



Ted Gardner

Area of Interest

*Water harvesting and recycling;
Catchment level water management*

Ted Gardner is Principal Scientist with the Queensland Department of Environment and Resource Management, leading the Urban Water Cycle group at the Environment and Resource Sciences Division, Indooroopilly. Ted's primary research area incorporates the biophysical and sustainability aspects of decentralised urban water systems, and alternative water supplies including rain water and storm water. Ted is also a Principal Research Scientist in CSIRO's Integrated Urban Water Systems group.

Ted has won several awards including Australia Day Award of the Public Service Medal for his work on water recycling and urban water supply and Distinguished Service Award by the Australian Water Association, Queensland Branch, in 2004.



Julian Gray

Area of Interest

Environmental communication, outdoor water conservation

Julian Gray is CEO of the Smart Approved WaterMark, Australia's outdoor water saving labelling program for product and services that save water outdoors. The Smart Approved WaterMark scheme was created in 2004 in response to the challenge of reducing per capita urban water consumption across Australia. Julian combines an educational background in international communications and environmental science with 20 years environmental marketing and communications experience in the public, not-for-profit and private sectors. He has consulted in environmental marketing communications across Europe, in Africa and Australia.

Throughout his career, Julian has championed the use of marketing to help address environmental issues. In the UK, Julian was involved in a number of national advisory committees, including UK Government committee's on branding protected landscapes and raising awareness of UK's Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. He was a foundation member of the Society for the Interpretation of Britain's Heritage a member of Heritage Interpretation International, and a national committee member of Interpret Britain including guest editor for *Interpretation Journal*.



David Mason

Area of Interest

Urban horticulture; Food security; Local food production

David Mason is the NSW Department of Primary Industries urban agriculture specialist. He has been working on establishing a sustainable role and place for agriculture in the Sydney Region since 1993. Currently, he is seconded to the newly established Office of the Hawkesbury-Nepean.

David facilitated a five year consultation process resulting in the release of the 'Strategic Plan for Sustainable Agriculture — Sydney Region' in 1998. He facilitated the establishment of Hawkesbury Harvest in 2000 and was the organisation's foundation chair.

In 2006 David was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to study urban agriculture in Singapore, UK, the Netherlands, USA and Canada.



Paul Rasmussen

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Paul Rasmussen is the Chair of the Lower Nepean Hawkesbury River Water Users Association – a large group of commercial food, turf and irrigation farmers in the Hawkesbury – for over 10 years and a tireless advocate for a healthy HN river. He coined the ‘Go with the Flow’ campaign for the river get well recovery programme.

Paul has also been the independent councillor for the Hawkesbury City Council for the last 10 years. He has chaired several community groups with a strong interest in the local economy, environment, defence, agriculture, tourism and community capacity building.

Paul had career in RAAF spanning over 30 years. He has travelled all over Australia and the world during this time. During this career, he had a special interest in SE Asia and SW Pacific. Before retiring from RAAF, he was as Base Commander, RAAF Base, Richmond, NSW. Currently, he is CEO of family owned IT systems integration company.



Bob Wilson

Area of Interest

Water management; state and local government administration

Robert (Bob) Wilson is a Director to the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority.

Bob is the Chair of the Independent Expert Panel on Environmental Flows in the Hawkesbury Nepean, Woronora and Shoalhaven Rivers. This panel advised the Hawkesbury Nepean River Management Forum and the Government on river health issues.

Bob has held several senior government sector positions including Secretary for Lands, Registrar General, Chief Commissioner for Water Resources and Managing Director of Sydney Water. He has served on a variety of Boards including NSW Treasury Corporation, Sydney Water Board, Hunter Water Board, Snowy Mountains Council, Murray River Commission, Public Interest Advocacy Centre, NSW Sustainable Energy Advisory Committee, Zoological Parks Board, and Royal Botanical Gardens & Domain Trust.

Bob holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree from the University of Sydney, is a Certified Practicing Accountant and a member of the Australian Computer Society, the Australian Water Association and the Institute of Public Administration.