



2013 LANDCARE & CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AWARDS

Gwymac is proud to announce the success of several nominees in our area at the recent Regional Landcare & Catchment Management Awards held during the Landcare Adventure in Bingara this week.

David Worsley was the **winner** of the **Innovative Primary Producer** Award for his remarkable work to increase productivity and natural resource condition on his Nullamanna properties "Maryland" and "Severnvale".

Shirley Handy of "Five Corners" was declared **Runner-Up** for her dedication to conservation education in the **Individual Landcarer** category, and **Robert Mason**, Gwymac Chairman and Gum Flat Landholder was also **Highly commended** for Individual Landcarer.

Macintyre Development Unit was awarded **Runner-Up** in the **Community Group** category for their educational focus and vision on viable, sustainable farming and the integrity of food.

The **Rotary Club of Inverell** was **Highly Commended** in the **Urban Landcare** Category for Northey Park, and the **Ballinger Family** of Delungra were also **Highly Commended** for their ongoing commitment to conservation farming.

We congratulate all of these recipients on their outstanding achievements.

LEND A HAND AT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Inverell Community Garden will be open most Saturdays from 9am to 11am. If the gate is open, come on

in and lend a hand.

Corner of Bryon Street & Swanbrook Road or contact Gwymac for further information.

NULLAMANNA COORDINATED BAITING DAYS

There will be a coordinated group fox baiting held in the Nullamanna area in early April prior to aerial dog baiting on the 23rd of April. Please contact Dave Worsley on 0428 255 600 if you would like to participate.

"SNAP SOME WOOD" PHOTO COMPETITION

Planet Ark are giving you the opportunity to enter their "**Make it Wood, do the World some good**" – Snap some wood" campaign by "snapping" a photo of a wooden product, building or renovation.

You could **win yourself an iPad with a wooden cover**.

There is no limit to the number of photos that one person may enter, and judging will be based on quality, beauty and uniqueness.

Competition closes on the 19th of April – so get snapping and go to www.facebook.com/MakeltWoodPlanetArk To enter.

FISH DAY AT "FIVE CORNERS"

Shirley Handy & Gwymac Landcare's Small Farms group will hold a "Fish Day" at "Five Corners" on **Saturday the 20th April** from 9am to 2.30pm.

Speakers and topics include: Fisheries Officer Joe Wright, Learn about fish ecology; what makes a healthy aquarium, dam and

river; Weeds Officer Tom Macindoe—illegal Aquatic Plants and their impact; Rodger Abbott—hydroponics and fish; species selection for dams, + Fisheries Education Officer .

COMMUNITY GIVING FUND

Round 4 of The Aurizon Community Giving fund Program is now open, to provide relevant and sustainable support to communities in the areas of **Health & Wellbeing, Community Safety, and Education**. In order to apply for this funding, an organisation must be non-profit and hold an approved DGR status. Applications must be submitted online by 26th April. To find out more, go to www.aurizon.com.au/community/CommunityGiving/Pages/CommunityGivingFund.aspx

HAPPY EASTER

Easter is celebrated as a time for **new life and renewal**, so this year, along with your chocolate egg hunt, why not give your garden the **gift of love and life** and celebrate with a native tree planting to green up your backyard.

Call it a National Tree Day Easter holiday planting and you can register your activity online.

By the time next Easter rolls around, your tree will have grown to make even more great hiding spots for those eggs. When planting in your garden please consider our native animals, birds and bees.

To find out more about what's suitable for Inverell, ask at our local nurseries.

To register your planting, go to www.treeday.planetark.org the team at **Gwymac wish you all a very happy and safe Easter**.