

COURSE FEES

The course is supported by funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme, hosted by the Goulburn Murray Landcare Network in partnership with Goulburn Broken CMA. Subsequently, the course is being offered at the highly discounted rate of \$650 per person (normally valued at \$2,000).

Course fees include:

- Workshops over the eight days
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.
- Networking dinner
- Course notes, guides and planning templates
- A diverse network of key contacts and ongoing peer support group.

Please note, the course fees do not include accommodation and travel expenses. Successful applicants will receive the full program details and are required to accept their place and pay the full course fee by Tuesday 27 September 2016.

HOW TO APPLY

The course is open to farmers, land managers and community members in the Goulburn Broken Catchment to attend the course. People from outside the catchment are welcome to apply but priority will be given to those from within the catchment.

To apply, please fill in and submit the EOI form (available at www.gbcma.vic.gov.au) – places are strictly limited! EOIs should be submitted by 10 am Monday 5 September 2016 by emailing ashleyr@gbcma.vic.gov.au or posting to PO Box 124, Benalla VIC 3672.

Successful applicants will be notified by Monday 12 September 2016.

UNLOCK YOUR FARM BUSINESS POTENTIAL

Inspiring short course for farmers and land managers – learn key decision making tools to achieve success for you, your business and your environment.

6-7 October, 15-16 November, 6-7 December 2016 and 10-11 January 2017



Would you like to improve your soils, profitability and quality of life?

Are you keen to build your networks and share ideas with like-minded people?

Expressions of interest (EOI) are now open for an intensive short course in Holistic Management. Founded by Allan Savory, Holistic Management is a decision-making framework that ensures our decisions are economically, environmentally and socially sound i.e. the triple bottom line approach. Holistic Management enables you to develop a clear vision of the future you want.

The course will cover a range of topics including:

- Achieving your dreams and turning your passion into a profitable business
- Increasing business profitability through holistic financial planning
- Building better soils and pastures with planned grazing
- Successful time management and communication strategies.



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WHAT PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT

- 1 A ready-made network of like-minded farmers and land managers.
- 2 Practical, hands-on skills and strategies to monitor land health.
- 3 A deeper understanding of your core values and what is a priority to you, your business and your family.
- 4 Motivation, tools and practical strategies to confidently implement planned grazing on your property.
- 5 A supportive environment to explore new ideas and trial innovative farm management practices.
- 6 Tips on how to develop a financial plan that puts profit first.
- 7 Access to leading experts, resources and planning templates.
- 8 A simple framework to test that each decision is taking you towards your goals.

COURSE PROGRAM

Session	Date	Time	Topics
Session One	Thursday 6 & Friday 7 October 2016	9.00 am – 5.00 pm	Introduction to holistic management – history, ecosystem function and tools for making positive change.
Session Two	Tuesday 15 & Wednesday 16 November 2016	9.00 am – 5.00 pm	Achieving your dreams – holistic context formation, goal setting, time management, testing decisions and introduction to holistic financial planning.
Session Three	Tuesday 6 & Wednesday 7 December 2016	9.00 am – 5.00 pm	Grazing for profit – grazing plans, feed budgets and plant monitoring.
Session Four	Tuesday 10 & Wednesday 11 January 2017	9.00 am – 5.00 pm	Putting it all together – develop your own financial plan and grazing plans, and learn the steps to successful holistic land planning.
Networking dinner	Tuesday 10 January 2017	6.00 pm – 8.30 pm	Networking dinner with leading holistic land managers.

Course location

Conference Room, Department of Economic Development, 255 Ferguson Road, Tatura, Victoria 3616

Participants will need to book and pay for their own accommodation.

For accommodation options search online at: www.discovershepparton.com.au

COURSE PRESENTER

Farmer and educator Brian Wehlburg brings a wealth of experience in Holistic Management and has delivered similar courses all over Australia. Brian was trained by Allan Savory, the founder of Holistic Management, and is a certified Holistic Management Educator. He currently produces pastured beef, pork and eggs on his property on the Mid North Coast.

Brian is originally from Africa, where he managed his own agricultural enterprise, growing crops for export, breeding cattle and operating a safari business and wildlife conservancy. In Zimbabwe he held field days for local tribal farmers and involved his staff with new grazing practices. Since moving to Australia, he has broadened this hands-on experience, working for a pastoral enterprises in south-west Queensland and New South Wales.

Brian enjoys sharing his passion for environmental improvement and grazing management. As Director of Inside Outside Management he has worked with diverse groups, including Landcare, family businesses, sole operators and indigenous Australians. He has a real talent for working in a team with people from different backgrounds and cultures. This, together with his passion for Holistic Management allows Brian to create an atmosphere of trust within a group, enabling the diverse participants to actively contribute towards positive outcomes.



WHAT OTHERS SAY...

"In this age of constantly rising prices, and increasingly erratic weather, the Holistic Management course has given me techniques and strategies to manage my land without costly inputs, while building soil carbon, biodiversity, and stock health and performance. Much more than this though, it's given me tools to help me work out what I really want in life, and how to get there. Educator Brian Wehlburg effortlessly drove his points home with humour and intelligence, making this not just another course, but a life changing experience."

Carl, Tatong, Victoria

"After completing the Holistic Management course in Seymour I have rediscovered my passion for farming! Using the tools I have learnt, I am confident for a bright future where we work with nature and our grazing animals to grow grass and increase biodiversity."

Sam, Sidonia, Victoria

"The Holistic Management course got me thinking about the basics of soil and water management, and stressed how important it is to achieve a healthy soil. The course has enabled me to plan our grazing rotation for many months in advance, and maintain ground cover and optimal pasture recovery. Even though I was a sceptic, I reckon I have benefitted from doing the HM course. I didn't agree with everything, but some aspects really did make a lot of sense."

Jim, Benalla, Victoria

