



This Week by the Creek

May 2019

Welcome to This Week by the Creek, monthly e-news and updates from Brisbane City Council's Creek Catchment Officers to the Brisbane Catchment Community.

In this edition:

- Training opportunities
- Funding opportunities & grants now open
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- Industry news, information and resources



Training Opportunities

The Creek Catchments Program provides training and education for members of Brisbane's Catchment Groups. We do this by:

Providing funding for members to attend relevant training programs.

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Developing and implementing tailored, relevant training programs that are of interest to the catchment groups.

If you are interested in attending any of the programs listed here or you see a need for other training that would be useful to your Catchment Group, please contact your relevant Creek Catchment Officer or [reply to this email](#) with your request or idea.

We can work with a training provider to tailor relevant training to suit your needs.

If you are not a member of your local catchment group, [contact us](#) to find out how to join, or

visit the Brisbane Catchments Network [contact page](#) to find the link to your local catchment group

NEW - Aquatic Macro-Invertebrate Survey Training

Sunday 19 May

If you missed out on the April training day, an opportunity to attend a special run Aquatic Macro-Invertebrate workshop in the Norman Creek Catchment is available this Sunday 19 May. Aquatic Ecologist Natalie Toon will guide participants through the requirements and methodology to undertake an aquatic macro-invertebrate survey in your local creek. Training will include capture techniques, identification of macro-invertebrates, and how the results relate to waterway health. This is a fantastic workshop for those interested in monitoring creek health, and providing and protecting aquatic habitat.

When: Sunday 19 May, 9am – 1pm (morning tea & lunch provided)
Where: Greenslopes DCP Site, Nicholson Street, Greenslopes, QLD 4120
RSVP: Bookings at [Eventbrite!](#)

NEW - Free Grant-Seeking Tutorial

Friday 30 August

If you're looking to secure a grant for your cause or get a behind-the-scenes look at what donors in your area are doing, this free one hour tutorial is for you!

The tute allows you to view the [QUT Community Collection for grant-seekers, fundraisers and philanthropists](#) and shows you how to use the world's leading grant-seeking database, the Foundation Directory Online. QUT is the only institution in the Southern Hemisphere which hosts this unique collection.

Free refreshments will be provided.

When: These tutorials are held quarterly and the next date is 30 August, 2019.
RSVP: Email acpns@qut.edu.au today to secure a place.

Social Media & Marketing for Catchment Groups

Friday 24th May

Come join Samantha Morris from Wombat Creative as she leads participants through interactive hands-on activities that can increase your groups social media and marketing approach.

When: Friday 24 May 2019, 1pm – 4pm (afternoon tea provided)

Where: Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre, 149 Acacia Road, Karawatha

Funding Opportunities & Grants

The Creek Catchment Program provides a range of support functions for Brisbane's Catchment Groups in applying for grants by supporting the development of grant proposals, facilitating land manager approvals and providing justification and other support.

If your group is interested in applying for a grant or funding support [contact us](#) to find out how to join, or visit the Brisbane Catchments Network [contact page](#) to find the link to your local catchment group

Obtaining grants are a great way to improve catchment group outcomes!

NEW - Brisbane City Council Community & History Grants

Brisbane City Council offers a range of creative and history grants, awards and fellowships for artists, arts workers, creatives, historians, and local organisations.

[Building Stronger Communities Grants](#) - Opens Monday 15 July

[Community Development & Capacity Building Grants](#) - Opens Monday 15 July

[Access & Inclusion Community Partnership Program](#) - Opens Monday 15 July

[Brisbane History Grants](#) - Opens Monday 15 July

NEW - Social Investment Grants

Not-for-profit organisations and community groups can apply for grants of either \$25,000 or \$50,000 to build capacity within their organisation through Community Sector Banking's

Social Investment Grants.

The grants come from a \$350,000 funding pool offered in partnership with the Community Enterprise Foundation.

Building capacity of not-for-profit organisations can include, but is not limited to, acquisition of staff to deliver the project, training and/or development of new or existing staff to deliver the project and software development to improve existing capability/capacity of the project.

Applications can be made online and close at **5pm AEST on Friday 31 May**.

NEW - Australian Ethical Foundation Community Grants

Grassroots organisations who contribute to humanitarian, environmental and animal welfare efforts in Australia and abroad are encouraged to apply. Only organisations with operating revenue less than \$1.5 million will be eligible for funding.

[Apply](#) [now!](#)

Closes Friday 31 May

NEW - Growing Good Gardens Grant

Together with Yates® Gardening, Life Education is encouraging young people to get out into the garden to grow and learn healthy habits. **There are ten \$1,000 grants to be won.**

Learn [more](#) and [apply](#) [here!](#)

Closes Monday 17 June

NEW - Wettenhall Environment Trust

Small Environmental Grant Scheme

Providing support for people undertaking projects that will make a positive difference to the natural living environment, in land, sea or air, rural or urban. The Wettenhall Environment Trust [Small Environmental Grants](#) support grassroots organisations and

individuals, and academics who are working with on-ground groups.

We are looking for projects around:

- flora and fauna conservation (Australia-wide)
- threatened mammal conservation (Australia-wide)

These projects should involve any of the following:

- monitoring, recording and sharing data
- delivering community education
- providing community capacity building (e.g. training)
- research and science

Projects must be directly making positive changes to biodiversity conservation in Australia.

Next round opens Monday 1 July.

NEW - Queensland Rail Community Partnering Program

For over 150 years, Queensland Rail has played a pivotal role in the development of Queensland communities.

The Queensland Rail Community Partnering Program supports local initiatives (under \$5,000) that can enhance Queenslanders' way of life.

[Apply now!](#)

Simply read the Community Partnering Program guidelines and complete the application form located on the page.

Please note Queensland Rail prefer as much time as possible to plan for their sponsorship activities and so all applications for sponsorship must be submitted at least eight weeks prior to an event occurring.

NEW - Transurban Community Grants

Transurban have two grant rounds per year and offer grants of up to \$5,000 for projects bringing social and environmental benefits to communities in Melbourne, Sydney and

Brisbane near Transurban's roads.

Grants are open to a wide range of organisations and initiatives and we encourage inclusion, diversity of thought and innovation.

The next grant round will open **Monday 1 July, 2019.**

Click [here](#) for more information!

NEW - Peet Group's National Community Grants

The Peet Group's community partnerships program provides grants that build capacity in the communities and in the regions in which our residents and their families become involved.

Hundreds of organisations, groups, not-for-profit industries and individuals across the country have received funding through the Peet's community grants program.

Peet Group supports activities and initiatives that build connections within our communities, focused on sports, health, education, arts and culture, and environmental activities that benefit their neighbourhoods.

If you have an established initiative or a new activity or group that you'd like to get off the ground, Peet Group would love to hear from you.

They receive many requests for sponsorship throughout the year, and each request is carefully assessed and judged on its own merits. Please review our [sponsorship guidelines and application form](#) in preparation for completing an application.

Questions? Call our Community Information Line on 1800 819 912 or email community@peet.com.au

NEW - Auswide Bank Community Support

Auswide Bank and their people are part of your community!

As caring corporate citizens, they sponsor and support a number of local activities, organisations, events and projects covering a wide range of sporting, cultural and community interests and endeavours.

They ask that any organisation seeking financial or in-kind support please consider the following options.

- Corporate Sponsorships
- Community Grants Scheme
- In kind support
- Not-for-profit loan referral program

Each request for support is assessed individually and is based on our budget, the merit of the application and whether the application has met Our Community Support Strategy.

Upcoming Events

There is always a reason to celebrate our community and environmental care. The Creek Catchment Program promotes a range of community based environmental events, contact us to find out more about these events and how you can get involved.

Email these opportunities to your wider membership, or post them on your group's Facebook page and/or website.

May 2019

- International Composting Awareness Week - 6th to 12th
- OZWater'18 - 8th - 10th
- World Parks Week - 10th to 18th
- World Migratory Bird Day - 12th
- National Volunteer Week - 21st to 27th
- International Day for Biological Diversity - 22nd
- World Turtle Day - 23rd
- National Sorry Day - 26th
- National Reconciliation Week - 27th to 3rd June

June 2019

- First day of Winter - 1st
- World Environment Day - 5th
- World Oceans Day - 8th
- Global Wind Day - 15th
- World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought - 17th
- Red Nose Day - 29th

Save the Date - Sunday 16 June 2019

Creek Catchment Tour - Moggill Creek Catchment

Moggill Creek is home to a wide range of habitats and an equally diverse range of plants and animals. Join other members of Council's Community Conservation Partnership Programs for an informative bus tour exploring some of the hidden natural treasures of Moggill Creek catchment. Covering over 57 square kilometres and stretching from the foothills of D'Aguilar Ranges to the urbanised areas of Kenmore.

Date: Sunday 16 June

Time: 8am - 1.30pm

Where: Various locations in Moggill Creek catchment

RSVP: Bookings essential. Book your spot through Eventbrite by 5pm Friday 4 June 2019.

The password to book on-line through Eventbrite is Catchment_Tour_2019

For more information about this event, email the project team or phone Andrew Wills on 3407 0215.

July 2019

- NAIDOC Week - 8th to 15th
- World Population Day - 11th
- Schools Tree Day - 27th
- National Tree Day - 29th

Save the Date! Cubberla-Witton Catchment Network

2018 - 2019 Flora, Fauna & Fungi Workshops

- Small native mammals - Saturday 18 May 2019
- Threatened Species - Saturday 15 June 2019
- Creating Habitat, Small Birds & Frogs - Saturday 20 July

Check out the [flyer](#) for more details!

Information, News and Resources

30 Years of Landcare - Share Your Story

This year, Landcare and Landcare Australia are celebrating a 30-year anniversary.

Landcare has played a leading role in changing Australia's approach to sustainable agricultural practices, environmental protection, land and water conservation, biodiversity and landscape restoration whilst connecting communities.

In recognition of the incredible work that has been achieved during the past three decades, Landcare Australia is curating a collection of stories that exemplify the Landcare ethos. These stories will be used across a number of special publications to showcase and share how Landcare has shaped Australia and why it is integral to our country's future.

If you have a story about a Landcare project or person that has made or is making a difference to the environment and local community, we'd love to hear it!

[Share your story!](#)

Stinking passionflower

research

CSIRO is investigating the control and management of stinking passionflower (*Passiflora foetida*) and need the help of citizen scientists to collect ripe fruit and/or leaves from across Australia. If you would like to help, CSIRO would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Please contact Mick

Davy on michael.davy@csiro.au or (08) 9333 6104.



Is your group looking for board or committee members?

Ourcommunity.com.au has introduced a new online enterprise, the Institute of Community Directors Australia.

Among a range of tools and resources to help community boards/committees run efficiently and effectively, they have a very simple section for groups to advertise board positions.

[Check out this section](#) and consider using it to advertise any vacancies you have on your board/committee. It's simple and free!

We'd love your feedback!

If you enjoy this newsletter, and find it useful, please tell us what you like most. Do you have ideas for improvements or inclusions?

We'd love to hear what you think - please reply to this email with any thoughts!

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