Southern Highlands Landcare Network President's Report Highlights from September 2025 – August 2026

Goal 1 Thriving Organisation

Members, Committee and Supporters

- All office bearer and committee positions were filled at our AGM held 1 Sept 2025. Thank you for your dedication to our group
- Kerri-Jane Burke resigned as Treasurer / Member at the end of June 2026 . Kerri-Jane continued to support the committee into July 2026 to help with EOFY and hand over. A thank you was sent to Kerri-Jane for all the work and support she provided to our committee. Jen Slattery is acting Treasurer until our AGM, which is being held in September
- Our activities and works are supported by our LEP co-ordinator. Nathan. His assistance is very much valued and appreciated
- Thank you to BDCU Community Bank for meeting room usage, Clive for storing our equipment, WinZero for shared facilities and all our wonderful volunteers who make our events such a success

Activities Promoting SHLN

- Facebook posts
- Southern Highlands Landcare Instagram site created
- Glenda the Glider Instagram site created
- SHLN website created
- Website Search Engine Optimisation being undertaken
- SHLN brochure being refreshed
- Mentioned in Council's Bushcare and LFW flyers and newsletters
- Advertising through Volwing (Volunteering Wingecarribee)



Goal 2 On ground conservation and restoration works

Our Regular Event

- Berrima Wildlife Reserve Working Bees - Twice per month

Helping Hands Project, Other Planting Days and events

- Exeter Public School Butterfly Garden planting and maintenance. Frog habitat creation planned for September 2026

<u>Spring / Summer 2025 Plantings</u>

- Endeavour Energy Corporate Planting at Kangaloon Rd Robertson
- Nowra Rd Moss Vale
- Canyonleigh Rd Canyonleigh
- Wombeyan Caves Rd High Range
- Wombeyan Caves Rd High Range - Maintenance Watering x 2 sessions

<u>Autumn 2026 Plantings</u>

- Canyonleigh Rd Canyonleigh – Review of planting success
- Compton Park Rd Berrima
- Canyonleigh Rd Canyonleigh
- Wombeyan Caves Rd High Range x 2 sites
- Nowra Rd Moss Vale
- Lemmons Rd Roberston

<u>Coming Up Spring 2026 Plantings</u>

- Building Habitat Connections planting at Berrima
- Stony Creek Berrima
- Saving our Species plantings at Moss Vale and Berrima

Strategic Activity

- (Internal) Mapping Workshop “Identifying priority habitat corridors’ Introductory workshop





Goal 3 Broaden community understanding of natural eco systems

Community Engagement – Workshops, field days and Information Sessions

- Across The Fence Farming weekend event at Penrose and Bundanoon, in conjunction with Goulburn Mulwaree Landcare Landscapes (GMLL)
- Mulloon Institute: Water Stewardship Program - Field Day and Creek Health and Habitat Workshop
- Wild Neighbours Project: Monitoring wildlife effectively & interpreting ecological data - Workshops, field practice, and shared learning webinar
- Winzero Public Forum on River Quality in the Southern Highlands - Help with logistics
- Glenda The Glider: Glenda visits local events and schools, appears with theatre groups
- Site assessments, advice and discussions with landowners at
    - Berrima/Woodlands area,
    - Bullio,
    - Sutton Forest,
    - Mittagong (Frensham Junior School)
    - Glenquarry
- Stall / attended Robertson Show and Robertson Environment Community Day.





Coming Up: Stall and seed ball workshop at

Robertson Rainforest Festival October



Technology Purchases - Site Monitoring

- BirdWeather Pucs
- Trail Cameras

Advocacy

- Save Berrima Gaol – SHLN Objection Submission (Impacts to the Wingecarribee River Riparian Zone)

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Our Partners and Collaborators

- Great Eastern Ranges – MOU, Mapping
- University of Wollongong Team Quoll – Wild Neighbours project collaboration
- Mulloon Institute: Water Stewardship Program - Project collaboration
- Saving Our Species (SOS) Glossies in the Mist (GITM) On Ground Team - Plantings
- University of Technology Big Lift Student volunteers - Plantings
- WinZero – Environmental advocacy and collaborations
- 'Bushies' Local bush walking / running group - Financial donation received
- Endeavour Energy - Offset Plantings
- Boral – Creek Restoration Planting
- Goulburn Mulwaree Landcare Landscapes - Event collaborations
- Mt Gibraltar Bushcare Group - Advocacy

Met up with

- Carol Berry Federal MP for Whitlam
- Kings Foundation Australia - Hillview Sutton Forest
- Bowral Co-op and Southern Highlands Growers Group (through Nathan)

Letters of Support provided for

- Council's Healthy Cities grant application and continuation of their Earth Flix events
- Jeff Aston's Landcare Spatial Intelligence and Environment Outcomes grant application

TEAM QUOLL
Threatened Species Conservation

The Big Lift

GLOSSIES IN THE MIST

WinZero
Wingecarribee Net Zero Emissions

Mulloon Institute

THE GREAT EASTERN RANGES
connecting people…connecting nature

Goal 4 Effective and accountable governance

Meetings

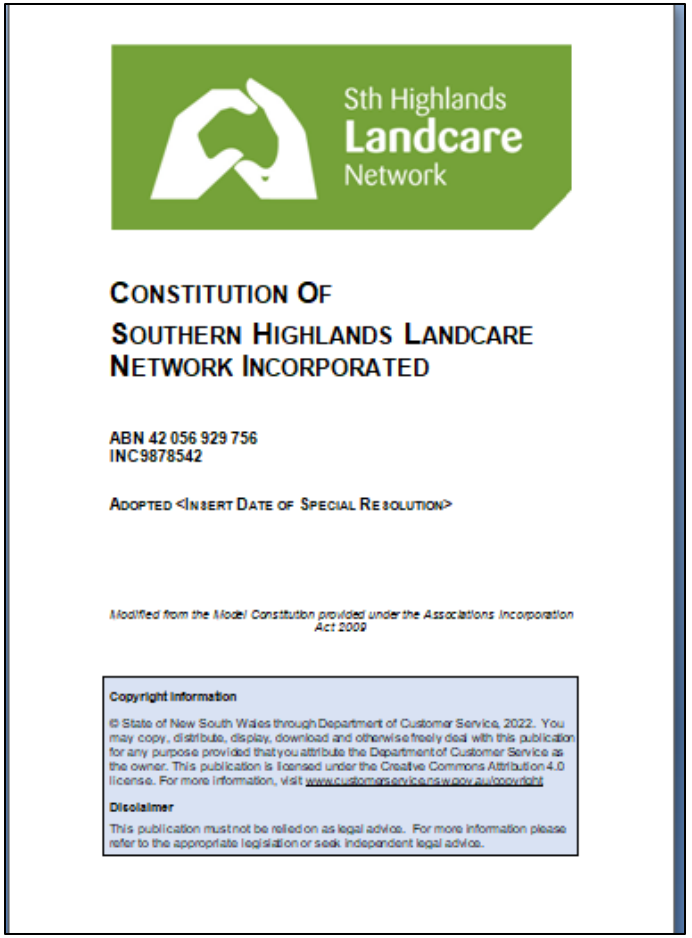
- SHLN Meetings held monthly, minutes circulated ***All members are welcome to attend, your input is appreciated***
- 2024/2026 AGM held 10th September 2026. Relevant forms /reporting submitted to Department of Fair Trading.
- 2025/2026 AGM scheduled for 9th September 2026. Invitation to attend the AGM and agenda emailed to members.

Governance

- Application for registration with ACNC (Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission) submitted. Registration as a charity required so we can be are endorsed by the ATO as Income Tax Exempt
- New Constitution adopted. Consolidation of changes required for ACNC compliance.
- Conflict of Interest and Related Parties Policies adopted.
- 2026/2027 NSW Landcare membership and insurance paid.
- Consideration being given to applying for endorsement as Deductible Gift Recipient (so we can receive donations that are tax deductible)

Engagement with Landcare State and Regional Bodies

- South East Landcare (SEL) AGM and Muster - Attendance
- SEL Chairs Meeting - held every two months



Sth Highlands Landcare Network

CONSTITUTION OF
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS LANDCARE
NETWORK INCORPORATED

ABN 42 056 929 756
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ADOPTED <INSERT DATE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION>

Modified from the Model Constitution provided under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009

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