Member Fora Series 2011

Each month the Conservation Council holds a forum to discuss a variety of fascinating topics relating to our local environment.

These fora give member groups and the general public regular opportunities to learn of new projects and programmes in and around Canberra.

Gold coin entry and free to member groups and ecoACTivists.

Upcoming Fora Meetings (tentative titles)

Next Forum - Thursday September 22nd What do we mean by 'Sustainable Development'?

Note: All meetings are held at Havelock House, 85 Northbourne Ave, Turner at 5.30pm for a 6pm start.

Make your voice count. Become a Conservation Council



The Conservation Council is an independent not-for-profit organisation.

Member Fora like the one you have just attended are conducted through the generosity of individuals and organisations.

Becoming an ecoACTivist is an extremely effective way to support the Conservation Council. The Council is the peak environmental NGO for the ACT, comprising some 30+ member groups, and is managed by a Board of expert and committed people.

What are the benefits of becoming an ecoACTivist?

As a Conservation Council ecoACTivist you will also receive:

- Discounts to all major Conservation Council events, including the Annual Dinner
- Personalised invitations to Conservation Council events; eg environmental fora and staff presentations
- A copy of the Council's e-bulletin and quarterly newsletter, Sustainable Times
- · A copy of the Conservation Council Annual Report
- Access to information, events and discounts on services and products provided by ACT businesses
- Advice on how to improve your own personal ecological and carbon footprint

We also appreciate one-off donations.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

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Molonglo River Corridor: What do we want for its future management?



Thursday, 26th May, 2011 5:30 for 6pm, Havelock House, 85 Northbourne Ave, Turner



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Molonglo River Corridor





Molonglo is currently under rapid urban development. Given the close proximity of the houses to the river corridor how will the corridor be managed to conserve and enhance its ecological value?

Urban development will increase the amount of recreation in the corridor as well as bring about new threats of dog walking and domestic cats. How will the corridor be managed to reduce these threats and how much or what sort of recreation will be allowed in the corridor?

There are many parts of the corridor that are degraded and are in desparate need of restoration. What are the management plans to ensure that this happens?



Guest Speakers

Stuart Mackenzie, ACTPLA

Stuart Mackenzie is a landscape architect and urban designer who has been involved in Canberra planning for over 25 years. He has worked in both the private and public sectors. Stuart is ACTPLA's project manager for the Molonglo River Park Concept Plan.

Rob Thorman, LDA

Rob Thorman works with the Land Development Agency on sustainability and innovation. He has been with the ACT government for over three years and has previously worked with TAMS and DECCEW. Prior to joining the ACT Government he worked at national level on natural resource management, climate change and local government. Rob has also been a consultant working on management plans for areas ranging from council reserves and national parks through to world heritage areas.

Lynton Bond, Molonglo Catchment Group

Lynton worked as a mine geologist between 1975 and 1983. He owns a 20-acre rural residential block in the ACT peri-urban area and has become heavily involved in Landcare focusing on conserving and enhancing remnant native vegetation in the peri-urban area with a long term aim of establishing and maintaining connectivity between areas of remnant native vegetation. Lynton is now chair of the Molonglo Catchment Group since its formation in October 2003. He also served as the ACT Community representative on the Australian Landcare Council between July 2005 and February 2008.

