

What's On in June?



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- What does the future hold for farm & ecosystem management?
- What are the global trends affecting agribusiness?
- How do we deal with change and growth?

Further Info: Contact Principle Focus 1800 631 695 or www.principlefocus.com.au

CWCMA Soil Management Workshops "Making the most of the RAIN that falls"

What: One day workshops run by Dr David McKenzie focussing on understanding your soil and how to improve soil moisture retention.

| Workshop | Date | Location |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Coonabarabran | 17 th June 8.30-3.30 | Dan Sheridan's property "Mia Mia" Coonabarabran |
| Dunedoo | 18 th June 8.30-3.30 | Stephen Nott's property "Oakfield" Dunedoo |
| Mudgee | 19 th June 8.30-3.30 | TBA |
| Wellington | 24 th June 8.30-3.30 | Wellington DECC Office, Warne St Wellington |
| Orange | 25 th June 8.30-3.30 | TBA |
| Bathurst | 26 th June | TBA |

Further info: For more information about the workshops or to RSVP contact Neroli Brennan on 6880 8028 or 0428 692 713

AgriFocus 2025 National Convention

When : June 18th-19th

Where: Crowne Plaza, Coogee Beach

What: The Convention aims to take delegates into the future to understand how Agribusiness may look in 15 years time and ask the big questions;

- What does the future hold for the agribusiness sector?
- What does the future hold for the family farm?

World Environment Day

When: Thurs 5th June

What: WED is the principal vehicles through which the United Nations stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment and enhances political attention and action.

The World Environment Day slogan for 2008 is ***Kick the Habit! Towards a Low Carbon Economy***

More info: www.unep.org/wed/2008

WeaLth & Drought Preparedness Workshops

Stipa Native Grasses Association will be running the following workshops, with no cost to participants.

| Date | Workshop | Location |
|-------------|--|-----------|
| Tues 3 June | Financial Options for Drought Recovery and Water Supply Planning | Nyngan |
| Wed 4 June | Water Supply Planning | Orange |
| Thur 5 June | The Road Ahead & Pasture Identification & Management | Tottenham |
| Tue 10 June | The Road Ahead & Pasture Identification & Management | Peak Hill |
| Wed 11 June | The Road Ahead & Pasture Identification & Management | Gilgandra |
| Tue 17 June | Grazing Management | Peak Hill |
| Wed 18 June | Grazing Management | Bathurst |

More info: Including times, venues, agenda and to RSVP, contact Angela Roberts, Stipa Native Grasses Association 0424 228 725.

Conservation Farming Tour

When : Thurs 5th June- Fri 6th June

Where: Lower Macquarie catchment area between Dubbo & Nyngan

What: Bathurst Merino Association in conjunction with Central west CMA is running a two day tour of lower Macquarie catchment, focussing on

- No-till farming
- whole farm planing
- fencing methods
- pasture & grazing management
- modern stud breeding options

More info: Contact Rob McLeod 0427 311 973 or Hugh Webb 0427 259 633

CWFS Application Technology & Spray Drift Management Workshop

When & Where: Tues 25th June—Condobolin
Wed 26th June—Bogan Gate

What: These workshops are designed to assist growers and applicators develop a deeper understanding of the relationship between droplet size and the target, the mode of action of the product and the conditions for spraying

Cost: \$40 CWFS members, Non-members \$50

More info: Joy or Katrina 6895 1025

Climate Change Information

A report of Climate Change released by CSIRO and Bureau of Meteorology on the most current and up to date research can be obtained on www.climatechangeinaustralia.gov.au

Country Energy 6th Annual Landscape Art Prize

What: Australia's richest annual landscape art prize. Artists encouraged to enter all artistic styles, mediums and contexts, ranging from figurative to abstract, charcoal to traditional oil paint.

Where: Open to anyone who lives within Country Energy's network area.

When: Entries close 22nd July. Finalists will be chosen in August 2008.

For more info:

http://www.countryenergy.com.au/internet/cew_ebpub.nsf/Content/u_com_art+prize

Spatial Information eXchange (SIX) Viewer

The SIX Viewer enables users to display and question a wide range of spatial (location based) information including aerial photography, satellite imagery, property, and geographic information

<http://imagery.maps.nsw.gov.au/?role=mystate>

Diary Dates



2nd June: Entries close for 2008 Dorothea McKellar Poetry prize

Further info: www.dorothea.com.au

3rd June: Financial Options for Drought Recovery workshop- Nyngan

Further info: Angela Roberts 0424 228 725

4th June: Water Supply Planning workshop- Orange
Further info: Angela Roberts 0424 228 725

5th June: Pasture Identification & Management workshop- Tottenham

Further info: Angela Roberts 0424 228 725

5th- 6th June: Conservation Farming Tour- Lower Macquarie Catchment

Further info: Rob McLeod 0427 311 973 or Hugh Webb 0427 259 633

10th June: Pasture Identification & Management workshop- Peak Hill

Further info: Angela Roberts 0424 228 725

11th June: Pasture Identification & Management workshop- Gilgandra

Further info: Angela Roberts 0424 228 725

17th June: Grazing Management workshop- Peak Hill
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17th June: Soil Management Workshop- Coonabarabran
Further info: Bree 6847 2923 or 0418 119 289

18th June: Soil Management Workshop- Dunedoo
Further info: Colleen 6372 8906 or 0427 926 144

18th - 19th June: Agrifocus 2025 National Convention
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19th June: Soil Management Workshop- Mudgee
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24th June: Soil Management Workshop- Wellington
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25th June: Soil Management Workshop- Orange
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26th June: Soil Management Workshop- Bathurst
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25th-26th June: Application & Spray Drift Workshop- Condobolin & Bogan Gate

Further info: Joy or Katrina 6895 1025

Money Matters

Central West CMA Cultural Heritage Incentives

The Cultural Heritage Incentive is to provide assistance to land managers to conserve, restore and manage the cultural resources on their land. Activities funded under the program can be negotiated on a site by site basis. Applications will be assessed on merit; however, preference will be given to on ground activities linked with other CMA incentives and / or programs. For further information or obtain applications please contact your local CMA office

NSW Environmental Trust

The NSW Government's Environmental Trust invites applications to grant programs for Environmental Restoration and Rehabilitation and Protecting our Places Aboriginal Grants Program. To obtain application and guidelines visit their website: www.environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au or phone 8837 6093

Australia Post Community Development Grants

Funding of up to \$3,300 (GST incl) is open to community groups from across Australia to help to improve their local community and environment. The flexibility of this funding allows Groups to directly fund community projects, buy much need tools or equipment, or help raise awareness and encourage more community involvement.

For more information:
www.landcareonline.com/funding_opportunity_details.asp?fo_id=9

2008 Community Heritage Grants

Grants of up to \$15,000 are available to community groups around the country to help preserve and manage locally held, nationally significant cultural heritage collections of documents and objects for future generations. For more information, guidelines & application forms go to www.nla.gov.au/chg

Junior Landcare Grants

Through the Landcare grants Program, any school or organisation can get students involved with Landcare groups to target major issues relevant to our natural environment.

Funding is available for the issues including: water quality/conservation, school gardens, land, biodiversity, waste reduction/recycling. More info at www.landcareonline.com.au

The **NRM Toolbar** is a set of online tools and databases that will make it easier for NRM professionals to find and share relevant information. Have a look at www.nrmtoolbar.net.au

Country Women's Association Emergency Grants

Community grants of up to \$3000 are available to community groups, schools and not-for-profit organisations to help meet the costs of holding events and providing support to drought affected communities. Individual grants of up to \$2000 per households are available to drought affected families in rural areas. For more information phone 9358 2923

Professional Advice and Planning Grants

Grants up to \$5,500 are available to assist drought affected farm businesses to access professional advice to assist their drought management and recovery processes. For more information and to apply contact your local Centrelink office, the Drought Assistance Hotline on 13 23 16 or visit the Professional Advice and Planning Grant page on Centrelink's website.

Westpac Operation Backyard

Grants are available to community groups around the country to help implement local projects that incorporate staff volunteers from local Westpac branches.

Landcare Australia administer the grants so for more information visit their website www.landcareonline.com.au

FRRR Small Grants for Small Rural Communities

Applications for small grants are currently being accepted for projects that benefit people in rural and remote communities.

Projects focussing on community hardship in drought affected areas, retention on young people in rural and regional Australia and community infrastructure will receive preference in the current round of funding. Applications close on 30 Sept 2008. More info www.frrr.org.au

Vibrant communities...healthy landscapes

What's On ...in June and Money Matters

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