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State NRM Conference - Last Chance for Early Bird Registration

The early bird conference registration offer closes on 30th June 2011 so hurry and register for the conference today.

The State NRM Conference, 23-25 August 2011, and conference technical tours are a great opportunity for NRM managers, community, local and state government representatives to discuss the most recent NRM work and advances as well as meeting ISDE7 and WALIS delegates.

The [program](#) and [technical tours](#) can be viewed on line. More information will be provided on the Landcare Awards, being held on Thursday 23rd August, in the coming weeks.



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Black Cockatoo Fundraising

The volunteers at the Black Cockatoo Rehabilitation Centre (BCRC) have released hundreds of vulnerable and endangered Black Cockatoos back into the wild after receiving treatment for injuries.

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Founded by volunteers in 1998, the BCRC works in collaboration with the Perth Zoo vet clinic and DEC to ensure the birds are well looked after.

Now the rehabilitation centre urgently needs \$300,000 to build a new facility so that the conservation efforts of the volunteers can be continued.

Anyone wishing to donate can contact: Chris Phillips on 93902288 or 0411155560 or chris@kaarakin.com or, Glenn Dewhurst on 0417988872 or dewy3@bigpond.com.

PRNRM are holding an in house fundraising sausage-sizzle to raise funds for the new facility and hope that other organisations might do the same.

Perth Region NRM are grateful to the Rehabilitation Centre for caring for their rescued Red-tailed samueli (below), being rescued and in its new home.



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Planting season in full swing!

This week another 2,500 plants are in the ground lapping up recent rains and establishing themselves in the Perth Hills.

Perth Region NRM congratulates the Helena River Catchment Group for organizing a hugely successful planting morning last Sunday, held near the picnic site at Helena River.

The group had well prepared the site over the previous eight months, firstly with an extensive watsonia control program, and then by having the planting holes augered just before the planting day. More than 40 people came to help out the Helena River Catchment Group— including volunteers from Western Power, Perth Region NRM, Bassendean Preservation Group, and local residents.



The Helena River Catchment Group has been funded through a Western Power offset to enable this terrific work to be completed.

DIG 2011 - Have your say

The **Dieback Information Group (DIG)** was formed in 2001 to bring together people working on different aspects of *Phytophthora dieback* management across the south-west of Western Australia. To register for the day please go to:

http://www.environmentaldatalogistics.com.au/DIG_2011.html

DIG allows for government agencies, industry groups, researchers, local government & conservation groups to discuss the latest research, on-ground projects and current advancements in the management of *Phytophthora Dieback*.

2011 will see the 10th annual DIG symposium. Organised by the Dieback Working Group and numerous volunteers and supporters, DIG events have attracted up to 220 guests providing the ideal opportunity for information exchange and networking.



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Hardisty presentation available on line

Professor Hardisty examined the long term environmental, social and economic value, in monetary terms, of native Australian bushland, using a number of examples of Bush Forever sites in the Southwest of WA.

Estimating a "dollar value" for environmental assets and the ecosystem services they provide, allows decision-makers to integrate these issues fully into a like-for-like options assessment. This kind of approach is extremely useful in communicating to wider audiences, industry, government and developers, just how valuable bushland can be to society, and open up the possibility of considering appropriate compensation for society when bushland is cleared, or better, show just how important it is to retain bushland.

To listen to Professor Hardisty's presentation please visit the Perth Region NRM website <http://www.perthregionnrm.com/community-engagement-programs/geographical-reference-groups/reference-group-resources.aspx>.

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European Wasp Program

The Department of Agriculture and Food has confirmed that it will continue European Wasp surveillance, responding to reports from the public and controlling the pest in the next financial year. This program has been coordinated and funded by the Department for 32 years and to date has been successful in preventing the establishment of European wasps in Western Australia.

Earlier this year the Department decided to significantly reduce resourcing to the program and look for an increased level of stakeholder support for the ongoing surveillance, reporting and control this invasive pest.

Instead, the Department will continue to fund the program for another financial year and has commenced a review of the European wasp risk management program and will soon be consulting with key interest groups such as WALGA, pest controllers, the Department of Environment and Conservation and the Health Department.

Any suspected presence of European Wasp should continue to be

immediately reported to DAFWA on 1800 084 881. For more information contact Jessica Sheppard at JSheppard@walga.asn.au.

DWG Blog

The Dieback Working Group has a great blog up and running for all matters dieback – the latest information, news, events, links and much more. Take a look on <http://www.diebackmanagementsupport.blogspot.com> and if you like, sign up for updates.

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2011 Turning inspiration and innovation into reality



Are you a high achiever in the rural sector? Do you have an idea or innovation for your business that you're not sure will work?

You may be an excellent candidate for the Grow Zone Mentoring Program that will match you to one of WA's leading business professionals.

The Rural Business Development Corporation is calling for candidates to apply for the Grow Zone Mentoring Program 2011.

Where do I apply?

Application forms and instruction on how to make an application are available from the Grow Zone program 2011 via email at rbd@agric.wa.gov.au or by free-call on 1800 198231.

Applications close 5pm Friday 24 June 2011.

For more information on the program please click on the link below

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New \$75million Royalties for Regions scheme open for applications -
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=140976>

Water recycling project down the drain -
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2011/06/10/3241226.htm>

Changes to the FarmReady Reimbursement grants program -
http://www.maff.gov.au/media_office/media_releases/media_releases/2011/june/farmready-grants

Call for nominations for Environmentalist of the Year -
<http://www.environment.gov.au/minister/burke/2011/mr20110608.html>

Marine-based common user infrastructure would create economic development in the Pilbara -
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=141036>

Public invited to comment on Roe Highway extension
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=141399>

WA wines get international marketing boost from -
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=141348>

Global action - facts and fiction -
<http://www.climatechange.gov.au/en/government/international/global-action-facts-and-fiction.aspx>

Climate change impacts around the country -
<http://www.climatechange.gov.au/en/minister/greg-combet/2011/media-releases/june/mr20110614a.aspx>

Belmont, Nedlands and Mosman Park join Waterwise Council program -
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=141518>

\$7million boost for regional waste management -
<http://www.mediastatements.wa.gov.au/Pages/Results.aspx?ItemID=141099>

Events in the Perth Region

Perth Region NRM are keen to help you find out about relevant and interesting events, training and workshops happening in our region. If you have an event coming soon please email us details at enquiries@perthregionnrm.com so we can include it on our website and in our new newsletter.

To find more details about a listed event please visit

<http://www.perthregionnrm.com/media/events.aspx>.

Topic	Venue	Date and Time	Host
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Introduction to Permaculture Workshop	Held in a retro-fitted 50's house, complete with verge veggie garden, chook yard and frog ponds in Mt Claremont.	Saturday 25th June, 2011. 9:00am-1:30pm. RSVP by 22nd June. Morning tea and light lunch provided.	Permaculture Association WA
Soils: Can you dig it?!	Chittering Landcare Centre	Saturday 25th June, 2011. 9:00am-1:30pm. RSVP by 22nd June. Morning tea and light lunch provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Public Walk	Meet at City of Canning Council car-park, Access from George St. Looking at Council Lakes & the Wharf St Development Site.	Saturday 25th June, 2011. 9:00am-11:00am. Gold coin donation appreciated. Morning tea at Canning River Eco-education centre.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
Healthy Pastures = Healthy Stock!	Brookleigh Estate, 1235 Great Northern Hwy, Upper Swan	Saturday 25th June, 2011.	WA Horse Council
From Weeds to Wildflowers	Octagonal Hall, 52 McGlew Rd, Glen Forrest	Sunday 26 June 2011 - 8.45am to 3.00pm \$25 per person (includes morning tea and lunch) \$15 Wildflower Society members Booking required	Hosted by Eastern Hills Branch, Wildflower Society of WA (Inc.)
Work Day	Access via Bridgeway Ave, Grace & Niels Sts; park along Colahan Way	Saturday 16th July, 2011. 9:00am start. Brush cutting and raking.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
Meeting	Canning River Eco-Education Centre	Wednesday 20th July, 2011. 7:30pm start.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
DIG 2011 - Have your say	Murdoch University, Kim Beazley Lecture Theatre.	Friday 22nd July, 2011	Dieback Working Group
Bushland Plant Survey Techniques Workshop	DEC Woodvale Research Centre Wildlife Place, Woodvale.	Saturday 23rd July, 2011. 10:00am-3:00pm. Numbers limited to 25.	Wildflower Society of WA
6th World Environmental Education Conference	Brisbane, Australia	Tuesday 19th - Saturday 23rd July 2011	
Irrigation Efficiency – Principles to Practice workshop (Short Course for Small Landholders)	Chittering Landcare Centre, 175 Old Gingin Road, Muchea	Saturday 13th August 2011. 9am – 12noon	Perth Region NRM
Work Day	Access from the end of Eastfield Court in Ferndale; park here & walk down to the Billabong.	Saturday 13th August, 2011. 9:00am start.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
Meeting	Canning River Eco-Education Centre	Wednesday 17th August, 2011. 7:30pm start.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
ECMP Community	Shire of Mundaring; 7000 Great Eastern	18th August 2011. 10:00AM – 12:30PM. Includes light refreshments and	Perth Region NRM

Workshop	Highway, Mundaring	great networking opportunities with like-minded groups. RSVP essential.	
Sound of Science	Canning River Eco-Education Centre	Sunday 21st August, 2011. 10:00am-3:00pm.	Canning River Regional Park Volunteers
State NRM Conference	Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre	23rd-25th August 2011	Perth Region NRM, WALIS, ISDE
Frogs, Feathered & Furry Friends	Chittering Landcare Centre	Saturday 27th August 2011. 9:00am-1:30pm. RSVP required by 24th August 2011. Morning tea and light lunch provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Irrigation Efficiency – Principles to Practice workshop (Short Course for Small Landholders)	Chittering Landcare Centre, 175 Old Gingin Road, Muchea	Tuesday 30th August 2011. 6pm – 9pm	Perth Region NRM
Threatened Species Day - Education Event	Whiteman Park	Wednesday 7th September, 10:00am - 2:00pm	Whiteman Park
Birds, Wildflowers & Weeds	Blackboy Ridge on Chittering Road	Saturday 10th September 2011. 7:30am-2:00pm. RSVP required by 7th September 2011. BBQ lunch Provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Wrestle the Reaper - Dieback Treatment	Bush Skills for the Hills	Saturday 17th September, 9:00am-12:00pm	EMRC & Others
Chemical Free Weed Control Workshop	Bush Skills for the Hills	Saturday 24th September, 9:00am-12:30pm followed by lunch at winery	EMRC & Others
Pasture Perfect: Part II	Chittering Landcare Centre	Saturday 24th September, 9:00am-1:30pm. RSVP required by 21st September. Morning tea and light lunch provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Advanced Masterclass in Australian Groundwater	Perth	Monday, 26th-30th September	Sustainable Resources Industry Training
First Time Fencing	Chittering Landcare Centre	Saturday 8th October 2011, 9:00am-12:00pm. RSVP required by 5th October. Sausage Sizzle Provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Rapid Bushland Assessment	Bush Skills for the Hills	Saturday 15th October, 9:00am-12:00pm	EMRC & Others
Biological Bulldozer	Burley Park, Cnr Smith & Chittering Rd, Bullsbrook	Saturday 5th November 2011, 9:00am-12:00pm. RSVP required by 2nd November 2011. Morning Tea provided.	Chittering Landcare Centre
Be Smart with Seed - Native seed Collection Shortcourse	Bush Skills for the Hills	Wednesday 23rd November, Saturday 26th November, Wednesday 7th December	EMRC & Others
Free Information Seminar - design a more energy efficient and sustainable new home	Murdoch University	Anytime	Solaraspects
Bird Watching	The Chittering Area	Numerous, including; 8th July, 13th August, 10th September, 22nd October, 12th November, 10th December	Chittering Landcare Centre

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