

Innovation in Weed Management

... And making money from weeds! Using innovative and holistic thinking to sustainably manage weeds without breaking the budget...

Monto: Tues 16th Sept 9am to 3pm @ Lindsay & Hana Penney's property, near Mulgildie (with North Burnett Landcare extra discussion & activity).

Mundubbera: Wed 17th September 9am to 1pm @ 'Narayan' 4078 Hawkwood Rd, Mundubbera.

Gayndah: Thurs 18th September 9am to 1pm @ Gayndah Art Gallery, Meson St, Gayndah.

Cost: FREE, morning tea and lunch provided

Program:

- 9am** Presentation by Dr David Low on innovative and holistic weed management and the possibility of making money with weeds.
- 10.30** Smoko and information,
- 11am** Presentations by local landholders on practical examples using different approaches to weed management
- 1pm** Wrap up the day with a chat over lunch (provided)

Extra time at Monto event only, after lunch

- 2pm** Question and discussion time with panel of speakers and guests.

Extra time at Mundubbera event only, after lunch

OPTIONAL Property tour and drive out to see trial site.

For more information & to RSVP:

Phone: Melinda at BCCA on 07 4166 3898, or

Email: admin@burnettcatchment.org

Please register by Friday 12 September for our caterers and with any dietary restrictions.

This event is supported through funding from the On-Farm Productivity and Riparian Recovery Program supporting primary producing areas severely impacted by flooding following Ex-Tropical Cyclone Oswald 2013, funded by the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments through natural disaster relief and arrangements.

Guest Speakers:

Dr David Low – Environmental Scientist, Monash University, Melbourne

Monash University environmental scientist and The Weed's Network founder Dr David Low is passionate about a sustainable, viable and creative future in our relationship with weeds.



Dr. Low believes that through a spirit of willing exploration we can foster ways to better understand weeds, so they become a resource we can manage with environment and future generations in mind. The Weed's Network provides evidence-based information for innovative ways of thinking about, engaging with and managing weeds sustainably. The Weed's Network publishes fortnightly newsletters as well as an on-line Sustainable Weeding Guide which is a leading resource for learning about sustainable options for living with and working with weeds. The guide covers a wide range of weed issues including Cultural Management, Revegetation Management, Organic Weed Management, Crop Specific Weed Management, Herbicides and much more. Dr Low recently shared the stage with Allan Savory (Holistic Management) and Major General Michael Jeffery (Advocate for Soil Health) at the 'Day After Tomorrow' conference where he presented 'Making Money from Weeds'.

Local producers and innovative thinkers over the course of the three days:

Utilising African Lovegrass with supplements, an example from 'Narayan', Mundubbera. A simple trial with 25 breeders on African Lovegrass with supplements, versus 25 breeders on native and improved pastures.

Managing pastures as a whole, including the weed species, an example from Monto. Growing pastures and learning to live with weeds. Treating weeds with non-chemical applications.

Using Camels to manage weeds, an example from Boobyjan. Camels are increasingly being recognised for their use in the grazing market; here they've been put to work with Cats Claw Creeper and other weeds.

Come along to see what innovative things are happening in our catchment and how you can do the same!