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The Corangamite Lakes Landcare Area is on Wadawurrung and Eastern Maar Country. We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Annual Landcare Bus Trip Recap

Our annual bus trip was another fantastic success, with a jam-packed day of visits, learning, and plenty of inspiration.

First stop: Rhynie Pastoral

We were warmly welcomed by Jack and Celia, who gave us a tour of their impressive farm. Highlights included their on-farm bio plant producing fertilisers, their innovative use of cover crops, and most memorably, their wildlife sanctuary where they've reintroduced a range of Australian native animals. It was a truly inspiring start to the day.



Second stop: Lachie Greens' Chook Farm

Located near Lake Fyans, Lachie's pastured poultry operation offered us all a new perspective other than sheep, beef and cropping, as many of us hadn't seen a chicken farming system up close. It was fascinating to learn about how it operates, and we especially admired Lachie's commitment to animal welfare and tree planting, creating habitat for birds alongside his farming enterprise.



Third stop: David Bain's Nature Covenant

At Stockyard Hill, David shared his work protecting a unique and vulnerable landscape. With so little of this type of environment remaining, it was inspiring to see these areas safeguarded for the future.



Final stop: Skipton Hospital

Thankfully not for any medical emergencies, but to see their innovative energy system. The hospital has trialled several fuel sources for heating and hot water, finding olive pits to be the most efficient. This clever use of agricultural waste is already common overseas, and we hope to see more of it adopted locally.



After a full day of exploring, learning, and connecting, we returned home tired but inspired. A big thank you to our wonderful members for joining us, and to Scott for driving the bus.

Trips like this are what Landcare is all about—networking, sharing knowledge, and discovering new ways people are working with the land and environment. Another Landcare trip to remember!

Tree Planting Season & Site Visits

We are now heading into tree planting season – an exciting time of year for everyone involved in Landcare. Over the coming months I'll be in touch to arrange visits to your sites to check in and see how your plantings are going.

Great news too – reporting has been extended to February 2026. This gives us some extra breathing room and ensures I'll have plenty of time to get around and visit as many sites as possible.

I'm looking forward to seeing the progress across our projects and sharing in another season of growth together.

Next newsletter I will give an update on our recent night stalk event. A fun but wild night! We don't currently have any events planned for the rest of the year. Early next year has a few things in the works and we may do a Christmas party in December.

LLPG meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month. If you'd like an issue raised at a meeting, contact Sarah or a committee member by the Tuesday prior. Working part time - Mon/Thus/Fri am

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