



McCrae Homestead Coastal Group Inc.

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Caring for the local environment

Newsletter Summer EOY 2020

Welcome to the 2020 Summer/EOY issue of the newsletter.

END OF YEAR LUNCH 13th December 2020

To mark the end of our working year – fragmented as it was, we are holding a lunch after the working bee next Sunday 13th December, at Dee & Barry’s home, 6 Burrell Street, McCrae.

To comply with current COVID requirements the following will apply:

- *Please RSVP Dee - call, leave a message or text to 0408 302 636 by Thursday 10th December;
- *Masks are no longer mandatory to be worn indoors, but you should make your own decision in that regard;
- *Physical distancing will be observed in the seating arrangements.

If you are unable to work that morning you may still join us at the Robinson’s from 12.15pm but you must RSVP.

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SEASONS GREETINGS



We wish you a happy festive season with family and friends and a serene 2021 as we return to a less stressful life.

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THANK YOU

The McCrae foreshore is in extremely good nick given that we have been precluded from working most of the year. This is due to Danielle and her Naturelinks Team who have been able to continue to work and have spent many hours on maintaining our special piece of foreshore.

Many thanks Danielle and your team.

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UPDATES

Melbourne Water Grant 2020/2021

Work is continuing on Coburn Creek and some preliminary work at Eyrie creek.

MPS 20/21 Budget Allocation

Discussions were recently held with Hannah Brown & Danielle Suffern to confirm the areas to be worked on around Eyrie Creek under this allocation and a list of plants for revegetation confirmed.

PlaceMaker Grants 2021

In the last newsletter we advised that an upgrade of the information panels in the Rotunda was to be included in the MPS Budget allocation, but it has since been agreed to make an application for this under the Shire PlaceMaker programme.

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RAINFALL IN MCCRAE

Year	Annual
2010	934.50 mm
2011	843.00 mm
2012	959.00 mm
2013	854.50 mm
2014	652.55 mm
2015	631.50 mm
2016	773.50 mm
2017	673.00 mm
2018	591.00 mm Lowest since 2006
2019	621.50 mm
2020	638.50 mm to 30 November

FROM the INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL ...

Following on from the item in the last newsletter, about identifying and eradicating weeds, you might be interested in the report *Glyphosate, a Chemical to Understand* written by Tim Low, a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the *Invasive Species Council*.

Tim is an ecologist, consultant and writer who helped to found the *Invasive Species Council* in 2002.

He is author of the best-selling book *Feral Future*, which *The Australian* newspaper called a wake-up on the dangers of 'McDonaldising' world ecology, and regularly speaks about pest issues at conferences in Australia and internationally.

To find the report, and other interesting information on a range of ecological issues go to:
<https://invasives.org.au/publications/glyphosate-a-chemical-to-understand/>

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NEW MEMBER

Since the last newsletter we have welcomed Dani Gold to the group. We hope you continue to enjoy working on the foreshore with us.

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MHCG 2020 AGM

Usually held in November, this year we are waiting on the lifting of restrictions on public meeting rooms before setting a date.

There is no particular problem with this as the Rules provide for the AGM to be held by 31st March.

We'll keep you posted.

WORKING BEES



Working Bees First and second Sunday of the month except January - 10.00am at the Rotunda.

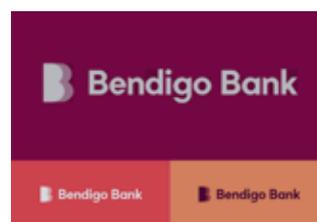
Just turn up!

Volunteers do need to be a member of the group and registered with the Shire, but this can be done on the day. You will be provided with gloves, safety glasses, sun hat, safety vest and tools.

At the working-bee last Sunday we welcomed Maggie Logan from Naturelinks who has taken on the supervisory role with us for the first Sunday bees.

FUNDING SUPPORT

Thank you to our supporters for providing funds or in-kind support to enable MHCG to continue the vital work we do on the McCrae foreshore:



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