

Kids Learning and Restoring Wetlands

Coolamon Landcare Group



Coolamon Landcare hosted a workshop where local children learned about wetlands and participated in restoration activities, aiming to educate them on the importance of wetlands and foster a sense of environmental responsibility.

The issue

Wetlands are crucial ecosystems that support a diverse range of animals, plants, and insects. However, they are often threatened by human activities and environmental changes. Educating young people about the significance of wetlands and involving them in conservation efforts is essential for long-term environmental stewardship and protection.

The solution

To address wetland conservation, Coolamon Landcare organized a workshop at Coolamon wetlands, engaging 24 students (19 from a local school and 5 homeschooled) in three activities. Murrumbidgee Landcare and volunteers facilitated rotations every 30 minutes. In Activity One, children learned about wetlands' significance, threats, and protection measures, assessing wetland conditions and bird species. Activity Two involved maintaining an older planting area, emphasizing the importance of upkeep for plant success. Activity Three focused on planting reeds and rushes to boost biodiversity. Participants also learned about the ongoing restoration project, including tree planting, a bird hide, and new tracks and bridges.

The impact

The event successfully engaged children and their guardians in wetland conservation, providing hands-on learning experiences that highlighted the importance of wetlands and their protection. The children participated enthusiastically in all activities, gaining practical skills and knowledge about wetland ecosystems. The event fostered a sense of ownership and pride among the young participants, encouraging them to utilise and care for their local natural resources.



Key facts

- Total Attendees: 37
- Planted: 150 wetland species
- Outcome: Enhanced understanding of wetland ecosystems, practical conservation skills, and community engagement.

Project Partners



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