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Welcome to the August Edition of WfD Coordinator E-Bulletin.

The year is moving quickly before our eyes and we're in the midst of completing activities and beginning new ones.

In this Bulletin, we go one on one with the Moree Race club Secretary, we take a look at the great work coming out of the Sustainability Centre in Tamworth and update you on the proceedings at the Gurley Sports Grounds

WFD Coordinators and employment services providers will be required to ensure WFD activities:

- provide work experience that will develop or enhance a job seeker's ability to work as part of a team (where relevant), take directions from a supervisor, work independently, communicate effectively and improve job seeker motivation and dependability,
- encourage local community involvement in activities that will generate outcomes to benefit the community,
- provide work-like experience opportunities for eligible job seekers that will assist them in re-engaging with their community and the workplace.



What is the role of a Work for the Dole Coordinator ?

Work for the Dole Coordinators work to identify suitable Work for the Dole activities for job seekers. They also work with jobactive providers to match job seekers to activities.

What is WfD?

Work for the Dole is part of the Australian Government's jobactive employment service. It is a work experience programme designed to help job seekers gain new skills while they look for work.

As a Work for the Dole host organisation, you can get access to extra sets of hands to undertake activities and projects that may not normally get done.

By hosting activities you can help job seekers gain the skills, experience and confidence they need to move off welfare and into a job.

Who can host a Work for the Dole activity?

Work for the Dole activities can only be hosted by not-for-profit organisations and local, state, territory and Australian government agencies.

What is the role of a Host?

As a Work for the Dole host, you will provide work-like activities for Work for the Dole participants.

Your Work for the Dole Coordinator or jobactive provider can help you determine the projects that participants complete.

Links

<http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/work-dole-information-host-organisations>

<http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/health-and-safety-work-dole-activities-information-host-organisations>

<http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/programme-fact-sheet-about-work-dole>

WfD Profile Of The Month

In This Edition we meet Moree Race Club Secretary Michelle Gobbert

Name: **Michelle Gobbert**

D.O.B: **20th May 1971**

Hometown: **Warialda**

School Attended: **Warialda High School**

Star Sign: **Taurus**

Hobbies: **Gardening and reading**

Favorite Food: **Pizza**

Favorite T.V Show: **ER**

Favorite Book: **The Da Vinci Code**

Favorite Animal: **Horse**

Best Holiday destination: **Anywhere sunny!**

What really makes you angry? **Messy People**

What is your biggest fear? **Snakes**

What makes you laugh the most? **The NRL Footy Show**

If you could live anywhere, where would it be? **Somewhere in Europe**

What would you sing at Karaoke night? **Anything by ABBA**

If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be? **Spoil myself at a Spa**



Moree Race Club Secretary Michelle Gobbert



Michelle Gobbert has been the Secretary for the Moree Race Club for the past 7 years.

The mother of two says the most challenging part of her job is keeping everyone happy.

Her hobbies include gardening & reading in her spare time (which Michelle admits she doesn't have much of).

Michelle says the WfD program is a good initiative for community groups adding the scheme has been quite beneficial for the Race Club. She says the Club has received positive feedback from the community in relation to past & current works.

The Club is into it's third WfD activity where participants will be working on tasks including restoring the old stables on the course and painting the concrete floor in the kitchen.

One of a Kind's New Sustainability Centre



Supervisor Malcolm Howell, above, has been inspiring WfD participants to revive and transform rescued tired scrap into prized treasures.



Giving New Life To...

From dog beds and corner seats made from old bed heads, to benches and boxes crafted from pallets ,to upright gardens created with old boots.



Up-cycling! Up-skilling! Up-lifting!

Here at One Of A Kind Community Support Incorporated, we are very excited, and just a little bit proud, of the great work happening at our Sustainability Centre.

Our Sort Centre, where all clothes, books, toys, etc donated to our shops are sorted by an amazing crew of staff, volunteers and Work for the Dole participants is continuing to grow, and now our new Up-cycle Centre is breathing new life into broken furniture, old shipping pallets, bric-a-brac and all sorts of other items that were destined for the rubbish heap.

Our Work for the Dole participants are learning new skills, having fun (heaven forbid) and saving our planet one item at a time.

Every item sorted or up-cycled and sent to our shops is another item saved from landfill!

David Richards

**Operations Manager
One of a Kind Community Support**

Activity Updates



Gurley Public Recreation Reserve



The Gurley Public Recreation Reserve WfD activity is nearing its completion with painting works done to the arena fence and Kitchen/Muster room.

The participants, who have been part of the BEST Employment Moree 15hr Bus activity, have also planted some trees around the arena.

The trees, once fully grown, will provide shade areas during the warmer months and add to the picturesque views of the grounds.

Around 160 trees, which included a number of different types of Eucalypts, were donated to the activity by Best Nursery in Inverell.

Paint works to the amenities and entrance gates have been delayed to the recent rain events but are expected to be completed before the activity ends.

The activity, which began in April, is set to conclude in October.





Classifieds

Tingha Community Shed is seeking scrap hard wood to recycle into furniture and household items. If you can assist with donations please contact Craig Conley on 0427224009



ComputerBank New England are urging residents across the New England to recycle as much E Waste as possible. Uralla residents can drop of used computers at the recycling facility in Rowans Avenue.

Did you know that if all E- Waste was recycled we could reduce landfill by 80%.

* E-waste is basically anything that plugs in !!!



Sustainability Centre in Tamworth are in need of any materials that you may not need.

Items for consideration include Fence palings, Horse shoes, Plough discs , Roof sheets , RHS, Timber, Pallets, Beds, TV units, Wheels, Old work boots , Electric fans, Old suite cases, Tables, chairs, Sinks, Farm odds and ends, Car hubs caps, Surf boards, Rollerblades, Chest of drawers, Car and truck rims, Pushbikes, Forks and spoons & Windows.

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Quirindi Heritage Village are in need of wooden pallets. The pallets are being used to construct vertical gardens during the current WfD activity.

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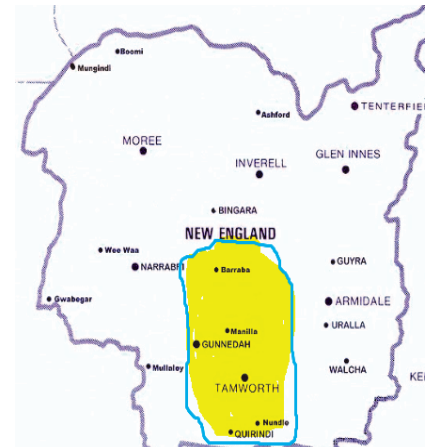
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