

BUSHCARE

Shellharbour City Bushcare works with local volunteers and Landcare Illawarra to carry out bush regeneration work at several sites across Shellharbour City.

BUSHCARE VOLUNTEERS

Bushcare volunteers provide an incredible service greening our city and improving the local environment.

Volunteers enjoy:

- A healthy and active working environment
- Being part of a local community
- The support of Council through tools, training and materials
- Education, knowledge and experience

All volunteers work in accordance with health and safety regulations.

LOCAL BUSHCARE GROUPS

Oakey Creek BushCare

Meets the second Saturday of each month and every second Wednesday from 9am-12pm

Warilla Dunes Bushcare

Meets the second Saturday of each month from 8am – 10am

The Watercourse Bushcare

Meets the third Sunday of each month from 9.30am – 11.30am.

Koona Bay Bushcare

Meets the first Sunday of each month from 1pm – 4pm.

Blackbutt Forest Bushcare

The group meets the first Sunday of each month from 9am – 12pm.

If you're interested in starting a new Bushcare group, sessions can be run midweek or on weekends.



Want to get involved?

To become a volunteer at an existing Bushcare site, or propose an idea for a new BushCare site, please contact Shellharbour City Council's Natural Areas Supervisor on the numbers below.

General Enquiries

Ph: 4221 6212

Natural Areas Supervisor

Ph: 0439 689 349



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Caring for Bushland





LOCAL BUSHCARE

Bushcare is a positive environmental movement that involves volunteers from the community assisted by Shellharbour City Council.

Bushcare work together to rehabilitate and preserve bushland and restore a healthy, natural state of native bushland.

Bushcare aims to promote community awareness and education as part of the program.

NATIONAL TREE DAYS

National Tree Days are coordinated and accomplished by volunteers, local schools, sponsors and Shellharbour City Council's Bush Regeneration team.

Since 2009, almost 30,000 native species have been planted across Shellharbour on National Tree Days or 71.5% of the total plantings in the Shellharbour LGA.

National Tree Day is not just about planting trees. The objective is to plant an ecological community including grasses, ground covers, climbers, bushes and trees.

Ecological communities provide better homes for native animals and insects as well as replicating what we already find in nature, trees hosting climbers, grasses to control run off and erosion and flowering bushes to feed birds.

THREATENED SPECIES

More than 30 plants and almost 300 animals are considered threatened in our local area.

Bushcare groups are dedicated to preserving and regenerating what is left of our native bushland.

REMNANT BUSHLAND

Holding historical significance and aesthetic value, local remnant bushland can be found scattered across the Shellharbour City area.

Historical sites provide specimens and examples of the vegetation types and landscape that were present before European settlement and land clearing.

Bushland creates an important habitat for native flora and fauna, particularly birds, allowing native species to move about and avoid being trapped in bushland 'Islands'.

***Bushcare is more than
just planting trees
and pulling out weeds.***

***It is our collective community efforts,
and combined actions which allow us
to all work towards a more
sustainable future.***



RETAIN remnant indigenous vegetation
REGENERATE where there is potential for natural revegetation
REPLANT only where there is no regeneration potential

***Bushcare is for our environment
and for our future.***