



Attendees on the Wildlife Corridor Walk at the Koala Conservation Centre at the start of the walk

## 2018 Calendar of events

- Sep 25:** Race Track Tree planting  
(Note date change from 18th Aug)
- Dec 2:** AGM, carbon farming & lunch.

We hope you can join us at our final events this year. Further information can be found on our website or by contacting David Rooks, on 0418 115 935, [david@eventsupport.com.au](mailto:david@eventsupport.com.au)

### Annual General Meeting

Our annual general meeting will be held at Churchill Island on Sunday December 2. The AGM will be at 11.00 am with a walk / presentation on carbon farming to follow. A scrumptious lunch will then be served. Please note the date in your diary.

### New Logo



Our new Logo

After many years we've updated our logo, which supports the Australian Landcare Logo. We are also creating an image that reflects our local identity to be

used alongside our new logo where appropriate. eg letterhead, advertising etc. It is in draft form and we would like you to tell us what the caption should be to best reflect what we do. Send your ideas to David Rooks.



### Springtime Bush Dance

Mary Whelan, (one of our members), is initiating a Bush Dance to be held on Saturday October 6 at the Cowes Cultural Centre.

Music starts at 7.00, supper at 9.00, dancing till 11.00. A variety of traditional dances with a Dance Caller teaching the steps. Enjoy a great night with Maggie Duncan and the Chestnut Orchestra. Organised by Bass Coast Pickers / The Bass Coast Acoustic Music Club.

Bring a plate to add to the shared supper. Profits from the event go to Phillip Island Landcare.

Those interested in attending can purchase tickets by logging on to

'TryBooking' [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)

Profits from the event go to the Phillip Island Landcare. We hope you can support this new event. Ticket prices are \$15.00 single, \$35.00 family, \$2.00 for extra children / young ones.

### Successful Grants

Our group successfully applied for the Barb Martin Bushbank grant. Funding will go towards a multi-purpose trailer and improve previous plantings at two of the Island properties.

Geoff Trease, has successfully applied for a Community Re-Veg grant for the 2018 / 19 season. Funding is available for rural owners for weed control, subsidised fencing and tube stock. Please contact Geoff on: [geoff.trease@basscoastlandcare.org.au](mailto:geoff.trease@basscoastlandcare.org.au) or phone, 0437 011 638 to express an interest in this funding.

### Wildlife Corridor Walk

A successful group event with 60 people walking our Wildlife Corridor from the Koala Conservation Centre to Swan Lake. Presentations along the way by landholders provided further insight into the history of the Corridor. The feedback on the walk identified areas requiring attention. Something we intend doing in 2019

*Kitty Miller Wetlands from our Wildlife Corridor Walk.*



## Membership

Membership for our 2018 / 19 calendar year is now due. At last years AGM we updated our membership offer to better reflect our membership base. You can now join as a student for **\$15.00**, a single person for **\$25.00** or as a family **\$37.50**. There are two steps to your membership renewal.

### Step 1:

Complete the online form at <http://www.basscoastlandcare.org.au/phillipisland.html>

(Paper based members will receive a renewal form in the mail).

### Step 2:

EFT your membership fee:  
BSB: 633 000

Acc No: 1445 851 06

Acc Name: Phillip Island  
Landcare Group Inc

**Remember to enter your name so we know who it's from.**

## Tree Plantings

Our final tree planting day this season has a date change. The new date is Tuesday the 25th September. We will be joining the South Coast Taxi's on their corporate planting day at the Race Track from 10.00am.

To attend RSVP to David Rooks



*Around 20 people have attended each of our three tree planting days this season at the Cleeland, Mc Fees and Davie's property.*

## Bushbank Plant Vouchers

As members of our group you receive 10 free plants, (30 for new members), each year from the Barb Martin Bushbank. You should have received your plant voucher from us back in April. If not in email, contact David Rooks on [david@eventsupport.com.au](mailto:david@eventsupport.com.au) and we'll send your voucher to you. Plants may be picked up Wed and Thurs 9.30 am – 3.00 pm or by ringing Candice Ochsenscham on 0427 897 448. You have until end of September to pick up your plants.

## Totally Renewable Phillip Island

Our group is participating in the recently formed 'Totally Renewable Phillip Island' project. Potential areas of interest for our group include carbon farming, building sustainable communities and reducing agricultural greenhouse emissions. Joel Geoghegan (staff), [j.geoghegan@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:j.geoghegan@basscoast.vic.gov.au) phone: 0409 705 652 and Bhavani Rooks (committee) [bhavanir@tpg.com.au](mailto:bhavanir@tpg.com.au) phone: 0457 148 921 are our representatives on this project. Feel free to contact them to further discuss this new and exciting project for our Island.



## THE SANDHILLS —

*A snippet of our Landcare story in poetry.*

We were sitting round the table  
at a Landcare meet last year  
when a problem was presented  
that we didn't want to hear  
Apparently some kids had been  
uprooting trees, for fun  
from a planting in the sandhills  
that we did in '91  
They'd pulled a hundred trees out  
left them lying on the sand  
So we put our heads together  
evil retribution planned  
We talked about replacements  
or maybe putting up a fence  
to stop these kids who seemed to  
have so little common sense  
And through the meet John  
Jansson  
sat and listened as we tried  
to think of something, anything,  
to avenge the plants that died  
And when at last he spoke,  
he didn't say put up more signs  
John gave us all the answer in  
two simple words; "LAND  
MINES"  
So if you're young and stupid,  
pulling seedlings out of sand  
Here's a bit of free advice;  
**BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU  
STAND**

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