



esperance regional forum



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Scouts go all out for Arbor Day

Anyone can plant a tree on Arbor Day, but for members of the Esperance Scouts Group planting an entire hectare of native bush is more their style.

With picture perfect views from Six Mile Hill to enjoy and great weather forecast, the Esperance Scout Group teamed up with Esperance Regional Forum, landholders Bruce and Marie Campbell and their neighbours on Sunday to plant 1,300 seedlings.

The morning was followed with a sausage sizzle lunch supplied by Esperance Regional Forum and cakes made by Scouting mums.

South Coast NRM's Lake Warden project officer Cindee Hage said the morning gave way to perfect conditions with no wind, sunny skies, followed by a light sprinkling of rain for the newly planted seedlings.

Ms Hage said the seedlings would go some way to helping landholders in the Lake Warden Catchment Zone achieve a target of 70 hectares of native biodiversity this year.

"These community-based days are a great way for like minded people to help our native birds and animals whilst helping to slow flooding into our beautiful wetlands," she said.

Community groups can also use these events to raise money for their own cause and help the environment at the same time.

For further information on how Esperance Regional Forum can assist you and/or your group, please call Cindee Hage on (08) 9071 6129 or mobile 0429 831 154.

The not-for-profit South Coast Natural Resource Management Inc. is the leading regional group for natural resource management on the South Coast of Western Australia. Funding is provided by the Australian Government and the Government of Western Australia.

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PIC CAPTION: Melijenup Road landowners Bruce and Marie Campbell, Scouts members Darrelyn Beck, Greg, Joy and Jake Foster and Lake Warden project officer Cindee Hage explaining the importance of tree planting for the wellbeing of our wetlands.

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