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2009

2008 Jo Ross Memorial Award

This award is made to an individual, group or institution in recognition of their ongoing efforts to improve the local environment.

2008 Winner was Mr Nevil Barlow of Macquarie River Care group for his significant contribution to the Bathurst Environment.

With a special innovation award given to Rahamim



Sr Pat Linnane, Nevil Barlow, Sr Patricia with awards

Background to the Award

Councillor Jo (Josephine) ROSS contributed significantly to the welfare of our city especially during the years of 1992 to 1996 as a local government representative. Jo Ross was a natural environmentalist and considered "green" issues as most significant well before "green" became fashionable. She was an outspoken advocate for women's issues. Jo was also a most talented artist; among other achievements she won the Bathurst Art Prize for the 50th Anniversary of Victory in the Pacific.

Sadly Jo passed away in 2006. It was her wish that her legacy might benefit the community of Bathurst. Her sons Ben and Steve bequeathed 40 of Jo's art works to Greening Bathurst to support on ground environmental works in the Bathurst district. Following the sale of Jo's art work it was decided to instigate an award in memory of Jo and in recognition of individuals, groups and institutions that work hard to improve our local environment. GB thanks the Ross family for their generosity.

Nominations are now open for the 2009 Jo Ross Memorial Award. Local Landcare groups, farmers, green groups, schools, companies and individuals are invited to apply for the award.

The 2008 winner was Boundary Road Landcare group.

What's On

Tree counting—survival rates.

Greening Bathurst are planning to undertake an assessment of the survival rates of native trees, shrubs & grasses planted throughout the Bathurst region.

We are currently developing a form that can be completed for rapid assessment of the plots. The form will be posted to our website at www.greeningbathurst.org.au for easy access



Clean Up Australia Day Sunday 1 March 2009

www.cleanup.com.au

Register a site, or find a site to clean up.

Regent Honey Eater Tree-planting — Capertee Valley 2nd & 3rd May 2009

For more information contact Tiffany Mason—3,000 trees & shrubs to be planted.

Whacking Weeds Workshop for the Purple Copperwing Butterfly Sat 14th March

Whacking weeds to help the Purple Copperwing Butterfly
RSVP by 11th March
Contact Tiffany Mason
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**Next Greening Bathurst
Meeting.
Monday 2nd March
5.00pm
Rahamim Ecological Learning
Centre Busby Street**

\$15MILLION TO BE SPENT ON MT PANORAMA

Bathurst Regional Council are going to spend approximately \$15 million dollars on the upgrade of the Mt Panorama Racing precinct. Greening Bathurst would like to see a percentage of that funding to be put towards the environment and surrounds of Mt Panorma.

The percentage could go towards remant bushland linkages, water quality controls and habitat.

What are your thoughts?

Come along to the next Greening Bathurst meeting and let us know.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ALONG SYDNEY ROAD OPPOSITE HARVEY NORMAN

An agenda item at the next Greening Bathurst meeting is that we discuss the proposed development at Kelso along the Sydney Road opposite Harvey Norman. There has been some concern raised about these activities. If you're interested or have an opinion than please come along to the next meeting.

Monday 2nd March at Rahamim at 5pm

It's Warm The eight warmest years on record have occurred since 1998
Do Something.org.



Wayne Febbrey, Nevil Barlow—2008 Winner of the Jo Ross Memorial Award and Ashley Bland

Organics A four-year, \$25 million European Union funded study found that there are 40% more antioxidants in organic food compared to 'regular' food and 50% more in organic milk
Do Something.org.