

Waterwatch Coordinator's Report August 2015



In General

This report covers the period 22 June to 18 August 2015.

Waterwatch group training, education literature review and forums have been the main focus this month.

Office

This period the coordinator assisted with general supplies and up keep of the catchment group office. We are now the proud owners of an A3 printer scanner.

Events

This period, the coordinator attended;

- The Basin Priority Plan Governance briefing to road test their community communication strategy.
- Dinner for National Waterwatch Coordinators.
- 2 Public Consultation sessions on the BPP options for Lake Tuggeranong. Presented information display for SACTCG.
- A workshop day on catchment education hosted by the Regional Integrated Catchment Management committee.
- Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand's 'State of the Rivers' forum.
- Regional Integrated Catchment Management committee ½ day workshop.

Media

(none this period)

Waterwatch

This period the coordinator;

- Met with regional WW facilitator and Scientific Officer to finalise analysis breakdown of SACTCG data for the next CHiP report
- Facilitated RARC surveys at all Tidbinbilla sites by the Green Army.
- Finalised data for the next CHiP report.
- Provided 3 training sessions and site visits for new volunteer monitoring Gibraltar Creek.
- Provided training to new volunteers monitoring 2 sites on the Murrumbidgee River.
- Met new volunteer from Uriarra Parkcare who plans to monitor 2 sites at Uriarra Crossing.
- Provided training to ACT Parks and Conservation Service rangers. Negotiated sites on Murrumbidgee, Paddy's and Cotter rivers.
- Attended Waterwatch coordinators meeting for August.
- Provided additional equipment support to a number of member groups.

Education

This period the coordinator;

- Delivered Waterwatch education kit to Stromlo High School.
- Met with Geography teachers at Chisholm School to assist with curriculum planning.
- Delivered lessons on Waterwatch data base to 4 Yr 10 classes at Chisholm School.

Weeds Equipment

This period the coordinator;

- Managed the booking of the spray trailer by land owners.
- Promoted and provided information to Yass Shire Council

Urban Landcare

The coordinator;

- Hosted the August meeting for the 'Carers of Point Hut Pond' and assisted with their ACT Environment grant application.
- Attended the July meeting of the 'Tuggeranong Lake Carers'.

Icon Water project

A literature review of current education resources alignment with Icon Water and SACTCG priorities has been completed this month.

Grants

Current grants being managed by the coordinator include:

- ACT Environment Grant 'Housing for Native Animal Rehabilitation'. Paper work for acquittal of this project has been received

Other

The coordinator submitted a nomination for Fiona Spier for the Community Awards 2015.

Leave (hours) Annual: Personal: Flex: