

Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



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NRM is the management of natural resources such as land, water, soils, plants and animals. It brings together land use planning, water management, biodiversity conservation and sustainability of industries such as agriculture, mining, tourism, fisheries and forestry.



River Action Plans for the Hotham and Williams Rivers

As part of the Newmont Boddington Gold and PHCC partnership, River Actions Plans (RAPs) and River Health Assessments (RHAs) are being planned for the Hotham and Williams Rivers.

It is proposed that the RAPs will involve assessments of the river foreshore in approx. 6 locations across the catchment which have significant community values and will inform proposed restoration works. The RHAs will provide a snap shot of the health of the river and a baseline prior to restoration works. It is planned the RHAs are conducted again after restoration works to measure change in river health over time.

PHCC will be getting in touch with the Shires, landholders and wider community to discuss these plans in the coming months.



PHCC were pleased to support the **Wandering Fox Hunt** in February; **13** teams, **158** foxes, **7** feral cats, **7** rabbits and **2** feral pigs. A great effort by all involved.

Coming Up...

LATE FEB / **Ranford Pool**
EARLY MARCH **restoration works**

15 MARCH **Farmers for Fauna event**
for landholders living adjacent to Dryandra. Initiations have been posted

APRIL **1080 baiting accreditation**
planned for April – if you are interested in attending please contact Christine. Townsend@peel-harvey.org.au

Do you have an NRM event you would like us to promote? Please contact Mel Durack at melanie.durack@peel-harvey.org.au or 0455 166 780

Greening Farms takes off in the Upper Catchment



PHCC's Regional Agricultural Landcare facilitator, Paula Pownall, will soon become a familiar face in our Upper Catchment.

Mel and Paula recently visited Trevor and Karen Wessels to talk about their project which will rehabilitate (previously cleared) rocky ridges on their farm.

Paula will visit the Hotham-Williams regularly to work with landholders as part of our Australian Government funded National Landcare **Greening Farms** Project.



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