



Photo: Australian Platypus Conservancy

## Get involved in the great Goulburn Broken platypus search

The platypus is a popular Australian icon. However, very little is known about how this unique mammal is faring across much of Victoria.

A major study is now being launched to monitor platypus in rivers in the Goulburn Broken Catchment and the good news is that local residents can play a key role in keeping track of this fascinating monotreme.

Platypus experts from the Australian Platypus Conservancy will be presenting a free talk about platypus on the following dates and will help train interested people on how to monitor their local platypus populations:

- Benalla: Platypus talk - Friday February 22, 7pm at the Moira-Benalla Club, 1 Benalla St, Benalla. Training workshop – Saturday February 23 at 4pm (Lake Benalla – please register).
- Yea: Platypus talk & training workshop – Thursday February 28, 2pm at the Yea Council Chambers, 15 Semi Circle, Yea.
- Alexandra: Platypus talk & training workshop – Thursday February 28, 7pm at Alexandra Council Chambers, Perkins St, Alexandra.
- Seymour: Platypus talk – Friday March 1, 7pm at Chittick Park Community Place, Chittick Park, Pollard St, Seymour. Training workshop – Saturday March 2 at 4pm (Goulburn River Seymour – Please register)

The sessions are free but **registration is essential**. Please RSVP to Andrea Muskee on 5822 7707 or [andream@gbcma.vic.gov.au](mailto:andream@gbcma.vic.gov.au) by 5pm Tuesday February 19 for the Benalla sessions and by 5pm Tuesday February 26 for the Yea, Alexandra and Seymour sessions.