


Landcare Group Report for Leigh Catchment Group
Prepared for Board Meeting 17 May 2016



Question	Landcare Group	Response
<p>What achievements/activities have occurred in your Group over the past 2 months?</p> <p><i>(e.g., grants received, plantings completed, maintenance activities...)</i></p>	Ross Creek	Ross Creek Group is spending a grant for interpretive signs around the Hall Nature Reserve. We have monthly working bees at this Reserve and have sprayed weeds over Autumn.
	Wattle Flat Pootilla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean up Australia day at Russell's Dam Sunday 6th March. - Monthly Working Bees at Ditchfield Reserve 2nd Wednesday of Month 5-6PM - Weed spraying across the current project area, and the three previous project areas at the Ditchfield Reserve on two occasions approx one month apart. This resulted in the Completion of our current communities for Nature grant in this reserve. This completes the Project after 4 years work.
	Upper Williamson's Creek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AGM held on 14 April 2016 - Scotsburn Community Get Together held on 6 May 2016
	Napoleons Enfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintenance activities have been occurring on the last Sunday of every month at the Franklins Bridge site. This has included activities such as digging catchments and putting in stakes in preparation for the 2000 trees that will be planted at this site from July – October. - Some members have also been working on the site on a Monday's slashing grass, spraying weeds and pulling up weed mat. - Organised guest speaker for their next Landcare Meeting.
	Garibaldi	<p>March and April included working bee activities (and continued efforts by individual members) at two of our main project sites.</p> <p>*Garibaldi Bridge (March): de-bagging from previous plantings and removal of old rabbit fencing on the south side of the river.</p> <p>*Sth Durham Bridge (April): Over 100 trees and grasses/groundcovers planted in the triangle in front of the reserve with rabbit-proof fencing installed (see photo below). The working bee also included a weed identification information sharing session.</p>



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<p>Do you have questions for the Leigh Catchment Group?</p>	<p>Garibaldi</p>	<p>On a small island and on the river bank downstream from the South Durham Bridge, there are various weeds, such as gorse, willows and elms (?) that need removal, but are beyond our Landcare group’s capacity. Is it possible for LCG to assist with removal of these weeds?</p>
<p>Do you have any events coming up in the near future? <i>(e.g., social, working bees, tree planting events, etc.)</i></p>	<p>Ross Creek</p>	<p>We will host a Tree Day event with school involvement in planting and care of previous plantings.</p>
	<p>Garibaldi</p>	<p>National Tree Day planting on July 17th (put in your diaries) at the Garibaldi Bridge south side of the river.</p>
	<p>Upper Williamson’s Creek</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scotsburn Community Get Together on the 1st Friday of every month.
	<p>Napoleons Enfield</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emily Nobel will present, “Orchids of Enfield Forest:”, at the next Group meeting on the 25th of May – Orchids of Enfield Forest.
	<p>Wattle Flat Pootilla</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AGM Sat 14th May at the Dean Hall - National Tree Day Sunday 31/7/16 (venue to be confirmed) - Committee Meeting first Tuesday of each month
<p>Other:</p>	<p>Ross Creek</p>	<p>Our work on the Reserve is showing results this year and we would like to have a local public viewing and appreciation event.</p>
	<p>Wattle Flat Pootilla</p>	<p>We are currently investigating new projects as we have completed the Ditchfield Reserve project. We have put in a project proposal to do work around the Slaty Creek Camp Ground and Goldfields. We are also waiting on funding/permission from Hepburn and Moorabool shires for Gorse spraying on two roadsides</p>