



yarra4life

2020-21 SNAPSHOT

Building connections for the environment and people through collaboration

Yarra4Life is a major environmental program in the Yarra Valley that improves, increases and protects habitat for native animals including the Helmeted Honeyeater and the Leadbeater's Possum.

Its long-term goal is to have habitat links from the Yellingbo Nature Conservation Reserve north to the Yarra Ranges National Park, south east to Kurth Kiln Regional Park, and west to the Dandenong Ranges National Park.

2020 -21 Achievements

Yarra4Life focused its work in 2020-21 around achieving the goals of its strategic plan – connecting ecosystems in the Yarra4Life area, connecting people with the natural environment and connecting Yarra4Life coordination partners.

Yarra4Life received \$23,089 through DELWP's Faunal Emblems Program to deliver targeted small community grants. A total of five community groups received funding to undertake works to support habitat restoration for Helmeted Honeyeater and Leadbeater's Possum. These projects will be completed in May 2022. The Faunal Emblems Program also provided \$32,860 to employ a part-time land stewardship officer to support landholders in the Yarra Valley and \$20,000 to support habitat restoration works at Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporations owned land at Nungunala. This project involved survey work and weed control across 45 hectares at the Nungunala Habitat Hub area.



Yarra4Life 2020-21

collective achievements



63.39 hectares

of native vegetation established

2112.4 hectares

controlled for weeds to
improve habitat



838.6 hectares

controlled for pest animals

18 Community Events

to improve knowledge and
understanding



6448+ hours

of volunteer time spent
caring for the environment

90 Landholder Engagements

Supporting landholders to
undertake environmental
restoration works



Looking forward

2021-22 will see the commencement of the Yering Gorge to Yarra Junction Integrated Catchment Management Project. Funding of \$1 million has been secured to deliver this project till June 2024.

2021-22 will also be Yarra4Life's 15 year anniversary. A special celebration event and planting day will be organised.



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- Connecting ecosystems in the Yarra Ranges
- Connecting people with the natural environment
- Connecting organisations to work together

