

Landchat

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2015 John Winter-Irving Bequest awarded to Mark Fisher

During December Southern New England Landcare congratulated Agricultural Science teacher Mr Mark Fisher, of New England Girls School, on winning the 2015 John Winter-Irving Memorial Bequest.

The John Winter-Irving Memorial Bequest is for use as a study grant in the field of sustainable agriculture, natural resource management, or rural development and leadership.

The \$1250 bequest is kindly donated by Mrs Ona Winter-Irving and family, and was awarded at Southern New England Landcare's Christmas function in Armidale.

Steve Harvey, President of Southern New England Landcare said, "Mark Fisher has a high regard for Landcare and is an innovative educator with a passion for sustainable land management."

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The school's agricultural facilities include a Charolais cattle stud and show steer feedlot, Dohne and White Suffolk sheep, Berkshire pigs, poultry, fruit orchard and an organic vegetable enterprise.

"It is hoped that the produce grown and reared by Mark's students will be utilised in the school kitchen with excess produce sold to the broader community," said Sara.

"Mark is dedicated to a program that reflects sustainable practices," she said.

"Just recently, he was successful in obtaining funding for a sustainable watering system for the agriculture plot, and he has plans to develop a large-scale composting system to utilise kitchen waste, equestrian centre manure and garden waste and to use this resource to improve the schools soil health," she said.

Mr Fisher is also expanding opportunities for his students by providing pathways to agriculture and natural resource management degrees at the University of New England.

Southern New England Landcare congratulates Mr Mark Fisher, and looks forward to hearing about his work over the coming 12 months.

Peter Metcalfe wins Coordinator's Choice Award

Peter Metcalfe has been awarded the 2015 Southern New England Landcare Coordinator's Choice Award. Announced at the SNE LCC Christmas Party, this award acknowledges Peter for his extensive voluntary input to Landcare events and projects, and for his ongoing provision of expertise, mentoring and leadership.

Peter's environmental expertise is the result of a lifetime of interest. His acquired knowledge of things related to plants, birds and vegetation ecology in the New England region (not to mention other parts of Australia!) has greatly enriched the understandings of many 'landcarers', regardless of their affiliations.

For many years, Peter has been involved with the work of the Armidale Tree Group, Southern New England Landcare, the Armidale Branch of the NSW National Parks Association. He has also enlightened many trainee teachers in the importance of our natural environment and a multitude of ways to bring a love of learning into the world of others. Furthermore, he is a respected leader of nature tours to other parts of Australia.

In addition, Peter has recently been a valuable part of Southern New England Landcare's Master Tree Grower Course and Agroforestry Peer Group Mentoring project. This project has seen a number of people become peer group mentors for local landholders wishing to develop agro-forestry projects on their properties.

Peter's multitude of skills in this area provided a great asset to this 'leadership training'.

Peter is also now a valuable member of the SNE Landcare Board, helping keep our organisation on an even keel and moving forward into a rewarding future.

Thank you Peter, for bringing what you do.



Peter Metcalfe on the job



Landchat - Landcare in Southern New England

Landcare welcomes new staff member in Armidale

This week, Southern New England Landcare welcomes Mr Charlie Carruthers to their team of dedicated staff members. Mr Carruthers comes to Landcare with an Applied Science degree and 15 years' experience in natural resource management.

Mrs Karen Zirkler, Southern New England Landcare Executive Officer, said, "The breadth and depth of Charlie's professional experience will enable him to successfully undertake the position of Landcare Coordinator very competently, and we are all looking forward to having him on board."

Mr Carruthers has worked for both State Government departments on large scale projects, and as an independent consultant.

"I have delivered several aquatic habitat planning and rehabilitation projects, a highlight of which were two years as the Native Fish Strategy Coordinator for southern NSW and the ACT," said Mr Carruthers.

"I have also undertaken soil mapping, classification and research, and coordinated Australia's largest River Rehabilitation program across Southern NSW," he said.

"My work has enabled me to develop a comprehensive understanding of the natural resource management

framework in NSW, and I believe my experience in engaging communities, coupled with a sound understanding of key sustainable agriculture issues in the Southern New England will certainly help me deliver on the key objectives of the position," he said.

The NSW Government has provided \$15 million over four years to renew the government-community relationship and unlock the full potential of the thousands of volunteers in the Landcare network.

The program reflects the sentiment of the Memorandum of Understanding between Local Land Services and Landcare NSW. It has been designed to put Landcare on a more sustainable funding footing, with the majority of the funds going to community-based local coordinator positions.

It is a new commitment to support regional Landcare Networks and local groups and will not be allocated for on-ground works.

This activity is part of the Local Landcare Coordinators Initiative. The Local Landcare Coordinators Initiative is funded by the NSW Government, and is supported through the partnership of Local Land Services and Landcare NSW.

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services funds four community projects for SNEELCC & its groups

In December 2015 the Northern Tablelands Local Land Services announced funding for four Small Community Grants to be facilitated by Southern New England Landcare during 2016.

The **Armidale Urban Rivercare Group** has \$4,000, to run a community awareness day and establish another creek side planting east of Taylor Street in Armidale. These activities continue the Group's long term project to restore riparian vegetation along Armidale's Dumaresq Creek.

The **Uralla Rivercare Group** will revise their plans for Uralla and Rocky River Creeks with their \$5,000. They will be working together with scientists and the local community to plan for future riparian works.

Two bus trips will be run by **Southern New England Landcare and InSight Ecology**, using a \$5,000 grant, to showcase and build landholder capacity to design, implement and manage native revegetation for woodland birds. Tours to local properties will showcase established re-vegetation and managed woodlands which provide viable ecological services (as indicated by the birds present) to surrounding land.

These three projects are part of the \$25 million of National Landcare Programme investment that the Local Land Services is delivering to boost farm gate productivity and improve environmental health across NSW

A '**Horses for Courses**' workshop on sustainable management for grazing horses on small acreages will utilise a grant of \$3,800. This workshop will target residents of peri-urban areas

of Armidale, Uralla, Guyra and Walcha. The workshop will run on a Saturday towards the end of 2016, most likely in October or early November. This project is part of the \$26.5 million of Catchment Action NSW investment that Local Land Services is delivering to enable better management of our water, soil, vegetation, biodiversity and cultural heritage

All these projects involve community-based events so keep an eye out for advertising involving any of the projects.



Moths, Magpies & Marsupials

Project Surveys for Woodland Birds

A highlight of the Moths, Magpies and Marsupials project has been the two woodland bird surveys conducted during 2015

The aim of the project was to promote the protection of native biodiversity (especially woodland birds) and the restoration of their habitat on farms and smaller holdings across the region. This, in turn, helps improve ecosystem health and farm productivity by providing windbreaks, soil erosion control, climate change effect mitigation, and ecosystem services enhancement supplied by birds and insects.

The surveys were undertaken by specialist ornithologist Andrew Huggett and took place in May (autumn) and November (spring) to observe as many migratory and sedentary species as possible. The surveys took place on each of the 12 project sites where landholders were undertaking revegetation and remnant habitat conservation works.

Why birds?

Birds are a key indicator of the response of land systems to revegetation and habitat protection activities and of ecosystem health generally. This knowledge is used around the world to help inform and guide programs to rehabilitate and restore degraded lands for nature conservation and sustainable farming. This work targets sites on these properties where revegetation has been undertaken and is proposed to be carried out, as well as nearby remnant forest/woodland. This allows comparisons of bird communities present in planted sites with those in the remnants.

Highlights

A total of 37 sites on 12 properties were surveyed for birds over seven days during the period 9-19 November, 2015, from south of Walcha to the north and east of Armidale (see map). Of these sites, 15 were remnants, 16 proposed revegetation, four existing revegetation (five to nine years old), one mixed proposed and existing revegetation, and one mixed remnant and revegetation. Bird surveys were undertaken by Andrew in the morning and afternoon periods when bird activity was at its highest. Some landholders accompanied Andrew on the surveys while all landholders provided access to sites and helpful land use information.

A total of 84 bird species and 1,537 individual birds were recorded in the survey. This compared with 64 species and 1,127 birds detected in the May-June 2015 survey. These were a mix of open country species, birds that fed and sheltered in existing planted strips, and birds of

forest/woodland remnants.

Birds most frequently recorded at recently planted and fenced sites were hardy common species typically associated with more open habitats such as paddocks and stockyards - Eastern Rosella, Australian Magpie, Australian Raven and the introduced Common Starling. Most sites that were proposed for planting and fencing in the May-June survey had been completed or were in the process of being revegetated by the time of the November survey.

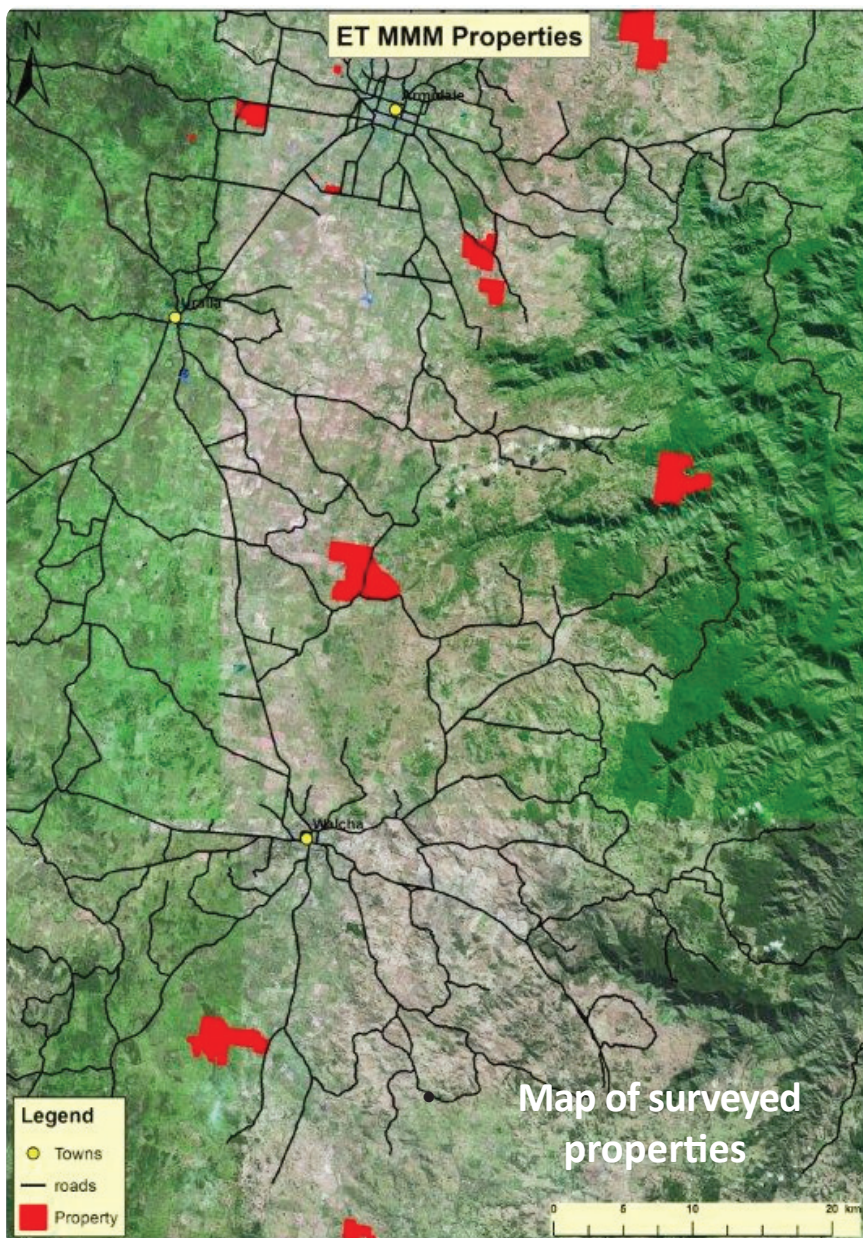
Birds frequently recorded foraging and/or sheltering in existing revegetation planted five to nine years ago included Noisy Miner, Red-rumped Parrot, Common Starling, Australian Magpie, Superb Fairy-wren, Willie Wagtail, Yellow-rumped Thornbill and Yellow-faced Honeyeater.

A mix of planted native shrubs and eucalypts and remnant eucalypts and exotic hawthorn along Pinegrove Road at Invergowrie supported 14 species (43 individual birds), including some found in woodland/forest remnants such as Striated Thornbill, Rufous Whistler, Grey Fantail and Yellow-faced Honeyeater.

Birds that require larger, more complex (including the presence of tree canopy, shrub and ground cover layers) and relatively intact habitats were recorded only in the remnant sites. These included a core of woodland/forest birds that have been confined to these important patches of bushland by earlier clearing for agriculture. Examples included three threatened species – Scarlet Robin, Varied Sittella and Speckled Warbler, a group of species that have declined in abundance and have become more patchy in their distribution, primarily in response to habitat loss, alteration and fragmentation – the summer breeding migrants Satin Flycatcher, Leaden Flycatcher, Dusky Woodswallow and White-winged Triller and residents Eastern Yellow Robin, Grey Shrike-thrush and Striated Thornbill, and other significant species such as Superb Lyrebird, Australasian Pipit, White-throated Needletail (a migratory swift from Asia), Satin Bowerbird, Rufous Songlark, Peregrine Falcon and Wedge-tailed Eagle.

Bird events and activities

Various events and field days that offer a range of activities for people interested in bird identification and surveying, restoring natural ecology and increasing biodiversity in farmlands will be held in the coming months, so watch www.snelandcare.org.au and the media for more information as it becomes available. Funding from the project will provide a report available for our community in 2016.



Recently revegetated sites provide habitat for small birds



Friends, Armidalians, Countrymen: Lend us your Beds!

SNELCC is calling for members to lend us their beds for the upcoming Landcare Adventure here in Armidale and Uralla on 11-12 May 2016.

SNELCC hosts the two day event once every 5-6 years or so and this year, for a little something extra, we are offering billeting as an option to our participants. We see this as a great way for people to connect to the broader Landcare network – one of the key aims of the event.

Billetters would need to meet and greet their billets in Armidale from 5.30pm onwards on the 11th May, and would be welcome to attend the evening's events including canapes and entertainment for free, even if they are not attending the whole two day event.

Please RSVP to mail@snelcc.org.au by 31st March if you have a room (double/single beds) available within 30 minutes of Armidale and would like to put your name down as a billetter.



The Koalas are coming!

Southern New England Landcare recently engaged specialist ecologists to survey 11 participating landholder sites for signs of our local iconic species, the Koala and Eastern Spotted-tailed Quoll. The survey was undertaken over the summer months by professional ecologist Steve Debus with assistance from PhD student Heidi Kolkert.

Surveys were undertaken on the basis of tree species present (for koala food) and the occurrence of logs or rocky landscapes preferred by Quolls, along with habitat assessment, call playback, spotlighting and camera trap detection.

Results show koalas are present on eight out of the 11 properties surveyed. The results were mostly supported by scratches and scats (droppings), although one koala was detected by call playback (a male responding to the artificial call).

Interestingly, the results were all positive for the sites that contained high value remnant vegetation containing primary koala feed trees and habitat. One koala was sighted by a landholder and captured by camera.

No Quolls were detected, but are likely to occur in the vicinity of properties where there is potential for enhanced connectivity with existing reserves (Oxley Wild Rivers National Park and Imbota Nature Reserve). SNEELCC has since been contacted by a small number of landholders who have had signs or sightings of quolls on their property (mostly around the Wollomombi area).

No koalas or quolls were detected by the remote cameras. However, the detection of a probable Sugar Glider and a Brushtail Possum, a Wallaroo and Bearded Dragon on a few of the properties indicate valuable wildlife habitat values at these sites.

The field survey results, together with landholder sightings, suggest that there were fairly recent occurrences of probably itinerant individual koala(s) through key remnant corridors and a potential resident though wide-ranging koala population, at low density, in the vicinity of Yina Nature Reserve and adjacent properties.

The connected bushland between Donald Road, Herbert Park Road and Rockvale Road is also a key habitat corridor with koalas recorded on properties in and adjacent to this area.

In conclusion, koala habitat usage appears to be highest where remnants are large and well-connected, and where the woodland is dense and composed of multiple species of koala food trees. Potential habitat that is isolated, but where habitat and connectivity would be enhanced by plantings of koala food and shelter trees, in conjunction with a community program to increase connectivity are desirable to assist local koala populations.

Overall, the properties where koalas and other arboreal mammals (possums, gliders) were detected are indicative of high wildlife values, which could be improved with suitable plantings to provide food, shelter and connectivity.

Koala seen by a landholder at Herbert Park



A female wallaroo captured on camera



A bearded dragon disguised on a log



A vegetation corridor planted as part of the project



This project has been funded through the NSW Environmental Trust.

SNELCC hosts 18th Annual Landcare Adventure - Smart Farm, Smart Town

There are currently so many advances in technology, changes among our landcare networks and new approaches to sustainable agriculture, productive enterprises and supporting rural and regional communities – and the 17th Annual New England North West Landcare Adventure on 11-12 May will be such a great place to catch up on it all!

Make a note of the date:

Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May 2016!

This year's event, to be held in the Armidale and Uralla area and hosted by Southern New England Landcare, will offer you a peek into a leading-edge SNELCC project – farmer to farmer peer group mentoring. There are signs that governments are taking notice of this method, where farmers are paid to help other farmers in a one to one or small group way.

Demonstrations and discussions around technological breakthroughs in on-farm monitoring, weed detection, stock management, pastures and land management will take place at the University of New England's Smart Farm at Kirby Research Station.

An evening of socialising and networking, inspirational talks and discussions, and a taste of Armidale cultural opportunities will follow, where key individuals who have contributed much to the movement will be recognized.

Day Two will be 'on tour' to find out what's behind Uralla's Z-Net project: a zero net emissions rural community project and how our personal lives can adopt sustainable answers to everyday energy and communication challenges of rural, regional and remote living. Local community members in Uralla and Armidale will also showcase some exciting new and very smart concepts they have kick-started to ensure sustainable community resources and a healthy, clean urban and rural environment.

An action-packed Adventure awaits! Bookings will open soon and in the meantime we look forward to providing more updates on our Landcare Adventure itinerary. Watch www.snelandcare.org.au and the e-newsletter for regular updates as the program comes together.

The 18th Annual New England North West Landcare Adventure

"Smart Farm-Smart Town"

11th-12th May 2016
Southern New England Landcare
Armidale & Uralla

Visit UNE's 'Kirby' to see the latest in Smart Farm technology.
See how farmer to farmer peer mentoring is a smarter way for a local Agroforestry group.

Celebrate local 'Smart Achievers' at the Adventure Dinner & Awards.
Show off your smartypants dance moves with latin band 'SoulSa' (tbc)

See how Uralla plans to go 'off the grid' with Z-Net and smarten up its economy when the Brewer and the Butcher team up!

Experience creekland tranquility created by award-winning Armidale Urban Landcare Group

\$145 pp (landcare member) or \$195 pp (non-member) includes tours, handouts, meals and billeted accommodation.

More information and registrations soon at www.snelandcare.org.au or phone your local New England or North West landcare network.

The Landcare Adventure is an annual event in the New England or North West of NSW. Open to everyone and anyone. It brings communities from across the region together, enabling them to connect, network and experience first-hand, achievements in sustainable agriculture and natural resource management.

Stock 'n' Chat at Guyra and Armidale Saleyards

Southern New England Landcare has partnered with The Ascent Group to provide a series of Stock 'n' Chat stands at the Guyra and Armidale Saleyards, to help make up-to-date technical and personal support information available to help rural people in drought recovery.

Stock 'n' Chat stands kicked off at the Guyra Saleyards for the Sheep and Lamb Show and Sale on the 17th February. Dr Lewis Kahn & Deb Maxwell from ParaBoss were on hand to answer questions regarding internal parasites of sheep. Barber's Pole Worm and Liver Fluke got a bit of an airing, presumably given the moister season around Guyra. Stock 'n' Chat sponsored a much appreciated BBQ, with nearly 100 people refuelling for the rest of their day and having a bit of a socialise before heading on.

Future Stock 'n' Chat stands will be at **Guyra Sheep and Lamb sales** on Wednesdays 16th March, 20th April and 18th May.



The first Stock 'n' Chat at **Armidale Saleyards** will be at the weekly cattle sale of Thursday 3rd March. 'Is it Fit to Load?' will be the focus and vouchers for the canteen will be available to people stopping in for a chat at the Stock 'n' Chat stand. Additional Stock 'n' Chats at Armidale Saleyards will be 8th April (weaner sale), 5th or 6th May and 2nd June.

Funding for these events have been provided by The Ascent Group using the Australian Government's Drought Support Package.

For more information please ring the SNELCC office on 6772 9123.



Deb Maxwell (centre) and Lewis Kahn (right) from ParaBoss provided expert advice on parasites of sheep.

Who wants a 'get-together', but doesn't know where to start?

Are you new to the area, or have developed an interest in a sustainable agriculture or natural resource management topic?

Are you part of a SNELCC group that has lapsed due to seasonal circumstances or lack of help, or not had a reason to get together for a fair while?

If, yes to any of the above, you are not alone!

SNELCC Coordinators have been assisting a number of groups to get started or to get some stumps back under them.

So, come join the fray and get started by:

- **having a chat with us in the office**
(Level 1, 319 Beardy St Armidale - up the stairs next to the Colour Copy Centre in the East Mall)
- **phoning us for a chat** (on 6772 9123)
- **emailing us**
(mail@snelcc.org.au)
so we can get back to you and address your needs.



Invitation: Biodiversity and Best-use Planning for Small Farms

31st March 2016, 9am-1.30pm, “Kenilworth”, Guyra

Biodiversity and Best-Use Planning for Small Farms is being held on the 31st March, 2016. This will be a half-day farm planning style event specifically aimed at landholders with smaller acreages (but also welcoming primary producers).

Out in the paddock, Derek and Fiona Smith, of “Kenilworth” will showcase methods they have used to balance biodiversity and productivity. Shane Andrews will facilitate discussion around farm planning and best use options – including stock rotations, cropping options, infrastructure placement, agroforestry and using climatic indicators for predicted seasonal conditions and pasture growth. Dr Andrew Huggett (of InSight Ecology) will talk about woodland birds as indicators of habitat health.

Then, back inside for morning tea and a session for participants to work together on farm planning in ideal situations, followed by ‘real world’ planning for your own property.

Senior Landcare Coordinator at SNELCC, Ruth Tremont, points out that the Environmental Trust

sponsored Landcare project; “Moths Magpies and Marsupials - promoting on-farm biodiversity” and the joint Southern New England Landcare/Northern Tablelands Local Land Services “Improving Water Quality and Creating Protected links across the greater catchment of the Guyra Plateau” projects are drawing to a close.

“These projects involving landholders from throughout southern New England have initiated many ideas, concepts and discussion around the best way neighbouring landholders can combine to develop sound land use management practices that build healthy river catchments and linking vegetation corridors that support high levels of biodiversity,” said Ruth.

“There is now the opportunity to present some of the ideas and concepts to our community for further discussion and sharing, which is the reason we are organizing this event,” she said.

Watch our e-news for more details or phone SNELCC on 6772 9123 to ask questions and book a place.

Funding available through Local Land Services

Applications are now open for two funding opportunities through Local Land Services.

1. On-ground Partnership Revegetation Projects offered by Northern Tablelands LLS. Large scale revegetation projects that protect and manage vegetation along waterways, plant shelter belts or wind breaks, improve habitat for threatened species, protect and manage existing native vegetation or protect paddock trees and encourage natural regeneration are all eligible activities. Groups or individuals can apply for up to \$40,000.

Expressions of Interest close 16th March!

2. \$3 Million Pest and Weed Drought Funds through NSW LLS. Funding is available to help reduce grazing pressure and stock losses from pest animals and reduce the spread of weeds.

Applications close 4th April!

More information and forms at www.northerntablelands.lls.nsw.gov.au/our-region/grants-and-funding.



Free “Beyond the Gate” Skills Training for Rural Groups

New and refresher Chem Cert training was recently run at the Woolbrook Hall. This event was free to landholders and funded, as part of the Australian Government’s drought assistance package, through Centacare.

Similar accredited training events can be organised by SNEELCC, in collaboration with Centacare, for your group.

Accredited Chem Cert training is one course on offer but you may prefer to access other accredited courses such as:

- first aid
- working in confined spaces
- chainsaw operation and safety
- quad bike safety
- escorted vehicles ticket and/or
- other short courses which may be important to you and your livelihood.

Interested?

Contact the SNEELCC office
by phone 6772 9123 or
email to
mail@snelcc.org.au
or call
Cally Earl Smith at Centacare on 0476 828 889.



A large poster for 'Beyond the Gate' Chem Cert Training. The background is a photograph of a rural landscape with a large tree and hay bales under a sunset sky. A red circle in the top left corner contains the word 'FREE' in white. The text 'Centacare New England North West' is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Below it, 'Beyond the Gate' is in a very large, bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, a dark green banner contains the text 'Chem Cert Training' and 'New and Refresher' in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

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Centacare New England North West

Beyond the Gate

Chem Cert Training
New and Refresher

Biz ReBoot Workshop Series

Article provided by Tracy Pendergast, Armidale Business Chamber

What if one great idea could catapult your business to new heights? Where would you get this idea? And how would you develop it?

Could a potent brand - with regional, national or global appeal help your business? How 'bout converting customers into passionate brand ambassadors, and getting thousands of dollars of media exposure without spending thousands?

This is where Greg Alder comes in. Greg is the former creative director of Leo Burnett and other leading advertising agencies. He has spent decades helping some of the world's biggest brands. Now resident in northern NSW, Greg brings you a complete toolkit for re-imagining your business story.

Starting in March, the Chamber - with the support of Armidale Dumaresq Council - will present a series of workshops, led by Greg to inspire new creative thinking about your business. If you'd like to fast track ideas into innovations with commercial value, this is the series for you!

The 7-part BizReBoot Series includes:

- Creating a culture of creativity and innovation - and getting a clear return on every dollar invested in creativity
- Your Toolkit - a creative thinking tool to make idea generation faster & easier

- The Innovation Express - turning ideas into innovations
- Innovation Incubation - continuing the innovation process, this workshop examines whether your best idea might be a new technology, or a process, accounting or customer practice : and how to make it real
- The Brand Lab - your brand vision, values, attributes, purpose and connectors - and how to work them into every component of your business to you an edge
- Brands in Space - taking your brand to the world (whether it's local, national or global) via digital marketing
- Simple export marketing tools that can help you tap into inbound tourism - or export opportunities

**BizReBoot begins March 23,
5.30pm - 7.30pm.
(Then the 4th Tuesday of each month
to September).**

**Cost for Chamber Members - \$355 -
Non-Members \$710 (that's a quarter of
the RRP).**

**For more information and bookings,
visit armidalechamber.com.au**

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New Website on the way

Southern New England Landcare is currently overhauling its website so you may notice changes in the near future.

The new site will allow members to login through a member portal to access more detailed information.

Groups will be able to set up and add to their own group page, and online memberships will be enabled, among other things! It's all very exciting so keep an eye on it at www.snelandcare.org.au.

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SNELCC Inc Meeting

Wednesday 18th May 2016

at

Guyra

(time & venue to be confirmed)

Please RSVP by

Friday 13th May 2016

for catering purposes

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