

# TLCA Highlights & Grants

## Grants on the Grapevine



### Caring for our Country

Caring for our Country is the Government's new natural resource management program. It is designed as an integrated package with one clear goal, a business approach to investment, clearly articulated outcomes and priorities and improved accountability. It commences on 1st July 2008 and will integrate delivery of the Commonwealth's existing natural resource management programs, the Natural Heritage Trust, the National Action Plan for Salinity and Water Quality, the National Landcare Program, the Environmental Stewardship Program and the Working on Country Indigenous land and environmental program. Information has been provided from <http://www.nht.gov.au>.

### Community Coastcare Grants Program

Small grants of up to \$50,000 and Larger targeted grants of up to \$250,000 are available to help local

communities better protect our precious coastal environment as part of the \$2.25 billion Caring for our Country initiative of the Australian Government. Check [www.nrm.gov.au/funding/coastcare.html](http://www.nrm.gov.au/funding/coastcare.html) for more details. Community groups, schools, clubs and individuals may all apply. Applications close **Friday 25th July, 2008**.

For details on local and regional specific grants and incentive schemes available around the state, contact your local facilitator (see back page) or visit the TLCA website.

### Tasmanian Landcare Fund—autumn round closed

Congratulations to the following applicants on their successful submissions.

- Blackmans Bay Primary School
- West Launceston Primary School
- St Aloysius Catholic College
- Tasmanian Land Conservancy
- Huon Valley NRM Committee

Learn more about how the grants program works or how you can support the fund by visiting [www.taslandcare.org.au/tlfgrants.html](http://www.taslandcare.org.au/tlfgrants.html)

### 2008 Landcare Assistance Program Grants are all gone

The grant monies for 2008 have been allocated. Once again uptake of the grants by our members has been excellent.

If you missed out this year, ensure your 2008/09 membership is current, your previous monies received have been acquitted and get your application in early in 2009. Your group's volunteer work deserves to be supported so don't wait until it's too late.

### Your Membership - 2008/2009

It's that time of year again. Your membership is due if there is a membership enclosed with this newsletter. Please complete and return with your payment to ensure your group continues to receive the benefits it currently enjoys.

Thank you to our members who have already paid their subscriptions.

### Weeds and Herbicides—Free Training—June 18th & 19th

Includes: weed id, management and treatment, basic chemical preparation, application & safety rules. Visit our website for more details and an application.

[www.taslandcare.org.au](http://www.taslandcare.org.au)

# TLCA Updates

### Southern 'Care' Community Project finishes on a high note

This project will come to a close in June. The past two years has been a great success with the recent Most Significant Change Story-telling trial getting excellent results in looking at how community capacity has changed. We've also been able to provide southern groups and facilitators with support and training in the area of action planning; allowing the valuable work done by volunteers to be integrated into the bigger regional picture and improving the sustainability of groups. The materials developed are being updated and will continue to be available for download on the website or by contacting the office from early July.

### Action Planning moves forward

'Care' groups who want to clarify what they want to do, when and how or need help translating existing larger management plans into workable onground actions are planning with Roadmap to Results. From Flinders Island to Bruny Island groups across the

state will reap the benefits of planning well.

### Tasmanian Awards for Environmental Excellence

The Extra Hands volunteer program and the Tasmanian Landcare Fund, both initiatives of the Tasmanian Landcare Association have been nominated for the Tasmanian Awards for Environmental Excellence in the education and community categories. Winners will be announced on 30th May 2008 and will proceed to the National Banksia Awards.

### Indigenous Training Course—Bruny Island

Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about our indigenous peoples and their culture at a training workshop on Sunday 15th June at the picturesque "Murrayfield" on Bruny Island. There are only 10 places available so check out the enclosed registration form, fill it in and post it to us by Thursday 5th June—no later. If allocated a space, you'll be contacted by phone. You can even stay on for

the General Committee meeting on Monday morning.

### Our Executive Officer is leaving for a while.....

Jodie Epper your executive officer is taking a well deserved break for the 12 months beginning 1st of September. What is she doing? Where is she going? Join us at Murrayfield, Bruny Island and ask her for yourself. Can't attend the whole thing? That's alright, just come for dinner Sunday 15th June or breakfast Monday 16th. For more details please contact the office.



### General Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 16th June  
Time: Meeting 10am—1pm  
Lunch provided  
Venue: Murrayfield  
Bruny Island  
Block out the time in your diary today! Please RSVP for catering requirements.



# NRM Contacts

## Position Vacant

Executive Officer:  
Tasmanian Landcare Association  
(12 month contract) Download  
the position description from  
[www.taslandcare.org.au/  
resources.html](http://www.taslandcare.org.au/resources.html) Applications  
close 5:00pm – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

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Volunteer Program

When you want to do it!

Extra Hands is a casual, no  
obligation volunteer program  
that brings people together to  
care for Tasmania's unique places  
and spaces. Through Extra  
Hands you can access over 700  
volunteers to assist YOU to care  
for our land, water and coast.

For further information visit  
[taslandcare.org.au/extrahands](http://taslandcare.org.au/extrahands),  
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Try [www.nrmmtas.org](http://www.nrmmtas.org) for more contact info and links to other useful sites.

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# News

## Learning from the experience of community 'care' groups

In our last issue you heard the  
basics of the 'Most Significant  
Change' (MSC) Pilot program.  
Well, the community has spoken.  
Over 40 interviews from a cross-  
section of volunteers covering all  
types of community 'care'  
groups across the southern  
region, have told us their story.  
The response has been fabulous  
and I'd like to thank all of those  
who participated.

The trial has successfully  
promoted not just the work of  
our volunteers but also what's  
required for groups to be  
successful and sustainable.

The two-level selection process  
has improved the understanding  
of decision makers and field staff  
to the dynamics of community  
'care' groups in the south, as the  
40 stories have filtered down to  
nine. From there the top 3 stories  
were chosen as representative of  
the southern NRM region. The  
nine stories were provided by the  
following groups with the top  
three highlighted.

- Newtown Rivulet  
Catchment Care Group
- Upper Coal River Landcare
- Orford Community Group

- Tranmere-Clarence Plains  
Land & Coastcare
- Southern Beaches Landcare &  
Coastcare



Volunteers with a passion for nature – Friends  
of Conningham Nature Recreation Reserve

- Friends of Conningham  
Nature Recreation Reserve
- Friends of Adventure Bay
- Upper Derwent Valley  
Landcare
- Midlands Tree Committee

More information and a selection  
of the stories will shortly be  
available on our website.  
[www.taslandcare.org.au](http://www.taslandcare.org.au)

Thanks to NRM South and the  
Australian Government's  
Natural Heritage Trust for  
funding this important work  
with community.

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