

Weekly newsletter • 28 August 2006

SEMINARS: THIS WEEK & FORTHCOMING

SRES HONOURS FAIR- TUESDAY 29 AUGUST, 1pm, Forestry Lecture Theatre, Building 48

Final Honours seminar:

1.05 pm - Nilmini Ponnamparuma "Culture, water and environment: the Mahawali Scheme, Sri Lanka"

Proposal Honours seminars:

1.20 pm - Daniel Hanrahan "Lichen biophysical activity"

1.35 pm - Daniel MacKinlay "Factoring systems"

Seminars will be followed by the SRES Honours Fair connecting prospective students with potential supervisors in SRES

2.00 pm - Honours, what it entails and its value to students

2.20 pm - Two-minute presentations by potential supervisors on potential projects (no powerpoint)

2.40 pm - Afternoon tea for prospective students and potential supervisors to discuss projects informally

HUMAN ECOLOGY FORUM - FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER, 10am-12pm, F101, Forestry Building 48

Daniel MacKinlay "Factoring systems"

CONGRATULATIONS

Geoff Cary has been appointed for a further term as Associate Editor with the International Journal of Wildland Fire.

The green steps program, for which Stefan Kaufman coordinates, the ANU's participation, was a finalist in the Sustainability Education category of the Australian Museum's Eureka Prizes.

DIARY DATES and NOTES

SRES Morning Tea – Wednesday 31 August, 10.45am, John Banks Court. Hosts Piers Bairstow & Mauro Davanzo

SRES Academic & General Staff Meeting – Friday 1 September at 9.15am, F101

Meeting with Will Steffen, Director CRES/ANUIE – 6 September, 11am

SRES Careers Night – 12 October details to follow

ABSENCES: THIS WEEK & FORTHCOMING

Phil Alcorn. 10 April-4 Sept. At the Institute of Silviculture, Freiburg University.

Sandy Berry and Peter Lee. 28 Aug-17 Sept, and Brendan Mackey, 28 Aug-11 Sept. Field work to the Great Western Woodlands W.A. as part of the ARC funded WildCountry project. They will be sampling vegetation structure to provide calibration data for remote sensing analysis, and working with their collaborators (led by Prof Harry Recher) who are undertaking the complimentary bird surveys

Janette Lindesay. Until Feb 2007. OSP.

David Little. 26 Aug-2 Sept. In Melbourne attending the "Goldschmidt 2006" conference, and presenting a paper entitled: *Microbiogeochemistry in the rhizosphere of two Australian forest trees*

Sarah O'Callaghan. 28 Aug-1 Sept. 16th Annual VM Goldschmidt Conference, Melbourne.

David Tongway. 26 Aug-2 Oct. Visits to the old Goldsworthy ironore mine in the Pilbara with CSIRO colleagues, calibrating hyperspectral remote sensing to have a "landscape function" read-out then the International Mine Closure Seminar sponsored by UWA, the Worsely bauxite mine to commence a similar task as in the Pilbara, again with colleagues from CSIRO Exploration and Mining.