

LAST CHILD in the WOODS

Sunday 28 September 2014

10.30am to 2.00pm at Kamarooka

The Northern United Forestry Group (NUFG) is a not-for-profit community group that reclaimed 50 ha of bare salt-affected land at Kamarooka in 2004, and has since turned it into an agriculturally productive oasis.

Join the NUGF on Sunday 28 September to celebrate 10 years of the Kamarooka project with a fun family day including children's nature trail, sausage sizzle and birthday cake. Site tours available.

REQUIREMENTS: Water bottle, sensible shoes, sunscreen and hat.

COST: FREE

Booking is essential and closes 5pm Wednesday 24 September.

LOCATION: Elmore-Tandarra Rd, Kamarooka.

Follow signs on the Bendigo-Tennyson Rd, Kamarooka (30km north of Bendigo)

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BACKGROUND

Richard Louv is chairman of the Children and Nature Network.

He is author of 'Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder', and the inspiration behind NUGF's Kamarooka activity. In his book Louv argues that "today, kids are well aware of the global threats to the environment, but their physical contact, their intimacy with nature on a day-to-day basis, is fading. Louv says that many parents are aware of the change, and they sense its importance.

Psychologists reported in 2003 that nature in or around the home, or simply a room with a view of a natural landscape, helped protect the psychological well-being of the children."

