

Waterwatch Coordinator's Report March 2016



In General

This report covers the period 16 February to 15 March.

Big focus for this period has been the UMCCC forum to be held on 18th and 19th.

Office

This period the coordinator assisted with general supplies and up keep of the catchment group office.

Events

Royal Canberra Show. 6 hours(27 & 28/2).

Media

This period, the coordinator;

- Attended training at 2XX on their new programming system(18/2).
- Hosted SACTCG Radio Landcare show with Fiona Dyer from UMCCC as phone in guest in March. This is the first phone interview conducted by our show (15/3).

Waterwatch

This period the coordinator;

- Provided training session and site discussion with team leaders for ongoing WW program to be offered by CVA(22/2).
- Provided training session to new volunteers from CVA Tidbinbilla Sanctuary Interpreters program (9/3).
- Attended 2 Waterwatch coordinators RARC training events (29/2 & 8/3).
- Provided equipment support to a number of member groups. Including after-hours monitoring of SPOT beacon.

Education

This period the coordinator;

- Delivered 2 Waterwatch excursions for Erindale College(23 &26/2)
- Delivered Waterwatch training to Lake Tuggeranong College Sustainability Unit students (25/2).
- Met with LTC teacher to plan year's activities for the Sustainability Unit(3/3).
- Provided native seeds and tubes to Chisholm School for their green house. Seedlings produced will be made available for SACTCG planting projects, along with student volunteers where appropriate.
- Met with Chisholm HS 'Ignite' program Yr10 students and teacher to discuss new monitoring program at Upper Stranger Pond in response to request by CPR for data (10/3).
- Delivered Waterwatch education session at Lions Youth Haven (15/3).

Weeds Equipment

This period the coordinator;

- Received the spray packs back from the Green Army. All were cleaned and 2 need repairs before being available for loan again.
- Managed the booking of the spray trailer by land owners.

Urban Landcare

(none this period.)

Icon Water project

This period the coordinator met with Ellen Schwab to establish the next phase of outputs for the Icon Water Education portal.

Grants

Current grants being managed by the coordinator include:

- ACT Environment Grant 'Housing for Native Animal Rehabilitation'. Acquittal nearly completed.

Other

This period the coordinator also;

- Participated in a significant meeting between Landcare ACT and ACT Government.(17/2)
- Met with the outgoing treasurer of the UMCCC for an in-service on the membership invoicing system (25/2).
- Attended 3 UMCCC executive meetings over February and March regarding forum actions (18/2, 4/3&10/3).