

# NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH EAST WASTE FORUM

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## **Household Hazardous Waste Collections**

Regional Household Hazardous Waste collections will be conducted throughout the region during September and October 2003. Dates for collection in each council area are as follows. Please note times for each council area.

### **Tweed Shire Council –**

**When:** Wed/Thurs 17/18 September  
**Where:** Stotts Creek Waste Depot  
**Address:** Leddays Creek Road, (off Tweed Valley Way)  
**Time:** 8am – 3pm

### **Ballina Shire Council –**

**When:** Friday 19 September  
**Where:** Ballina Waste Management Centre  
**Address:** Southern Cross Drive, Ballina  
**Time:** 9am – 4pm

### **Byron Shire Council –**

**When:** Sat/Sun 20 and 21 September  
**Where:** Myocum Landfill  
**Address:** Manse Road, Myocun  
**Time:** 8am – 3pm

### **Lismore City Council –**

**When:** Fri/Sat 26 and 27 September  
**Where:** Wyrallah Road Waste Management Facility  
**Address:** 313 Wyrallah Road, Lismore  
**Time:** 9am – 4pm

### **Richmond Valley Council –**

**When:** Sunday 28 September  
**Where:** Nammoona Landfill  
**Address:** Dargaville Drive, Casino  
**Time:** 9am – 4pm

### **When:** Monday 29 September

**Where:** Evans Head Transfer Station  
**Address:** Evans Head/Broadwater Road, Evans Head  
**Time:** 9am – 4pm

### **Macleans Shire Council –**

**When:** Tuesday 30 September  
**Where:** Maclean Shire Works Depot  
**Address:** Pine Avenue, Townsend (off Brooms Head Road)  
**Time:** 9am – 3pm

### **Grafton City/Pristine Waters/Copmanhurst**

**When:** Sunday 5 and Monday 6 October  
**Where:** Grafton Waste Transfer and Recycling Centre  
**Address:** cnr Duke/Kirchner Streets, Grafton  
**Time:** 9am – 4pm

**For more information about what will be accepted call the clean out hotline on 1800 006 513.**

## NEW WAYS WITH LESS WASTE

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**NEWF Hazardous Waste Stores**  
A contractor has been appointed for construction of the NEWF household chemical waste stores located at Grafton and Lismore. Both sites now have development consents. Construction is expected to begin this month.

**Plastic Bag Awareness Campaign**  
The NEWF printed calico bags were such a success that more bags have been ordered to meet demand.

**Farewell to Heather Cook**  
It saddens me to write today that Heather Cook, NEWF Co-ordinator for the past 3 years, will be leaving on October 10 to take up a position with the Australian Antarctic Division, coordinating clean up of various waste sites, oil spills etc in Antarctica. Heather has done a truly wonderful job of keeping the NEWF running in a most dedicated and professional manner. Heather will be missed by all who have worked with and for the NEWF, and we wish her well in her new endeavour.

**NEWF Review**  
The NEWF resolved during planning for this year's projects to undertake a full review of the NEWF activities and operations. A sub-committee has been formed (Ken Wilson – Grafton; Tim Gooley – Pristine Waters; Russell Chaplin – Byron; Gordon Fraser-Quick – Ballina; Craig Kelly - Lismore ) to oversee the review. A set of questions relating to the structure and operations of the NEWF has been circulated to all council staff, NEWF co-ordinators and other stakeholders such as RNSW. The responses will be given to an independent consultant who will utilise the information to facilitate a workshop to assess the NEWF and propose possible new directions. For further information contact one of the sub-committee members mentioned above. Responses should be sent to Gordon ([gordonf@balshire.org.au](mailto:gordonf@balshire.org.au)) by September 12.

**Hazardous Waste Training**  
NEWF is offering Hazardous Waste Training by Haztech Industries in response to a request at this year's NEWF Landfill and Transfer Station Operator Training and in preparation for the establishment of the NEWF household chemical waste stores in Grafton and Lismore. The training will be held over two days either late October or early November 2003, hopefully at one of the new NEWF household chemical waste stores. The course is open to anyone interested in attending. The cost for financial NEWF members is \$200/person and non-financial or non-NEWF members \$400/person. Numbers are limited.  
Please contact Heather for bookings.

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