

# Waterwatch Coordinator's Report February 2016



## **In General**

This report covers the period 18 November 2015 to 16 February 2016.

This period has mostly been about catching up on unfinished business from 2015 and settling into the treasurer role for UMCCC.

## **Office**

This period the coordinator assisted with general supplies and up keep of the catchment group office including taking care of printer repairs and purchasing. A dehumidifier was purchased for the office to good effect.

## **Events**

*(None this period.)*

## **Media**

This period, the coordinator;

- Hosted 3 SACTCG Radio Landcare shows with Heather Peachey from ACT Wildlife as guest in December, The Botanic Gardens Promotions Officer and a member of the ACT Herpetology Society in January and Ann Duncan from Landcare ACT in February.

## **Waterwatch**

This period the coordinator;

- Provided training session and site visit for support worker from Able Australia(18/11).
- Provided 2 training sessions and site visit for new volunteer monitoring sites in Fadden and on Wanniasa Hill(18/12&8/1).
- Attended 2 site visits with new family of Waterwatch volunteers to remote sites on Naas R(21/12&8/1).
- Attended Waterwatch coordinators meeting for February.
- Provided equipment support to a number of member groups. Including after-hours monitoring of SPOT beacon.

## **Education**

This period the coordinator;

- Delivered equipment to Lake Tuggeranong College and met with new team of Sustainability Unit students (11/2).
- Delivered a presentation on Waterwatch to 2 new classes conducting Waterwatch monitoring at Chisholm School and discussed curriculum resources with Science coordinator(15/2).
- Delivered Water bugs surveying lesson to ACT Home School Association (19/11).

## **Weeds Equipment**

This period the coordinator;

- Managed the booking of the spray trailer by land owners.
- Spent 3 days assisting with a comprehensive spraying program at Scottsdale, NSW(23-25/11).
- Delivered the spray trailer for major repairs (18/12).
- Delivered spray packs to Green Army team.

## **Urban Landcare**

The coordinator;

- Hosted the February meeting for the 'Carers of Point Hut Pond'.

## **Icon Water project**

This period the coordinator completed a 6 monthly report and identified suitable education material to initiate the Icon Water education portal.

## **Grants**

Current grants being managed by the coordinator include:

- ACT Environment Grant 'Housing for Native Animal Rehabilitation'. Acquittal process for this grant has started.

## **Other**

This period the coordinator also;

- Met with the outgoing treasurer of the UMCCC for a handover of files(22/12).
- Attended a UMCCC executive meeting in February.
- Met with a rehabilitation client and worker re: Parkcare, Waterwatch programs (11/2)