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Landcare Volunteers coming to Joel Joel

Landcare volunteers from across the Wimmera will gather at the Joel Hall on Tuesday the 23rd June for the Wimmera Regional Landcare Forum.

Events coordinator with Project Platypus, Bronwyn Bant said that one of the main aims of the Wimmera Regional Landcare Forum is for Landcare groups to learn from and be inspired by each other. “A large component of the day is allocated to giving participants the chance to network and share ideas. Also featuring at the Forum will be a recent Volunteering Western Victoria Regional Landcare award recipient to share some of their Landcare group’s secrets to success” said Ms Bant.

Included in the program is a presentation by Graeme Hand, discussing the topic ‘Improving soil health at a profit’. This presentation will provide an overview on profitable, regenerative management practices aimed at improving the health of stock, pastures and land while increasing profit and managing workloads.

“Graeme manages a farm in Western Victoria and is a well-known expert on establishing cost-effective farming systems through the adoption of regenerative practices, with particular emphasis on utilising perennial grasses, both native and introduced” said Ms Bant.

Ms Bant said there was no cost to participants due to funding received from the Wimmera Catchment Management Authority through the Australian Government’s National Landcare Programme and the Victorian Government’s Victorian Landcare Program.

Ms Bant said the forum is open to all Landcare volunteers as well as land managers, and that they could register by calling the Project Platypus office on 5358 4410. The Wimmera Regional Landcare Forum begins at 10.00am and runs through until 3.30pm.

Insert photo: Graeme

Caption: Improving soil health at a profit is the topic Graeme Hand will presenting on at the upcoming Wimmera Regional Landcare Forum.

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