



New Growth Projects

Supporting youth volunteers to help protect Victoria's biodiversity and environment
Case Studies from the Hume Region



Project name: Youth Leading Wodonga

Funding recipient: Wodonga Urban Landcare Network

Project location: Wodonga, north east Victoria

Outcomes:

- Young people in Wodonga gained skills in project management as well as practical tree planting skills, by delivering the Plantathon event.
- Wodonga Urban Landcare Network increased their capability to work with young people.
- Young people in Wodonga were exposed to the wide variety of environmental causes and volunteer groups locally, providing a pathway for continuing involvement.



Project name: Glider Biolinks

Funding recipient: Hughes Creek Catchment Collaborative

Project location: Seymour

Outcomes:

- High school students were engaged with constructing and installing nest boxes for gliders.
- A series of family friendly spotlighting walks were held with expert talks, which educated the local community about gliders in the area and the importance of vegetation corridors, hollows and nest boxes.
- The community got involved in tree planting days to fill gaps in the vegetation corridors.



Project name: Slow Walks

Funding recipient: Parklands Albury Wodonga

Project location: Wodonga

Outcomes:

- Twelve guided walks introduced 212 people to the local natural environment, local native species and ecosystem changes throughout the seasons.
- Volunteer groups revegetating the area gained new members through connections made during these events.
- Participants were introduced to citizen science and, as a result, 497 new iNaturalist records were created.

