



**Tamar NRM**

# The Bulletin

March 2021

*We Make Stuff Happen!*

## Welcome to Bulletin No 3.

Welcome to our third edition of The Bulletin. Once again you can now see at a glance, how TAMAR NRM Makes Stuff Happen!

If you're thinking, "Hang on it's been ages since the last Bulletin came out!" you'd be right on target. In fact, it was August since the last Bulletin dropped into your Inbox.

## Farewell Greg Lundstrom

Well, after 5½ amazing years, our much admired and talented (not just in NRM but as a master of trivia and puns) Program Coordinator, Greg Lundstrom, is retiring from Tamar NRM. We are enormously grateful to Greg and his commitment to Tamar NRM. As we did with Gill, we're not letting him get too far away as we'll be inviting him to join our Reference Group.

Pretty sure he won't be laying low for too long!

## What you've Missed

In November, Alison Hugo ran a **BioBlitz** in Trevallyn Reserve. This project was funded by Bridget Archer, Federal Member for Bass, through the Community Environment Program.

We had people from all walks of life attend over the two days of the **BioBlitz**. With the help of local experts, they learnt to identify a huge range of flora and fauna, recording what they found and uploading the recorded data to the INaturalist.

Greg's **Carbon Neutral Farming** field days have been a huge success. The field days held in October and February were well attended and generated a huge amount of discussion around carbon sequestration, and the value of keeping carbon on farms for conservation and production.

Presentations and case studies can be found on the Tamar NRM website.

Another successful **Catch it in the Catchment** was held in November thanks to Trish Haeusler and her team from Plastic Free Launceston. An array of volunteers from throughout the Tamar region collected a huge amount of rubbish preventing it from entering the Tamar estuary.

In partnership with Launceston Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club of Central Launceston and the Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston, Tamar NRM has been running a **Tamar Valley Leaders' Lunches** series. The first two were held in December and February with Errol Stewart and Premier Peter Gutwein as our guest speakers respectively. The lunches have been a tremendous success and significantly lifted TNRM's profile in the business community. The next lunch will be held in April.

## Upcoming Field days and Workshops

We have two big field days coming up this month and we wanted you to be aware of them. Both are part of our Small Farm Roadmap Project, funded by the Australian Government through the National Landcare Project.

First up is the **Land Capability, Suitability and Sustainability Workshop**.

This workshop will be held on:

**Wednesday 17 March, 2021**

**10.00 am – 3.00 pm**

DPIPWE Prospect Offices

171 Westbury Rd, Prospect

The workshop will cover:

- Land resources information;
- Property Management Planning; and
- Human Skills and Business Sustainability.

We shall have a range of high quality presenters including:

- Rob Moreton – Senior Land Resources Assessment Officer, DPIPWE;
- Lauren Bird – Biodiversity Coordinator, NRM North; and
- Annette Reed – Tasmanian Natural Tomato and Garlic Farm.

If you'd like to attend, contact:

**RSVP: Nick Flittner on 6332 3310 or 0409 343 669**

Our next field day is **Native Grasses and Pastures Field Day**

This workshop will be held on:

**Wednesday 31 March 2021**

**9.00 am – 11.30 am**

"Lilyburn" 1504 Deddington Rd, Deddington

A BBQ breakfast will be served at 8.30 am if you'd like to arrive earlier.

Our presenters for the field day will be:

- Doug White – Lilyburn Property Manager;
- Dr Kerry Biddle – Ecologist and Agricultural Landscapes;
- Eric Hall – Pasture Specialist; and
- Peter Heading – NRM North

**RSVP: Alison Hugo on 6332 3310 or 0438 265 792**

## Save the Date:

Tamar NRM are excited to bring you:

**The Sustainable Living Festival 2021**

When: **Saturday 9 October 2021**

Where: West Tamar Precinct, Riverside

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