



**5 Trees Project.....**We have had a great initial response to the 5 TREES initiative - more than 50 trees have been committed. If you would like to join in contact Rosie Suter.

**Keeping Connected To Our Members ..... Edition #4**

Your Landcare committee is  
Rosie Suter (Pres.), Owen Dixon (Vice Pres.),  
Rosemary Buchannan (Sec.), Chris Arnold (Treas.),  
Anita Torrance. Dave Gilson. Dave Suter. Kvlie Topal

***We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land in which we live, work and travel upon. We would like to pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.***

**Property Management Plans**

The Ovens Landcare Network is offering Landcare members the opportunity to work with a professional to develop a property management plan. Limited to the first 10 applications, from each Landcare group. The program includes an online meeting to develop a map of your property, and you will receive a laminated print-out of the map and a digital copy. Submit your [expression of interest here](#) .



**Pilot Soil Monitoring and Incentives Program**  
Farmers and other land managers can apply for up to \$10,000 of Commonwealth funding to help pay for soil testing and contributions to a national soil database. DAWE's two year, \$54 million, Pilot Soil Monitoring and Incentives Program will capture and store new soil data that is vital for the management of this important resource. The Program encourages land managers to begin or expand soil testing. It also supports farmers to undertake soil carbon measurements for soil carbon projects under the Emissions Reduction Fund. Find out more and register your interest [here](#).



## Healthy Hectares in North East Victoria

Healthy Hectares is a program that has been specifically developed to help small landholders learn the in and outs of effectively managing their land in North East Victoria. Whole farm planning can seem daunting to new and smaller landholders, and the Healthy Hectares program sets out to break this down into small, hands on workshops that allow landholders to gain confidence and the skills to effectively manage their properties to be assets for them, and for the larger landscape.

Over the next year, the Ovens Landcare Network is teaming up with neighbouring Landcare networks Wodonga Urban Landcare Network and the Kiewa Catchment Landcare Groups to continue to run this excellent program. On the 24th of July Healthy Hectares will be running two introductory sessions that are open to everyone interested in learning what Healthy Hectares is all about. These information sessions introduce you to the Healthy Hectares NE program and how it will help you better manage your land through the development of a whole farm plan.

These sessions will be at:

- Myrtleford RSL 10am - [register here](#), and
- Chiltern Neighbourhood House 3pm - [register here](#).

For any further information contact Healthy Hectares Project Officer - David Thorpe 0400 740 791 or [healthyhectaresne@wdongalandcare.org.au](mailto:healthyhectaresne@wdongalandcare.org.au)