committee has expressed our gratitude and deep appreciation of Karen's personal skills as well as the constant support for our activities. We wish her a slightly more relaxed retirement!

Welcome to Jenny Barton, our new CEO, who has already expressed her support for our continuing affiliation and possibly combined projects in the future.

ORCHID SURVEY

This will be our first Spring survey of this little-known reserve in Juliet Avenue, Healesville. Our guide will be Karen Garth who has been surveying this beautiful wildflower site for the last few years with Mt Toolebewong & District Landcare members so a list of plants can be provided upon request. There are no formed paths, just tracks, and it is on a slight hill. Sturdy footwear required. Join us with your cameras and hand lenses (HEWI has a few for loan), your hat, sunscreen and water. There will be a refreshing cuppa at the end of the walk so bring a foldup chair, mug and snack. RSVP essential: contact Karen 5962 5115 or gbfacilitator@gmail.com with your contact number for the day. If inclement weather, we will postpone.

> **Saturday OCT. 6 1.30-3.00pm Juliet Ave Bushland Reserve, 4-6 Juliet Ave**

LIVING WITH FIRE - HEALESVILLE Community Forum & Expo FREE "Sustainable Co-existence with Bushfire"

This is a timely and most important event for our Calendars. Devised by our community's Bushfire Safer Together Group for anyone living in Healesville and the surrounding region, those interested in bushfire awareness or those seeking a better understanding of their bushfire risk and how best to prepare for the upcoming bushfire season.

Keynote speaker will be Justin Leonard, University of Melbourne (and CSIRO) Bushfire Expert. There will be displays by CFA, Victoria police, Red Cross, Forest Fire Management, Healesville Historical Society and HEWI, a co-sponsor of this forum.

> **Wednesday October 17, 7.00pm - 9.00pm, the Memo, Healesville**

HEWI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - WASTE FREE "Tropical ecologies, drought and fire"

You are cordially invited to join the HEWI committee for our 29th AGM. If members would like a copy of our annual reports please contact Maureen, as above. Our Chairman, Graeme George, will illustrate the highlights of his recent extensive road trip to Iron Range, Kutini-Payamu NP, QLD.

As always, your committee is hoping that others will be encouraged to join our team and assist with the multitude of issues that constantly arise. Our secretary would especially appreciate some admin assistance in our congenial office - our 30th year will need collation of past records to celebrate all those volunteer contributions towards healthy and sustainable community lifestyles and environment. Nomination form attached!

We are returning to The Hub, Healesville Living and Learning Centre and you are most welcome to join us for a relaxing evening with refreshments, stimulating presentation and pleasant company.

> **Wednesday October 31, 6.45pm for a prompt 7.00 pm start 1 Badger Creek Road, car parking at back**

October**01 "People and the Natural World"**

Lilydale Lake Hall
12noon – 1.00pm

02 Ethical Investments

10am Emerald Library

04 Seniors Week launch

Yering -Tickets required
2:00PM to 4:00PM

06 HEWI Orchid survey

4-6 Juliet Avenue
1.30-3.00pm

07 Back to the Billabong

Yarra Flats community Day
10am – 2.30pm

11 HEWI meeting

HL&L Centre
7.00pm - 9.00pm

13 Yarra Strategic Plan

Community roundtable
10am – 4pm Heidelberg

17 Healesville Safer Together

Memo theatre
7.00pm- 9.00pm

18 Healesville Guides Creek Activity

Facilitated survey in
Queens Park
6.00pm – 8.00pm

27 MT&D landcare AGM

Worawa 2.00 -4.00pm

31 HEWI AGM

HL&LC Hub, 1 Badger
Creek Road
6.45pm for 7.00pm

NOVEMBER

Facilitated surveys with
H'ville Scouts

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Orchid Talk FNCV

"The management of *Caladenia amoena* and other rare native orchids in NE Melbourne"

Speaker: Gary French - twenty years conserving rare orchid populations on Melbourne's urban fringe

Contact: Joan Broadberry, 9846 1218

> **Tuesday October 23, 10.30 am, 1 Gardenia Street Blackburn**

HEWI grieves the passing of Rev Dipaloko, HEWI member, a gentle and selfless friend of our community.

WATERBUGS DISCOVERY DAY Free Community, waste free event

The Yellingbo Conservation Area Coordinating Committee (YCACC) is Our regular Spring Invertebrate Count is also a Senior's Festival event this year, so there is an open invitation to all community Seniors to observe and participate in the discovery of the macro invertebrates that thrive in the Grace Burn. Numbers limited.

Bookings essential: call Lou on 0403 987 494 or email Maureen.

> **Friday, October 19, 10am- 12noon H'ville Living & Learning Centre**

YARRA RIVER PROTECTION (WILLIP-GIN BIRRARUNG MURRON) ACT 2017

The Birrarung Council was created to advise the Victorian Government on key priorities under the Water for Victoria plan and the Yarra River Protection Act 2017. The appointments include two Yarra Riverkeeper members and Wurundjeri Traditional Owners.

HEWI has been involved with this process and is now invited to a Community Roundtable with Environmental Justice Australia, Yarra Riverkeepers and others to work on the Yarra Strategic Plan. This is a required commitment for Melbourne Water so much depends on the content, rigour and ambition of that Plan.

Unfortunately, both HEWI delegates to this process are unavailable for this initial meeting, so if any other HEWI member could attend, please contact Maureen **asap**. The details are: **10am – 4pm, Saturday 13 October 2018 Heidelberg**. There will be a briefing paper and work sheet beforehand to inform participants and to structure preliminary thinking from each group. This information would then be circulated prior to the Roundtable and provide a basis for discussions. A sitting fee is offered for regional delegates.

UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE OLDER PERSON

Hear Aboriginal Elder, Aunty Janet Turpie-Johnson talk about the relationship between people and the natural world. She'll discuss her research about how human activity has influenced the environment and the changes that have happened. This will be a relaxed and engaging discussion with time for Q&A Tea, coffee and water will be provided. BYO lunch. Register your interest in this event by contacting [Jen Ellison](mailto:Jen.Ellison@melbournewater.vic.gov.au)

> **Monday 1st Oct, 12pm - 1pm at Lilydale Lake Community Hall**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORUM

Council's Bushland team invite all environmentalists to this next Forum. We will meet to hear Council's Environmental updates, followed by a bus trip to Butterfield Reserve and Margaret Lewis Reserve – talks & tours led by Council staff & environmental volunteers. This will provide an excellent opportunity to view Council's restoration and volunteer support sites, both of which differ from our own approach in this region.

> **Sunday 28th October details TBA - if you would be interested, ask Maureen.**

"Engaging Healesville Community in transitioning to Net Zero".

We recently supported Healesville Community Renewable Energy's application for this grant and have now received their notification of a new investment possibility that closes on October 4: <https://www.crowd88.com/en/company/enova-energy/overview/> For more information contact Jeff Barlow: Jeff Barlow healesvillecore@gmail.com

Looking forward to catching up at our AGM – please consider joining our committee or offering to assist with some of our activities including the research that will be needed to collate our 30 years of community engagement and waterways protection



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