

Celebrate National Tree Day 2023

More than 3,000 seedlings will be planted across the Wagga Wagga region as part of National Tree Day 2023.

Wagga Wagga City Council has donated over 2,000 seedlings to 25 local schools and preschools for Schools National Tree Day on Friday 28 July, and another 1,200 for the community planting event on Sunday 30 July.

This year the Charles Sturt University Farm has kindly offered to host the community tree planting site, located off Cambourne Lane, Gobbagombalin.

This planting site has been selected to enhance foraging and shelter habitat within the flight path of the threatened Superb Parrot.

Major threats to the Superb Parrot include the clearing and degradation of nesting and foraging habitats, disturbance around nesting sites, and competition for nest hollows has resulted in a significant decline in the Superb Parrot's range and population numbers over the last few decades.

The National Tree Day seedlings have been specifically selected to enhance the connectivity of Superb Parrot flight paths and include White Box, Yellow Box, Deane's Wattle, Gold Dust Wattle and Kangaroo Thorn.

Once the seedlings have been established, the planting site will also contribute to vital corridor connections for a number of other native species, helping them to move throughout the area to seek food and shelter.

For those interested in taking part in Wagga Wagga's National Tree Day planting on Sunday 30 July registrations can be made online.

Volunteers should wear warm clothing, enclosed footwear and bring along a pair of gardening gloves. Planting equipment will be provided.

All participants will receive a free native seedling to take home and plant and be treated to a free sausage sizzle cooked by Wagga Wagga Urban Landcare and provided by Wagga Wagga City Council.

To register please go to wagga.nsw.gov.au/the-council/environment/

For more information contact Environmental Officer Sam Pascall on 1300 292 442

---- ENDS ----

MEDIA OPPORTUNITY

What: A community planting of 1200 seedlings as part of National Tree Day

WHO: Wagga Wagga City Council Environmental Officer Sam Pascall and volunteer community members.

Where: 224 Cambourne Lane, Gobbagombalin, off The Gap Rd. Follow directional signage

When: Sunday 30 July, 10:30am



Charles Sturt University Farm, Gobbagombalin.
Image Courtesy of WWCC.



Environmental Officer Samantha Pascall and Natural resource Management Officer Catherine Conroy. Image Courtesy of WWCC.



The Superb Parrot. Stock photo.

Contact 6926 9190 or media@wagga.nsw.gov.au

About Wagga Wagga City Council

Wagga Wagga City Council serves more than 68,000 residents across an area of 4825 square kilometres with an overall budget of more than \$236M.

The organisation manages more than \$2.48 billion in assets, including a 2300km road network, Wagga Wagga Airport, Livestock Marketing Centre and the Oasis Aquatic Centre.

Council also provides important community facilities such as Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, Wagga Wagga City Library, Museum of the Riverina and Civic Theatre, as well as maintaining countless parks, playgrounds and sporting facilities to ensure Wagga maintains its reputation as 'the City of Good Sports'.

Keep updated on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).