

Community Conservation Partnership Programs
Creek Catchments Program



This Week by the Creek

October 2020

*Welcome to a **new look** 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
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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.

Coming very soon

Wednesday, 28 October 2020 - 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Zoom Webinar: *Introduction to Butterflies*

Entomologist Dr Justin Cappadonna will introduce us to the world of butterflies. He'll cover their biology, their fascinating life cycle, their habitat needs, their role in terrestrial ecosystems, their part in the food chain or their importance as pollinators, talk about the threats they are under, and why they can be considered valuable indicators of environmental health.

Justin also happens to be the convenor of a bushcare group entirely dedicated to hill-topping butterflies, a butterfly behaviour designed to find mating partners. His group works near the Mount Coot-tha summit. Don't miss out on this excellent opportunity to gain knowledge of the world of butterflies.

Please register with [Eventbrite](#). A Zoom link will be sent to you earlier on the day of the event.

Wednesday, 28 October 2020 - 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Microsoft Teams Webinar: *Weed awareness - Selecting the right herbicide*

Hosted by Kholo Creek Catchment Group, this webinar will extend on the weed identification workshop held last year and is a precursor to the official launch of

the Platypus Park Project in Mt Crosby on Saturday/Sunday 7/8 November (see events section for further details).

Selecting the right weed control technique, and subsequently the right herbicide is a crucial part to securing the biodiversity of our natural areas. Join the Kholo Creek Catchment Group and Brisbane City Council Officers to learn more about herbicides, and where, when, why and how they can be applied on private properties, and Council lands.

Please register with [Eventbrite](#). Alternatively [email](#) the Creek Catchment Officers for bookings or more information. A Microsoft Teams link will be sent to you earlier on the day of the event.

Wednesday, 11 November 2020 – 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Zoom Webinar: All about *Brisbane's Big Butterfly Count*

Brisbane's inaugural Big Butterfly Count has started. This webinar has been given before, but questions still flood in.

If you want to know why Brisbane Catchments Network has initiated this project and combined forces with all of Brisbane's catchment groups, what it is all about, and where and how to participate, register for this webinar.

Jutta Godwin is the coordinator of Brisbane's Big Butterfly Count and known to everyone in the CWCN reach. She will provide the overview and answer any questions you might have.

This project is for all ages and knowledge levels and there are many ways you can be part of it, be it with active counting of common species, or by registering for further webinars, butterfly ecology walks, workshops, by supporting comprehensive site surveys in Brisbane's inner west, by planting for butterflies, or as environmental educator in a school or any organisation. CWCN is ambitious when it comes to the welfare of our local butterflies, so

keep in touch with what is happening.

Please register with your details by emailing secretary@brisbanecatchments.org.au. A Zoom link will be sent to you prior to the webinar.

More Offerings from Our Community:

Online training

Step In, Step Up - Everything a New Community Board Member Needs to Know.

WTF – Where’s the Funding? - Fundraising is the lifeblood of most community organisations, yet it’s an often-neglected task.

s Australia each year. Is your organisation getting its share? - Around \$80 billion is given out in grants across Win More Grants

Webinars

Charity Fraud Awareness 28 October

Reconnected, by Andrew Leigh & Nick Terrell 2 November - *FREE*

Preparing for #GivingTuesday 5 November - *FREE*

Good Ethics and Good Culture 11 November

Whistle Blowing at Your Not-for-Profit 18 November

Unless explicitly marked FREE, all training and webinars have an associated cost. Please contact the [Creek Catchment Officers](#) if you would like support to participate in any of these activities.

More Offerings:

[Greater & Squirrel Glider Symposium](#)

Tue, 27 Oct 2020, 8:00 AM –Wed, 28 Oct 2020, 4:00 PM AEST

Biolinks Alliance, with Wombat Forestcare, Strathbogie Ranges CMN and the Great Eastern Ranges, is holding an **online digital symposium** that will bring together researchers and conservation practitioners. This two-week online forum will focus on sharing information and improving collaborative and strategic approaches to conservation of Greater Gliders and Squirrel Gliders.

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.

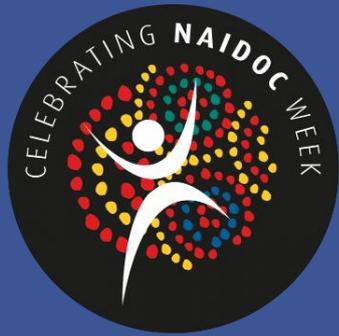
Email these opportunities to your wider membership, or post them on your group's socials and/or website.

October 2020

- [Australian Wildlife Week](#) - 5th to 11th
- [World Habitat Day](#) - 7th
- [International Day for Disaster Reduction](#) - 13th
- [World Food Day](#) - 16th
- [International Day for the Eradication of Poverty](#) - 17th
- [National Ride 2 Work Day](#) - 21st
- [Aussie Backyard Bird Count](#) - 19th to 25th
- [National Water Week](#) - 19th to 25th
- [All Energy 2020 conference](#) - 21st to 22nd
- [United Nations Day](#) - 24th
- [World Day for Audiovisual Heritage](#) - 27th

(Picture source: [Australian Water Association](#), 2020)





**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**

5-12 JULY 2020

November 2020

- [World Tsunami Awareness Day](#) - 5th
- [NAIDOC Week](#) - 8th to 15th (rescheduled from July)
- [Pollinator Week](#) - 8th to 15th
- [National Recycling Week](#) - 9th to 15th
- UN Climate Change Conference COP 26 - 9th to 19th, postponed to 2021
- [International GIS Day](#) - 18th
- [World Fisheries Day](#) - 21st



Official launch: Kholo Creek Catchment Platypus Park Project

Join the Kholo Creek Catchment Group for their first working bee at Platypus Park, Mt Crosby. This working bee will include a demonstration on various weed control techniques following on from the Weed Awareness webinar the week before. There will be opportunities to:

- learn more about the project and Kholo Creek Catchment Group's vision for the site
- get your hands dirty and practice new skills
- bring along a plant or 2 that you're unsure of for identification and get advice on what to do about it

Date: Sunday 8 November, 2020
Time: 7:45am for an 8am start
Location: Platypus Park, 18 Banksia Drive, Mt Crosby
BYO: Gloves, hat, water bottle, hand tools (secateurs, mini mattock, etc)

December 2020

- First day of Summer - 1st
- [International Day of People with Disability](#) - 3rd
- [International Volunteer Day](#) - 5th
- [World Soil Day](#) - 5th
- [Human Rights Day](#) - 10th
- [International Mountain Day](#) - 11th



(Picture source: [United Nations](#), 2020)

Grants at a Glance

Each of these grants has been vetted to ensure they are available to Creek Catchment groups and their goals.

For more details on opportunities to increase your groups financial sustainability read the monthly **Fill Your Bucket** enews!

[Gambling Community Benefit Fund](#) - Closes 31 October 2020

[Australian Geographic Society Project Sponsorships](#) - Closes 30 November 2020

[Harcourts Foundation Grants](#) - Closes 31 December 2020

[James N Kirby Foundation](#) - Closes 14 February 2021

[Lord Mayor's Community Fund](#) - Closes 11 June 2021 (or once funds are fully assigned)

[Google Ad Grants](#) - Ongoing rounds

[IGA Community Chest](#) - Ongoing rounds

[Roddenberry Foundation Catalyst Fund](#) - ongoing rounds

[Charity TV Global Grants](#) - ongoing rounds

Information, News and Resources

Community Conservation Partnership Programs coming to...Your City, Your Say

The Community Conservation Partnership Programs - Creek Catchments, Habitat Brisbane, and Wildlife Conservation Partnerships - are coming to the informative and interactive *Brisbane, Your City, Your Say* platform.

These pages will hold numerous resources - factsheets, templates, news - as well as provide tools for you to tell us your ideas, share stories and wisdom, and much more.

In order to be ready for these pages going live in late Spring we would like to invite you to [register with *Your City, Your Say*](#) (if you haven't already). Once you are registered please [email us](#) and let us know which programs you are a part of:

- Creek Catchment, and/or
- Habitat Brisbane, and/or
- Wildlife Conservation Partnerships.



Weeds to watch for now

Many weeds lay hidden until they burst into their flowering glory! This month keep an eye out for *Tecoma stans* a wide spread bushland weed that is very conspicuous at this time of year when in flower. As a species it is very easily dispersed via windborne seeds that can easily spread into bushland areas where it's fast growth pattern and fire tolerance make it a persistent threat to native woodlands.

The Weed Spotters Network also provides excellent month to month updates on what to look out for.

(Picture source: Brisbane City Council Weed Id Tool, 2020)



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