

World Water Day



Come and celebrate World Water Day on Saturday 24 March at Field of Mars Reserve by participating in activities and listening to wildlife talks.

ACTIVITIES

Time: 8.45am - 12noon (arrive at 8.45am for a 9.00am start)

Where: Visitors Centre, Field of Mars Reserve, Pittwater Road, East Ryde

Participants will be split into three groups and will rotate every hour between the three different activities below.

Activity 1: Dragons of Sydney Citizen Science Survey

We'll be collecting data about the local Eastern Water Dragon population in Field of Mars Reserve to inform our understanding of whether water dragon populations are increasing, decreasing or staying the same in urban areas.

Activity 2: Introduction to Bushcare

This hands-on bush regeneration activity will focus on what we can do to help restore our local bushland.

Activity 3: Water Quality Monitoring

During this activity, community members will conduct water quality tests to assess the creek and learn the importance of catchment management, water quality and the impact that pollution has on the Dragons and other biodiversity.

WILDLIFE TALKS

Time: 12.45 - 2.00pm

Where: Environmental Education Centre, Field of Mars Reserve, Pittwater Road, East Ryde

Dr Jacinta Green, The Parramatta River Riverkeeper will be joining us with her pet Eel, Ellie. Eels have a fascinating life history and are one of the most unique and important creatures in our river systems.

Shane Davies will tell you about his love of turtles and how he and a group of dedicated volunteers formed Turtle Rescue NSW. You will even get a chance to get up close to some of the Eastern Long Necked Turtles Shane has rescued.

Bookings essential for both World Water Day events.

Book online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/worldwaterday or call 9952 8222.