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Active service awards for Upper Murray Landcare heroes

Landholders and community volunteers from the Upper Murray will soon receive prestigious Active Service awards in recognition of their dedication to Landcare.

More than thirty people with a combined involvement in Landcare of some 323 years (three hundred & twenty three years) will receive Active Service Awards as part of the 2006 North East Landcare Awards. One posthumous Award will also be made.

2006 marks the 20th year of the Landcare movement in Australia.

To mark the event, the North East CMA is hosting a celebration dinner and the 2006 North East Landcare Awards on Friday, 25 August.

North East CMA Landcare Team Leader, Mr Tom Croft, said Landcare was best known for tree planting and other on-ground works but the Active Service Awards highlighted the diversity of the movement.

“ These people have contributed in many different ways, ranging from supporting the establishment of new Landcare groups to organising ‘Feral Feast’ celebrations, constructing nesting boxes, developing remnant fencing programs and contributing to sustainable agriculture across the Region.”

Mr Croft said the Active Service Awards demonstrated the proud history of volunteering in the North East.

The Award is given to people who have freely donated their time and energy over five, ten, fifteen and twenty years of service to the Landcare cause or their local Landcare group

“ To date, the North East Landcare Awards have publicly acknowledged a group of local heroes with a combined involvement and service to Landcare in excess of eleven hundred (1100) years, “ concluded Tom.

The winners of seven other award categories will be announced at the 2006 North East Landcare Awards.

These additional Award categories are: Agency, Community Group, Indigenous Landcare , Individual Landcarer, Landcare Education, Nature Conservation and Sustainable Agriculture.

The Landcare Awards celebration is being held at the Wodonga Reception & Conference Centre on Friday, 25 August starting at 6pm.

◆ A full list of the 2006 Active Service Awards recipients is attached. A list of all previous recipients is available at: <http://northeast.landcarevic.net.au/awards>

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2006 North East Landcare Active Service Awards recipients

Title	First Name	Last Name	Group Name	City	Category	Catchment
Mrs	Louise	Bowran	Baranduda Landcare Group	Baranduda	10 Year	Kiewa
Mrs	Liz	Fuchsen	Baranduda Landcare Group	Baranduda	5 Year	Kiewa
Mr	Tony	Marsh	Baranduda Landcare Group	Baranduda	5 Year	Kiewa
Mr	Ron	Herbert	Baranduda Landcare Group	Baranduda	5 Year	Kiewa
Mr	Bob	Gough	Kiewa Catchment Landcare Group	Wodonga	5 Year	Kiewa
Mr	John	McIntyre	Yackandandah Landcare Group	Yackandandah	15 Year	Kiewa
Mr	Pat	Larkin	Edi Black Range Catchment Group Inc	Wangaratta	15 Year	Ovens
Mr	Ron	Briggs	Hodgson/Horseshoe Creeks Landcare Group	Everton Upper	15 Year	Ovens
Mr	Arthur	Bennett	Hodgson/Horseshoe Creeks Landcare Group	Everton Upper	15 Year	Ovens
Mr	Graeme	Norman	Hodgson/Horseshoe Creeks Landcare Group	Wangaratta	10 Year	Ovens
Mr	David	Westmacott	King Basin Landcare Group	Whitfield	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Chris	Arnold	King Basin Landcare Group	Cheshunt	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Shan	Rochfort	King Basin Landcare Group	Cheshunt	5 Year	Ovens
Mrs	Val	Carson	King Basin Landcare Group	Cheshunt	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Neil	Sheppard	King Basin Landcare Group	Whitfield	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Owen	Dixon	King Basin Landcare Group	Whitfield	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Alan	Hildebrand	King Basin Landcare Group	King Valley	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Thomas	Moritz	King Basin Landcare Group	Cheshunt	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Jack	Jones	Mudgegonga Landcare Group	Mudgegonga	5 Year Landcare Active Service (posthumous)	Ovens
Mr	Lindsay	Humphry	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Springhurst	15 Year	Ovens

Mr	Tony	Ransom	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Wangaratta	10 Year	Ovens
Mrs	Eileen	Ransom	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Wangaratta	10 Year	Ovens
Mr	Harvey	Benton	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Springhurst	10 Year	Ovens
Mr	Matt	Allen	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Wangaratta	10 Year	Ovens
Mr	Rex	Allen	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Wangaratta	10 Year	Ovens
Mrs	Mandy	Allen	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Wangaratta	5 Year	Ovens
Mr	Alby	McIntosh	Springhurst/Byawatha Hills	Springhurst	5 Year	Ovens
Ms	Annie	Marlow	Upper Ovens Valley Landcare Group	Harrietville	5 Year	Ovens
Mrs	Margaret	Jarvis	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Berringama	15 Year	Upper Murray
Mr	Malcolm	Jarvis	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Berringama	15 Year	Upper Murray
Mr	Linton	Vogel	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Cudgewa	15 Year	Upper Murray
Mr	Paul	Land	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Cudgewa	15 Year	Upper Murray
Mr	Greg	Albert	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Cudgewa	15 Year	Upper Murray
Mrs	Sue	Josipovic	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Lucyvale	10 Year	Upper Murray
Mr	Jon	Josipovic	Cudgewa Creek Catchment Landcare Group	Lucyvale	10 Year	Upper Murray
Mrs	Lyn	Coulston	Upper Murray Farm Tree Group	Koetong	20 Year	Upper Murray