

## Association For The Greening Of Inc.

Working Together for the Greening of Our Community

### Welcome to AFTGO first newsletter



Welcome to the first edition of the AFTGO newsletter. Every month we will update you with a list of available grants and activities across the membership.

The publication of a regular newsletter was a suggestion from our last meeting as we attempt to inform members of available funding, celebrate our achievements and to provide opportunities to participate in

broader based projects.

Over coming issues we hope to profile all member groups and to keep an updated list of available grants. The success of the initiative will depend largely upon your response and support.

Looking forward to receiving suggestions for joint projects or requests from groups seeking assistance in preparing grant applications.

*Annie Nielsen*

### Parramatta river walk closer to reality

At our last meeting Chris Levins, Director Parramatta Park Trust, advised that along with the support of Parramatta Council, Walking Volunteers and AFTGO the Trust had been successful in obtaining a grant of \$75,000 (equal contribution) to undertake work to create a walking path along the bank of the Parramatta River to the camp site of Governor Phillip on his historic 1788 expedition into the hinterland of the fledgling colony.

AFTGO will be involved in ongoing discussions and involvement related to the planning and construction of the track.



### Indian Myna bird project underway

Ken James (Anderson Avenue Vineyard Creek Bushcare) and Chris Crane (Seville Reserve Bushcare) demonstrated the use of a very lightweight and simple to use Indian myna bird trap. The construction of three cages culminates a small project funded through a small grant



obtained by AFTGO.

The three traps are available to members by contacting the Secretary (0401 181 170). Simple usage instructions are provided.

It is intended to run workshops in the near future for members and the public to construct their own traps.

AFTGO is a not-for-profit community group formed to assist environmental groups identify and apply for funds offered through both government and private enterprise sources. Membership is open to individuals, community groups, schools, business and government authorities/agencies.

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## CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

SUMMARY DETAILS	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Junior Landcare Grants Program</b>
<b>Source</b>	Landcare Australia
<b>Closing Date</b>	Ongoing
<b>Amount</b>	\$5000.00
<b>Description</b>	Through the Junior Landcare Grants Program, any school or organization (including youth groups, scouts groups, pre-schools, primary schools, high schools, day care centres) that would like to involve their students in landcare projects, in conjunction with local landcare groups, can apply for grants to assist them with the cost of their projects.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="http://www.juniorlandcare.com.au/grants-2">http://www.juniorlandcare.com.au/grants-2</a>
<b>Separator</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Catchment Protection and Improvement Grants</b>
<b>Source</b>	Sydney Catchment Authority (SCA)
<b>Closing Date</b>	1 April 2011
<b>Amount</b>	Up to \$8,000.00 for projects and/or up to \$2,000.00 for equipment hire.
<b>Description</b>	These grants support deserving community projects that will provide catchment protection and water quality improvement benefits.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/publications/publications/catchment-protection-and-improvement-grants">http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/publications/publications/catchment-protection-and-improvement-grants</a>
<b>Separator</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Climate Change Fund - NSW Home Saver Rebates</b>
<b>Source</b>	NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change
<b>Closing Date</b>	Ongoing
<b>Amount</b>	Rainwater tank rebate - up to \$1500.00, Hot water system rebate - up to \$1200.00, Washing machine rebate - \$150.00
<b>Description</b>	This fund helps people make their homes more water and energy efficient. It provides rebates for rainwater tanks, climate-friendly hot water systems, and water-efficient washing machines.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/rebates/index.htm">http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/rebates/index.htm</a>
<b>Separator</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Employee Volunteer Grant Program</b>
<b>Source</b>	National Australia Bank (NAB)
<b>Closing Date</b>	Ongoing
<b>Amount</b>	Various
<b>Description</b>	NAB provides two days paid volunteer leave each year for its employees to carry out voluntary work for non-profit organisations in their communities. NAB has over 20,000 employees in Australia with the opportunity to offer over 40,000 days of volunteering each year.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="http://www.nab.com.au/wps/wcm/connect/nab/nab/home/about_us/7/4/2/1/1/">http://www.nab.com.au/wps/wcm/connect/nab/nab/home/about_us/7/4/2/1/1/</a>
<b>Separator</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Riverprize Grants</b>
<b>Source</b>	International River foundation
<b>Closing Date</b>	30 March 2011
<b>Amount</b>	Total Pool \$500,000.00
<b>Description</b>	The aim of <i>Riverprize</i> is to give support to those who have developed and implemented outstanding, visionary and sustainable programs in river management. The grants go towards both work in river management and also river restoration.
<b>Contact</b>	<a href="http://www.riverfoundation.org.au/riverprize_entering.php">http://www.riverfoundation.org.au/riverprize_entering.php</a>