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Super Saturday shares turtle project



On 15 March, our first Super Saturday of the year was attended by 24 people.

The group had the privilege of learning about the Turtle Island project from Earthcare Park Landcare's Chair, Eric Huber, and gaining insight into their important work in protecting freshwater turtle nests. Marion Lugg also shared her expertise on the unique characteristics and variations of Geebung (Persoonia spp.), while Winsome Lambkin led an engaging, interactive discussion about creeks and the fascinating stories behind their names.

It was a fantastic day filled with valuable insights and lively conversations. Stay tuned for more exciting topics and events later this year!

Our Super Saturday Sessions (held 9am-12noon on selected Saturdays) are a great opportunity to check what's new at the Landcare and Sustainable Living Centre, umali barai-ku, at Booragul and give you the opportunity to talk and socialise with other Landcarers and glean ideas for your site.

Still to come in 2025:

- 14 June - Amanda Hyde LLS Tocal - 'Hunter Estuary Wetlands'
- 12 July - 'Plant Identification'
- 25 October - 'Munibung Hill'

Spotlight on Landcarer, Carmel Brown

Carmel Brown is the Team Leader of Catherine Hill Bay Landcare and committee member of the Hunter Region Landcare Network (HRLN), and recipient of the prestigious John Hughson 'Soaring with the Eagles' Award at the 2024 Lake Macquarie Landcare Network Environmental Excellence Awards.

Carmel was interviewed recently by the Hunter Region Landcare Network's The Scoop and shared her motivation for Landcare and the great work being done at her site.

Carmel has dedicated herself to Landcare at Catherine Hill Bay for over twenty-four years and has made a lasting, significant impact on her local community and the district. After being a regular volunteer for over ten years, Carmel took on the Team Leader role for Catherine Hill Bay Dunecare in 2013. Under her guidance the group has been tireless in their efforts to address invasive weeds, plant native species, maintain pathways and look after the heritage areas. Through the challenges of harsh weather, erosion, vandalism of trees and fluctuating volunteer numbers, the team has remained resilient.

The full interview with Carmel can be found on the HRLN website at <https://hunterlandcare.org.au/soaring-with-the-sea-eagles/>



Carmel Brown (Photo courtesy of HRLN)

What does Landcare mean to you?

"I just love Landcare. It's so great! I've met local people, made friends and learned about the endemic plants of the area. We've planted out sites with native species and created educational areas, to show people how the bush should look in its natural state."

National Volunteer Week - invitation to celebrate

You're invited to join us for a Landcare National Volunteer Week Celebration to give thanks to all of our wonderful Lake Macquarie Landcare volunteers. The day will include certificates of appreciation, lunch and workshops focusing on live and preserved invertebrates (minibeasts!).

See flyer information on adjacent page.

To maximise opportunities for participation, we'll be holding two workshop time slots, each accommodating up to 30 participants. The workshops are scheduled around the Certificate of Appreciation Ceremony and lunch, allowing all attendees to mingle and celebrate together during the lunch break.

When: Tuesday 20 May

Morning session: 10:30am-1pm

Afternoon session: 12pm-2:30pm

Where: Landcare and Sustainable Living Centre, umali barai-ku, 80 Toronto Rd, Booragul

Bookings essential by 12 May, preference given to currently active Lake Macquarie Landcare volunteers. Register your spot through Eventbrite or call 4921 0392.

Additionally, if you'd like to celebrate with other volunteers from across Council, there will be a Council-wide Volunteer Celebration later in the week, with the Mayor and Councillors in attendance. This event is on 21 May 2-4pm at the Windale Hub and you can [register on Eventbrite](#) for it also. It's a great chance to connect with the broader volunteer community and be recognised for your valuable contributions.



Lake Macquarie Landcare

National Volunteer Week Celebration

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RSVP by Monday 12 May through [Eventbrite](#) or by calling the Landcare office on 4921 0392. Preference given to currently active Lake Macquarie Landcare volunteers.



National Volunteer Week
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Coal Point Celebrating 30 years

This year marks 30 years since Coal Point Progress Association Landcare started their regeneration efforts at the Gurramba reserve in 1995. In the years since, the group have grown to over 20 members, working across 12 different Landcare sites and undertaken award winning projects such as the Threatened Species Last Stand project that won the group the Peabody Energy Environment and Landcare category of the NSW Regional Achievement & Community Awards in 2015. CPPA Landcare are unified in their commitment to the local environment and are one of the longest running and geographically largest Landcare groups in the city.



Warwick Way Gullies Landcare update

By Peter Morris, Warwick Way Gullies Team Leader

In the past few months, I have worked several times at my site, alone and with the Green Team. We have removed Lantana, Bitou and Asparagus fern in these sessions and discovered a number of native species regenerating including a Bleeding Heart Tree, Breyntia and multiple Bangalow Palms. Careful weeding around regenerating natives helps to restore the local species of the site.

We have also seen evidence of a range of wildlife using the site including wallabies, frogs, lizards and many birds. The site contains important habitat including hollows and we are careful to avoid disturbing wildlife by leaving patches unweeded. The growing diversity encountered provides ample motivation to continue Landcaring!



Breyntia growing through poisoned Bitou



Wallaby scat



Found new Bangalow Palm and weeded around it



Warners Bay celebrating 25 years

Written by Rob Loughran of Warners Bay Landcare

Warners Bay Landcare's mission statement is:

- To help the community to better manage the three catchments of Warners Bay;
- To protect or, where necessary, rehabilitate the natural vegetation of the riparian zones of these creeks, so as to create wildlife corridors and reduce adverse impacts on Lake Macquarie;
- To educate the community about how to protect the natural vegetation of the area.

Over the past 25 years Warners Bay Landcare has been involved with three government-funded projects, local (community) issues, education (schools and the public), annual national events, as well as weekly conservation activities within three Warners Bay catchments. Planting and weeding have been carried out in the North Creek catchment around Feighan Oval and along tributaries, along Warners Creek (at present being rested because of lack of members to carry out work), and on both banks and flood plain of South Creek, including Bunya Park.

Annual activities have included National Tree Day planting and Clean Up Australia Day, usually with the help of Warner Bay Rotary Club and members of the public. Working bees for weeding and planting are held usually every week, often with the help of the Lake Macquarie Landcare Green Team.

The generous help of Lake Macquarie City Council since 2000, and grants from both State and Federal Governments is gratefully acknowledged.



Above (top): site of group's first planting event 25 years ago

Above (bottom): the same area today with grown trees

How Liveable is Lake Mac?

A biennial survey is currently underway in Lake Macquarie to help understand what matters most to local residents, businesses, and community groups. The 2025 Liveability Census will survey thousands of people across the country over the next three months to gather insights on priorities and identify areas that may need more attention or funding. The responses from Lake Macquarie will be compared to national results and those from similar areas. The 2023 Census showed that 81% of people were satisfied with their local neighbourhood, with the natural environment being the top value for the community.



Make sure your voice is heard between 30 March and 30 June, 2025. You can find more information and complete the survey at https://survey.placescore.org/s3/lc25?channel=nsw_lakemacquarie

Encouraging Myrtle Rust Resistance in Lake Macquarie

Lake Macquarie Landcare is working with researchers from the Sydney Botanical Gardens to help improve the resilience of Broad-leaved Paperbarks *Melaleuca quinquenervia* to the impacts from Myrtle Rust *Austropuccinia psidii*.

Originating from South America, Myrtle Rust entered the country in 2010. It spreads via wind and water, infecting a wide range of species in the Myrtaceae family by attacking new growth, flowers, and fruit - often leading to dieback. The impact varies between species and even individual trees, with some showing natural resistance and others dying from infection.



Above: Paperbark seedlings affected by Myrtle Rust (left and middle); Seedling showing resistance (right)

Melaleuca quinquenervia is widespread along the NSW coast, but Lake Macquarie populations have been hit particularly hard. Mature trees are impacted and little recruitment of new seedlings is happening.

Lake Macquarie Landcare and researchers from the Sydney Botanical Gardens are working together to identify *Melaleuca quinquenervia* trees showing resistance to the fungus. Seeds from these trees are grown in the Landcare nursery, and the surviving tubestock are re-introduced to the area. The goal is to replace declining trees with resistant individuals and encourage the growth of future generations with similar resistance.

Recently, 60 resistant seedlings were planted at a Landcare site in Belmont (see story on page 11). Sydney Botanical Gardens researchers collected tissue samples and tagged each plant for long-term monitoring to track their survival and growth outside the nursery.

This project is a great example of Landcarers and scientists working together to help save a species. Our Landcare volunteers will play a vital role - preparing sites through weeding and mulching, planting resistant *Melaleuca* tubestock, and contributing to the ongoing care and monitoring of the site.



Right: Planting day at Cold Tea Creek wetland site, where Myrtle Rust resistant paperbarks were planted and will be monitored

Green Team out and about

The Green Team are well booked for May and June, helping groups with their weeding efforts and other site maintenance. There are days available in July and August and Team Leaders are encouraged to request support days.

Each Landcare group can be supported with two Green Team visits per financial year. However, active groups who submit their work diaries can apply for further assistance. If there is room in the calendar once the first round of entitlements are filled, we will consider providing additional support.

Please contact Landcare staff on lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au or 4921 0392 to book your friendly Green Team visit.

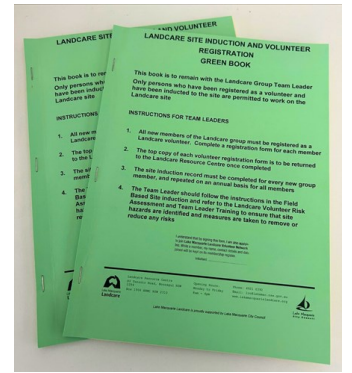


Landcare Site Induction and Volunteer Registration Forms

A reminder for all Landcare groups to please ensure that new volunteers complete the Landcare Site Induction and Volunteer Registration Green Book forms (also referred to as Green Sheets) when joining the group. In some cases, long-standing volunteers may need to update their details by filling out these forms again.

These are important Work, Health and Safety records and are vital in ensuring that volunteers continue to be covered by Council's and Landcare's Personal Accident insurance.

If you do not have a Green Book or need further assistance, please contact the Landcare office on 4921 0392 or lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au



Make a Difference Week



Make a Difference Week, hosted by the Society for Ecological Restoration (SER), is an annual week of global restoration action where individuals and organizations from around the world host and participate in local volunteer restoration events. Make a Difference Week is being held this year from 31 May - 8 June. SER collects data from all of the local events hosts in order to demonstrate the incredible positive impact that globally coordinated local action can have on the world's ecosystems.

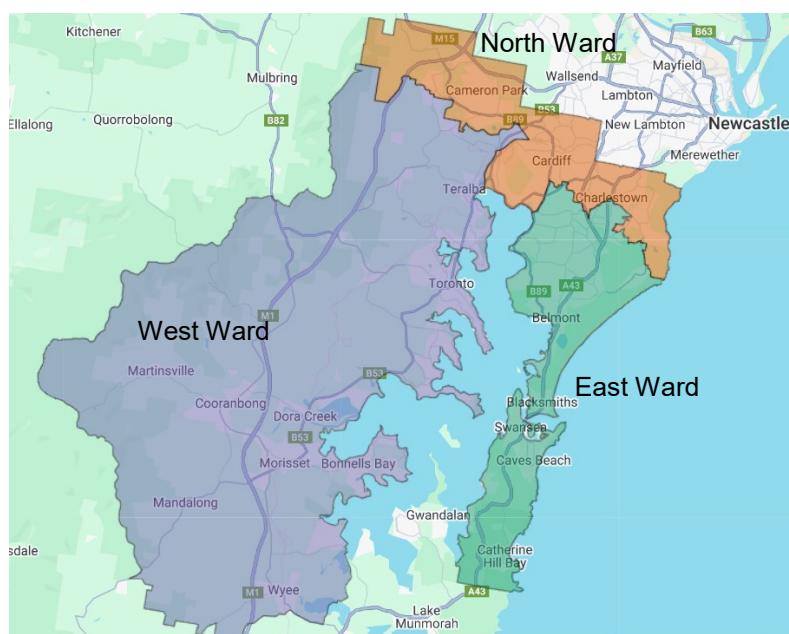
There are two ways to get involved with Make a Difference Week — either by hosting a volunteer restoration event during the week, or by volunteering with a local restoration event near you. This is a great opportunity for your Landcare efforts to become part of an intentional positive global impact, and can be an inspiring message to share with the community.

You can register any working bees planned within this week at the Make a Difference website <https://makeadifferenceweek.org/register-an-event/> and contact the Landcare office at lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au or 4921 0392 for any promotion or support materials.

Landcare groups seeking members

The following groups would like to attract new volunteers. If you would like to advertise or update your group's details on this page and our website, please contact us on 4921 0392.

The groups have been organised under wards and suburbs to make them easier to locate, especially for those wishing to volunteer close to home (see map at right of wards in Lake Macquarie).



West Ward Groups

Suburb	Group	Meeting Time	Contact Details
Bolton Point	Awaba Bay Landcare	1st Sun of each month, 9am-12noon, The Ridgeway between Bolton Cl & Fulton Cl	LML 4921 0392
Carey Bay/ Coal Point	Coal Point Progress Association Landcare	Every Thursday 8am-12:30pm	LML 4921 0392
Dora Creek	Dora Creek Landcare	Minnie Street or Boat Ramp - every Tuesday 9am – noon at one or the other	LML 4921 0392
Eraring	Eraring Landcare	Variable	LML 4921 0392
Fennell Bay/ Bolton Point	Kooroora Bay Landcare	8.30-11.30am, every 2nd Wednesday of the month (please call to confirm)	LML 4921 0392
Holmesville	West Wallsend District Landcare	Varies	Robynne 4953 3401 or 0429322051
Mirrabooka	Dandaraga Road - Fishery Point Landcare	1st Thursday or 3rd Saturday of each month.	Email Wilma on wilvk123@gmail.com or call LML 4921 0392
Morisset	Lakeside Retirement Village Landcare	Varies - several times a month	LML 4921 0392
Morisset Park	Lake Petite	Varies	LML 4921 0392
Sunshine	Sunshine-Silverwater Landcare	1st Saturday & 3rd Thursday mornings of each month	LML 4921 0392 or email Marion melugg2@gmail.com
Toronto	Toronto Lions Park	2nd Friday of the month, 8-10am	LML 4921 0392
Toronto	Toronto Greenway Landcare	Every Sat from 8am.	LML 4921 0392
Wangi Wangi	Dobell Drive Reserve Landcare	2nd Sun of the month 8am –10am	LML 4921 0392
Wangi Wangi	Myuna Bay Landcare	2nd Fri of the month, 9am – 12noon.	LML 4921 0392 or email rmontgomery962@gmail.com
Wangi Wangi	Wangi Ridge Preservation Board Landcare	Sun, 8-10am, meet at water tank at Cres Rd	LML 4921 0392
Wyee Point	Wyee Point Reserve Landcare	Varies - see Wyee Point Reserve Landcare Facebook page	LML 4921 0392

North Ward Groups

Suburb	Group Name	Meeting Time	Contact Details
Cardiff	Afton Close Landcare	2nd & 4th Sat of month 9-12, end of Close	LML 4921 0392
Charlestown	Flaggy Creek Landcare	2nd Sat of the month, 8am, meet at corner of Kaleen & Wakal Sts	Robert Gibson 4943 7486
Highfields	Highfields Landcare	Variable	LML 4921 0392
Kahibah	Kenibea Landcare	Variable	LML 4921 0392
Kotara South	Tathra Landcare	Variable Sundays 8-10am. Meet at end of Neerim Ave	LML 4921 0392
Lakelands	Biddabah Creek Landcare	Every Monday 8:30am	Vina 0437 492 387
Macquarie Hills	Torrens Avenue Landcare	Varies	LML 4921 0392
Rankin Park	Central Rankin Park Landcare	Wednesdays, Sundays	LML 4921 0392
Whitebridge	Fernleigh Track Whitebridge	1st Sat and 3rd Fri of month, 8 -11am. Fernleigh track rest area, entry from Paterson Close, Whitebridge.	LML 4921 0392
Whitebridge	Whitebridge Balireh	Varies	LML 4921 0392

East Ward Groups

Suburb	Group Name	Meeting Time	Contact Details
Belmont	John Fisher Road	Varies	LML 4921 0392
Blacksmiths	Blacksmiths Marks Point Pelican Sustainable Landcare group	Varies, usually meet Tues 8:30am Grannies Pool Carpark	Greg 49714808
Catherine Hill Bay	Catherine Hill Bay Landcare	First Mon of the month, 3-5pm at Carpark at Graveyard Beach	Carmel Brown 0438 499 636
Eleebana	Stobbart Creek Landcare	Every three weeks, 8:30-10am	LML 4921 0392
Floraville	Floraville Ridge & Rainforest Reserve	Variable	Winsome 0431 968 315
Jewells	Ballantrae to Halewood	Varies	LML 4921 0392
Valentine	Allambee Gardens Reserve Landcare	Last Sun of month 2-4pm	LML 4921 0392
Valentine	Green Point Foreshore Reserve Landcare	Every Wed 8-11am	LML 4921 0392
Warners Bay/ Eleebana/ Lakelands	Warners Bay Landcare	Usually 1st Sun, 2nd Thurs and 3rd Fri of the month, 9am-12noon	LML 4921 0392

*** Have your group details changed? Please contact Lake Macquarie Landcare on 4921 0392 to update ***

Fridays in the Field/ Friday Focus on Facebook

Follow us on Facebook to see our regular segments 'Fridays in the Field' and 'Friday Focus' with Landcare staff. Here are some snippets from recent weeks.

14 March - FRIDAY FOCUS on a vigorous, tenacious weed, intra-agency co-operation, and a committed Landcarer by Wendy

Syngonium sp. is a particularly fast-growing weed capable of smothering all layers of native vegetation. If it gets into a creek system, it is all but impossible to eradicate.

Team Leader, Nicky, has been working hard to control an infestation on her Landcare site that has been growing around a drain feeding into Dicks Creek below. The drain needed digging out by Lake Macquarie City Council crews ahead of the forecast wet weather, but there was great risk that this process might cause weed fragments to be washed down into the creek where they would almost certainly establish and cause a problem beyond our ability to remediate.

Luckily, the City Works crew embraced our cause and helped us not only by working carefully to avoid fragmenting and spreading the plant but also by scraping up the surrounding infested soil and encasing it to solarise. They did a beautifully neat job on a very difficult site, which has boosted our control efforts.

What a great example of co-operation! Special thanks to the City's Works team for being so willing, careful, and helpful.

18 April - Friday's in the Field with Wendy

We had a very cute experience during morning tea at Central Rankin Park Landcare the other day when a Lappet Moth Caterpillar (pictured at right) climbed into Gary's lap, rested its little beard on his pocket, and apparently went trustingly to sleep. This raises an interesting question: do invertebrates truly sleep? Well, we will be able to ask an expert when the Travelbugs mobile minibeasts visit in May for Volunteer week, bringing their zoological collection of extraordinary insects, and a lifetime of knowledge.

Other invertebrates found recently include a cool Forest Scorpion *Cercophonius squama* (photo bottom right) spotted under some weeds by keen eyed Dave at Kalinda Close Landcare and this lovely Common Grass Yellow Butterfly *Eurema hecabe*, (photo bottom left) snapped by Stephanie in the nursery. Insects make the world go round!



Community and conservation at Cold Tea Creek

On 11 March our dedicated volunteers and staff from Lake Macquarie Landcare and Belmont Wetlands State Park came together to plant 160 native species at the Cold Tea Creek Landcare site, located beside Belmont Lagoon.

It was a wonderful morning of knowledge sharing and friendship as the team worked together to protect and restore our local environment. The experience fostered collaboration among like-minded individuals, united in their commitment to conservation, and it was inspiring to see new connections form through a shared purpose. After a morning of hard work, everyone enjoyed a well-deserved morning tea by the creek, complete with delicious home-baked treats from Team Leader, Winsome Lambkin.

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the planting, and to building more connected communities.



New video about wildlife monitoring

Lake Macquarie Landcare is monitoring wildlife on our Landcare sites to help inform best practice regeneration of our sites and support wildlife habitat. We've made a little video to showcase some of the techniques Landcare groups are using to become better acquainted with the wildlife on their sites. Thank you to Sharyn Coleman for providing footage for this video. You can watch the video on our Facebook page or Youtube channel at <https://youtu.be/MgasGZcLOew>

If you would like help with monitoring wildlife on your Landcare site please contact Wendy at the Landcare Office. We have motion-sensor cameras and next box monitoring cameras you can borrow with our instructions and support. We are currently working on a first-in, first-served basis, so get in quick to reserve your place in the queue.



Wildlife monitoring on Lake Macquarie Landcare sites
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A closer look at weeds in our Landcare sites

These stunning macro photos by Landcarer John Sharples show two weeds that commonly impact Landcare sites. These garden escapes, while both invasive, have very different growth habits and impact native plants in different strata.

Could you guess the weed species from these photos alone?

Weed 1, Spanish Moss *Tillandsia usneoides*, is often spread by birds using it as nesting material. This plant thrives by attaching itself to trees and can smother native species in the canopy. On the other hand, Weed 2,

Ground Asparagus *Asparagus aethiopicus*, is easily recognisable in the field by its brightly coloured berries. This aggressive ground cover is known for outcompeting native plants in lower strata, further challenging biodiversity in the region.



Keeping in touch with Lake Macquarie Landcare

At Lake Macquarie Landcare we like to engage with our Landcare community in diverse ways. Please like us on Facebook and sign up to our fortnightly e-newsletter - this is the best way to keep up to date with our news and events and opportunities for engagement.

You can subscribe to our fortnightly e-news online at www.lakemacquarielandcare.org.au or email us at lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au

If you have suggestions for how you would like to see us engage with you, or have ideas for sharing information about your group, we would love to hear them! Please email lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au

Please keep engaging with Lake Macquarie Landcare through these channels:

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Asbestos awareness

Occasionally, asbestos may be uncovered during works at our Landcare sites. Asbestos poses serious health risks when disturbed and must not be handled under any circumstances by volunteers.

If you suspect or discover asbestos:

1. Stop work immediately.
2. Cordon off the area to prevent access.
3. Report the location and a description of the material to the Landcare office by calling 4921 0392.

We will arrange for a qualified contractor to assess and remove the material safely.

Asbestos removal requires specific training, equipment, and techniques. It is outside of the scope of Landcare works. **Please do not attempt to remove or manage the problem yourself.**



Landcarer Rosalynd's ABC interview

Rosalynd O'Shannassy, Team Leader at Whitebridge Balireh Landcare, recently featured on ABC Radio's Saturday Breakfast program, where she shared her passion for protecting and restoring local ecosystems. In the interview, she discusses the unique native flora and fauna found at the site, as well as the community efforts helping to preserve it.

You can tune in to the Listen Back recording at www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/newcastle-saturday-breakfast/saturday-breakfast/105154158 starting at 2:05:35 to explore the wonders of Whitebridge Balireh and hear Rosalynd's journey with Landcare.



Landcare shirts and hats

The Lake Macquarie Landcare Volunteer Network has Landcare shirts and hats available to purchase. Shirts are \$35, available in sizes: S, M, L, XL, and XXL. Hats are priced at \$22, in sizes 57cm, 59cm, and 61cm.

If you would like to purchase, you can drop into the Landcare office, or contact us on 4921 0392 or email Iro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au to coordinate a suitable pick-up time. Cash payments only for shirts and hat purchases.



Native of the Moment: Harlequin Mistletoe

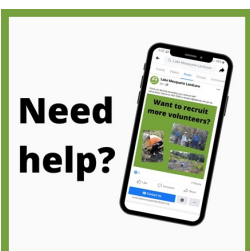
By Marion Lugg, LMLVN Chair

This Mistletoe is Harlequin Mistletoe, *Lysiana exocarp*, growing on a large *Casuarina glauca* on the foreshore at Wangi Wangi. Despite being right next to a popular walking path, no one else that I know has noticed it's there! *Casuarinas* are a common host plant for this species, but it can be found on up to 104 different native plants, and occurs across much of Australia, in woodlands, forests and even in semi-arid areas, where it mostly grows on *Acacias*. When I first saw this one in mid December, it was still in bud. Some of the flowers were open in January, and by February, it had fruit as well as flowers. The fruit is a red 'berry', the same colour as the red of the flower. [The Australasian Virtual Herbarium](#), lists two other sightings in Lake Macquarie, but notes them as 'environmental outliers'. But I think it may be quite a lot more common in this area and just doesn't get noticed very much!

References: "Mistletoes of Southern Australia", 2nd Edition, 2019, by David M. Watson.



Promoting your Landcare site



A reminder that Landcare staff are available to assist in developing promotional materials and promoting events through our Facebook page, fortnightly e-newsletter and monthly hardcopy newsletters. We can help get the word out about your Landcare site and help to encourage people to join you at your next working day.

If you would like assistance in attracting volunteers to your site, contact us on 4921 0392 or email Iro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au

Landcare sightings!

Check out these pictures contributed by Lake Macquarie Landcare volunteers and staff in recent months. Please keep sending in your photos and snippets for our newsletters, website and Facebook page.



Above: Flower Spider eating a fly (Photo by James Hamilton of Ballantrae to Halewood Landcare)



Above: Mullet fingerlings at Carey Bay Wetlands/Puntei Creek Reserve (Photo by Wendy Davidson)



Above: Eastern Grey Kangaroo at Wye Point Reserve Landcare site (Photo by Amy Trello)



Left: Joseph's Coat Moth Caterpillar (Photo by Simon Lubinski)

Plant sales from the Landcare nursery

Local tubestock for home gardens can be purchased from the Landcare nursery on Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8:30am - 3:30pm or by appointment.

Plants available for sales are also listed and described on our website www.lakemacquarielandcare.org.au

Please call us on 4921 0392 for plant sales enquiries. Discounts are available for Landcare volunteers and Backyard Habitat for Wildlife Members – the discounted tubestock rate is currently \$4.65 per forestry tube. EFTPOS purchases only.



Would you like to contribute to our newsletters?

Perhaps you would like to promote a successful project, showcase what your group is up to or just share something interesting happening on your site. Please send your stories and photos to Kate Meares via email lro@lakemac.nsw.gov.au or post to **PO Box 97 Toronto NSW 2283**. Call Kate with any questions on 4921 0392. Deadline for articles for the next newsletter (July/August Urban Landcarer) is 12 June 2025.

Thank you to all the Landcarers who contributed stories, photos and information for this newsletter.

Please circulate this publication within your group or share it with your neighbours.

This publication (and much more) is available online www.lakemacquarielandcare.org.au

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