



**HORNSBY**  
SHIRE COUNCIL

# BUSHCARE CALENDAR 2020





**Image:** *The land that time forgot* by Ana Rubio

**Cover Image:** *Angophora floribunda* by Verne Mantove



# JANUARY 2020




MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> ☾	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> ●	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> ☾	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> ○	<b>26</b> Australia Day
<b>27</b> Australia Day Holiday	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Gadalung Marool (Hot and Dry)</li> <li>■ Eat only fruit and seeds, no meat</li> <li>■ Burra (kangaroos) start having their joeys</li> <li>■ Weetjellan blooms (<i>Acacia implexa</i>)</li> </ul>	

School Holidays
  Nursery Volunteers Day



Image: Superb Fairy-wren with Banksia by Marie Kobler

# FEBRUARY 2020

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<p>Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Gadalung Marool (Hot and Dry)</li> <li>■ Eat only fruit and seeds, no meat</li> <li>■ Burra (kangaroos) start having their joeys</li> <li>■ Weetjellan blooms (<i>Acacia implexa</i>)</li> </ul>					1	2 World Wetlands Day 
3	4	5	6 Eucalypts of Hornsby (walk and talk)	7	8	9 
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 	25	26	27	28	29	


 Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: *Breathe and Be - Amaroo* by Brad Crossman



# MARCH 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bana'murrai'yung (Wet, getting cooler)</li> <li>■ Time to make cloaks and start the journey to the coast</li> <li>■ Time of ripening of Lilly Pilly fruit (<i>Syzygium paniculatum</i>)</li> <li>■ Marrai-gang (tiger quoll) seeks her mate</li> </ul>				<b>1</b> Clean Up Australia Day
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> World Wildlife Day 	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> International Women's Day
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Bushcode Workshop	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Global Recycling Day	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> International Day of Forests	<b>22</b> World Water Day Native Plant Giveaway (Ward A)
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Earth Hour Eucalypts of Hornsby (Walk and Talk)	<b>29</b>

 Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: *Banksia* - Community Nursery by Ted Angelo



# APRIL 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1 	2	3	4	5 Daylight Saving ends 3am
6	7	8 	9 	10  Good Friday	11  Easter Saturday	12  Easter Sunday
13  Easter Monday	14 	15 	16 	17 	18 	19 
20 	21 	22  Earth Day	23  	24 	25  Anzac Day	26 
27 	28 	29	30	<p>Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bana'murrai'yung (Wet, getting cooler)</li> <li>■ Time to make cloaks and start the journey to the coast</li> <li>■ Time of ripening of Lilly Pilly fruit (<i>Syzygium paniculatum</i>)</li> <li>■ Marrai-gang (tiger quoll) seeks her mate</li> </ul>		






Image: *Big brother is watching you* by Ana Rubio



# MAY 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bana'murrai'yung (Wet, getting cooler)</li> <li>■ Time to make cloaks and start the journey to the coast</li> <li>■ Time of ripening of Lilly Pilly fruit (<i>Syzygium paniculatum</i>)</li> <li>■ Marrai-gang (tiger quoll) seeks her mate</li> </ul>				<b>1</b>  Bushcode Workshop	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> World Migratory Bird Day	<b>10</b> Mother's Day
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Ride 2 Work Day	<b>16</b> World Fish Migration Day	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> International Day for Biological Diversity	<b>23</b>  World Turtle Day	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>  Garden Design with native plants workshop	<b>31</b>




 Compost Awareness Week
  National Volunteer Week
  Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: Peron (Peron's Tree Frog) - Quarry Rd Dural by Daniel Burkhardt



# JUNE 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> World Environment Day	<b>6</b> ●	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Queen's Birthday World Ocean Day	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> ◐	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> ○
<b>22</b> World Rainforest Day	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> ◐ Native Plant Giveaway Ward B
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Tugarah tuli (Cold)</li> <li>■ Time to gather the nectar for ceremony</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of the Burringoa (<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i>)</li> <li>■ Barrungin (the echidna) begin their gatherings</li> </ul>		

■ Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: *Ants tending lerps* by Kathryn Hill



# JULY 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Kids Activity: Build a native bee hotel	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 International Tiger Day	30	31 National Tree Day for Schools	Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Tugarah tuli (Cold)</li> <li>■ Time to gather the nectar for ceremony</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of the Burringoa (<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i>)</li> <li>■ Barrungin (the echidna) begin their gatherings</li> </ul>	

NAIDOC Week
  Exhibition: Photo Competition Winners 2019
  School Holidays
  Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: *Graphium sarpedon* (Blue Triangle Butterfly) by Ron Watts



# AUGUST 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>31</b>	Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Tugarah gunya'marra (Cold and Windy)</li> <li>■ Time to build shelters facing the rising sun, time to begin the journey to the highlands along the rivers, plenty of fish</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of the Marrai'uo (<i>Acacia floribunda</i>)</li> </ul>				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> National Tree Day
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> ●	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> ☾	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Bushcode Workshop	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> ○	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> ☾	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>





Image: Scribbly Gum - Hampden Rd by Sue Patterson



# SEPTEMBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	<b>1</b> National Wattle Day Bushcare Photo Competition Closes	<b>2</b> ●	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Father's Day
<b>7</b> National Threatened Species Day	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> ◐	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Garden Design with native plants workshop	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> ○	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Native Plant Giveaway Ward C
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> ◐	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Wildflower Walk	<b>27</b> World Rivers Day
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>		Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Murray'unggoray (Cool, getting warmer)</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of Miwa Gawaian (<i>Telopea speciosissima</i>)</li> <li>■ Time for major ceremony</li> <li>■ Gathering of the Ngoonuni (Flying Foxes)</li> </ul>		





**Image:** *White-faced grey heron at the Lakes of Cherrybrook* by Marie Kobler



# OCTOBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Murrai'yunggoray (Cool, getting warmer)</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of Miwa Gawaian (<i>Telopea speciosissima</i>)</li> <li>■ Time for major ceremony</li> <li>■ Gathering of the Ngoonuni (Flying Foxes)</li> </ul>			1	2	3	4 Daylight Savings begins 2am
5 Labour Day World Habitat Day	6	7	8	9	10 Citizen Science Workshop	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Garden Design with native plants workshop	18
19	20	21	22	23 Photo Competition Preview - Evening	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	





**Image:** *Triple-headed Purple Flag - Alan Ave* by David Hooper



# NOVEMBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30 ●	Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Goray'murrai (Warm and wet)</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of Kai'arrewan (<i>Acacia binervia</i>)</li> <li>■ Do not camp near rivers</li> <li>■ Parra'dowee (the Great Eel) calls his children to him</li> </ul>					1 ●
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 ☾	10	11	12	13	14	15 ○
16	17	18	19	20	21 World Fisheries Day Bushcode Workshop	22 ☾
23	24	25	26	27	28 Christmas Party for Bushcare and Nursery Volunteers	29

National Recycling Week
  National Pollinator Week
  Nursery Volunteers Day





Image: *Wildflowers* by Yansin Liu

# DECEMBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 	16	17	18	19	20
21  Summer Solstice	22 	23 	24 	25  Christmas Day	26  Boxing Day	27 
28  Boxing Day Holiday	29 	30  	31  New Year's Eve	<p>Weather Cycles of the D'harawal People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Goray'murrai (Warm and wet)</li> <li>■ Time of the flowering of Kai'arrewan (<i>Acacia binervia</i>)</li> <li>■ Do not camp near rivers</li> <li>■ Parra'dowee (the Great Eel) calls his children to him</li> </ul>		

 School Holidays
  Nursery Volunteers Day



# 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR BUSHCARE AND NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

EVENT	DATE AND TIME	LOCATION/VENUE	DESCRIPTION	BOOKING
<b>Bushcode workshop</b>	Saturday 14 March, 9am-1pm Friday 1 May, 9am-1pm Saturday 15 August, 9am-1pm Saturday 21 November, 9am-1pm	Earthwise Cottage, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	All Bushcare volunteers are required to complete this workshop within 6 months of joining the program. Morning tea provided	Bookings essential <a href="https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare">hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare</a>
<b>Christmas Party for Bushcare and Nursery Volunteers</b>	28 November	To be advised	Celebrate another great year with Bushcare and the community nursery	Bookings open October 2020, see newsletters for more information
<b>Citizen Science Workshop</b>	Saturday 10 October, 8.30am-10.30pm	Community Nursery, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	Great opportunity to learn more about the citizen science projects and how to be involved. We will show you how to undertake a bird survey, pollinator count and tree hollow recording.	Bookings essential <a href="https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare">hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare</a>
<b>Clean Up Australia Day</b>	Sunday 1 March		Visit <a href="https://cleanup.org.au">cleanup.org.au</a> for more information	
<b>Eucalypts of Hornsby – (walk and talk)</b>	Thursday 6 February, 6pm-8pm	Earthwise Cottage, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	Please note this activity is for Bushcare and Nursery Volunteers only	Email <a href="mailto:bushcare@hornsby.nsw.gov.au">bushcare@hornsby.nsw.gov.au</a> or phone 9847 6362
<b>Eucalypts of Hornsby – (walk and talk)</b>	Saturday 28 March, 9am-11.30am	Earthwise Cottage, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	Get close to the trees of Hornsby. Pennant Hills Park has an amazing array of native trees from the Dwarf Apple to the giant Blackbutt.	Bookings essential <a href="https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare">hornsby.nsw.gov.au/bushcare</a>
<b>Garden Design with native plants</b>	Saturday 30 May, 9am-12pm Saturday 12 September, 9am-12pm Saturday 17 October, 9am-12pm	Various	Narelle Happ, a native garden designer and horticulturalist, will guide you through designing your own garden. She will provide tips on how to highlight the great features of your home and garden. This is a hands-on design workshop. Priority for Hornsby Shire Council residents.	Bookings will open June 2020. See <a href="https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson">hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson</a> for more information.
<b>National Tree Day</b>	Sunday 2 August		Join us to plant a forest	See <a href="https://treeday.planetark.org">treeday.planetark.org</a>
<b>National Tree Day - Schools</b>	Friday 31 July	Open to all schools, child care centres and preschools within the Hornsby Shire Council area.	Contact council to receive up to 30 free plants for your school.	See <a href="https://treeday.planetark.org">treeday.planetark.org</a>
<b>Native Bee Hotel Building – Kids Activity</b>	Monday 6 July, 10am-11.30am	Earthwise Cottage, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	A great opportunity for kids and their parents to learn about our native pollinators. At the end of the session all kids will have a native bee hotel to take home.	\$7 per child (each child booked in will receive a kit to build). Suitable for primary school aged children. Please note children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

EVENT	DATE AND TIME	LOCATION/VENUE	DESCRIPTION	BOOKING
<b>Native Plant Giveaway</b>	Ward A (only) Sunday 22 March, 10am-12pm Ward B (only) Sunday 28 June, 10am-12pm Ward C (only) Sunday 20 September, 10am-12pm	Community Nursery, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills	This is your opportunity to get truly local plants for your garden. Many plants are not available in any other nursery. There are plenty of volunteers to provide advice and you can always add trees to your allocation.	
<b>Bushcare and nursery volunteers photographic exhibitions</b>	8-28 April – Winners from the 2019 Bushcare photo competition	Hornsby Library 28-44 George St, Hornsby		
	1-28 July Winners from the 2019 Bushcare photo competition	Pennant Hills Library Yarrara Rd & Ramsay Rd, Pennant Hills		
	15 September until 14 October Full exhibition for 2020 entries	Hornsby Library 28-44 George St, Hornsby		
<b>Wildflower Walk</b>	Saturday 26 September, 9am-1pm	To be advised	A special wildflower walk for Bushcare and Community Nursery volunteers.	Email bushcare@hornsby.nsw.gov.au or phone 9847 6362

## CROP ROTATION FOR YOUR VEGIE PATCH

Crop Rotation is a great way to manage your patch. The age old method reduces the likelihood of pests and diseases and improves productivity. A yearly rotation schedule would look something like this:

	BED 1	BED 2	BED 3	BED 4
<b>YEAR 1</b>	Brassicas and leafy vegetables Cabbage, pak choi, silverbeet etc.	Other – Rooting and fruiting crops Tomatoes, potatoes, carrots, celery	Alliums Onions, leeks, garlic, chives	Legumes Peas, beans, broad beans, Other - Okra
<b>YEAR 2</b>	Legumes	Brassicas	Other	Alliums
<b>YEAR 3</b>	Alliums	Legumes	Brassicas	Other
<b>YEAR 4</b>	Other	Alliums	Legumes	Brassicas

GIVE IT A GO THIS YEAR. REMEMBER TO KEEP NOTES BECAUSE YOU WILL FORGET WHAT CROP YOU PLANTED LAST SEASON. HAPPY PLANTING!



# HELP US GREEN YOUR FUTURE

**INVEST IN FUTURE GENERATIONS AND PLANT TREES! YOU CAN  
PLANT TREES IN YOUR GARDEN OR JOIN US AT ONE OF THE  
MANY COMMUNITY PLANTING DAYS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**

**HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP**  
**[trees.hornsby.nsw.gov.au](https://trees.hornsby.nsw.gov.au)**

