

MUDCRABS CALENDAR

JANUARY-JUNE 2018

The Mudcrabs are mainly involved in two types of activities:

1. **Bush reconstruction and regeneration** including the planting of local, indigenous native plants and weeding & maintenance of selected sites along the Cooks River. Canterbury and Marrickville Councils support this work by providing some of the tools and plants. Our aim is to attract local people living near these sites to become involved in the planting and maintenance.
2. **Clean-ups and litter removal** of sites along the Cooks River. This work is mainly done at Marrickville Golf Course (at end of Alfred St) and alongside Canterbury Race Course (at the end of Broughton St)

Some of the dates may change but people will be notified by email if this happens.

See next page for general information about Mudcrabs and location of all sites

General River Clean-ups

Marrickville Golf Course – Sunday 4 March (Clean Up Australia day) 3.00-5.00

Canterbury Racecourse Site - Saturday 7 April.....9.00-12.00

Bush Reconstruction & Regeneration

Foord Ave

Sunday February 11..... 8.00-10.00
 Sunday March 11 8.00-10.00
 Sunday April 8.....9.00-11.00
 Sunday May 13.....9.00-11.00
 Sunday June 10.....9.00-11.00

Rosedale Reserve

Sunday January 28..... 8.00-11.00
 Sunday February 25..... 8.00-11.00
 Sunday March 25 8.00-11.00
 Sunday April 22 8.00-11.00
 Sunday May 27 8.00-11.00
 Sunday June 24 8.00-11.00

Ewen Park

No scheduled working bees
 See insert overleaf

Cup & Saucer Creek Wetlands

Saturday April 21.....8.30-10.30
 Saturday June 23.....8.30-10.30
 See inset overleaf

Gough Whitlam Saltmarsh

Saturday February 10.....8.00-10.00
 Saturday March 10.....8.00-10.00
 Saturday April 7.....8.00-10.00
 Saturday May 12.....8.30-10.30
 Saturday June 98.30-10.30

Wave Rock - Golf Course

Wednesday February 7.....8.00-10.00
 Wednesday March 78.00-10.00
 Wednesday April 49.00-11.00
 Wednesday May 29.00-11.00
 Wednesday June 69.00-11.00

Thornley St Marrickville

Saturday March 10.....9.30-11.30
 Saturday May 129.30-11.30

Landcare Group-Golf Course

Sunday January 28.....9.30-12.30
 Wednesday February 28.....9.30-12.30
 Sunday March 25.....9.30-12.30
 Wednesday April 18.....9.30-12.30
 Sunday May 27.....9.30-12.30
 Wednesday June 27.....9.30-12.30

General information about the Mudcrabs

- There are a lot of sessions on the calendar but people are not expected to come to all sessions – pick what suits you. Drop in at any time during the allocated sessions.
- For the clean-ups, it's a good idea to wear gumboots or old shoes, as it can be pretty messy!!
- Tools, gloves, insurance cover and refreshments are always provided.
- **To be included on the email list or make enquiries, contact mudcrabs.cooksriver@gmail.com**
- **Get general information from Mudcrabs website: www.mudcrabs.net.au**

Mudcrabs work sites

Marrickville Golf Club Wave Rock Bush Reconstruction and General Clean Up Sites

Meet on edge of golf course in small park at the end of Alfred St, Marrickville or next to 17th fairway.

Canterbury Race Course (General Clean Up)

Meet beside bicycle track alongside the end of Broughton St, where it swings around to become Charles St, Canterbury.

Gough Whitlam Saltmarsh

This is a tidal saltmarsh constructed by Council in 2008. Saltmarsh likes a high tide environment and acts as a breeding ground for molluscs and other crustaceans. The Mudcrabs are working with Canterbury-Bankstown Council on weeding and planting. There are two sites located in Gough Whitlam Park, Earlwood between the cricket oval on Bayview Ave and Wanstead Reserve. It is very close to Tempe Railway Station.

Rosedale Reserve

This is the first revegetation site the Mudcrabs started nearly 13 years ago. A lot of work over that time has produced a wonderful stretch of native bushland along the river. The site still needs ongoing maintenance and care. Access is via the pedestrian/cycle path half-way between the Brighton Ave and Burwood Rd Bridges, and via the footbridge at the end of Beamish St. Campsie. Car access is via Hampton St or Riverside Rd, Croydon Park. The group meets at the change rooms near Riverside Rd.

Foord Ave

This site was chosen as an example of a sandstone outcrop that was overrun by non-native plants. The site had been nominated as a good site needing regeneration and revegetation in Doug Benson's book "Missing Jigsaw Pieces: The Bushplants of the Cooks River Valley" and Doug has provided guidance and support for this project. It is on the pedestrian/cycle path at the end of Foord Ave, Hurlstone Park and car access is via Foord Ave & Keir Ave. Hurlstone Park.

Ewen Park Bush site

After eight years of great work by volunteers, this site's maintenance needs are currently low, so regular working bees are no longer necessary. If help is needed over the coming calendar cycle, the co-ordinators will put out a call by email. In the meantime, please come and enjoy a walk along the site's rambling paths.

Cup and Saucer Creek Wetlands

This constructed wetlands has now reached a point of revegetation where only a small number of working bees are necessary. If extra sessions are needed over the coming calendar cycle, the co-ordinators will put out a call. In the meantime, please come and enjoy a walk around this great wetlands.

Thornley Street Children's Garden maintenance

The native garden established by the kids at May Murray Early Childhood Centre is on the north side of the river, behind 66A Thornley St. We weed it every 2-3 months.

Landcare Group – Marrickville Golf Course

This is a Landcare group, supervised by Inner West Council with participation by some Mudcrabs members. The site is a revegetated bushland remnant behind the 18th hole and adjacent to the clubhouse. Entrance to the Golf course is at the corner of Wharf St and Beauchamp St, Marrickville.