



CWCN **QuestaGame** Challenge

Do you love the outdoors? Do you have an interest in your local natural environment and own a smartphone or an ipad/tablet, or have access to one? Then this is for you. The Cubberla-Witton Catchments Network invites you to join them on a big adventure. Become a citizen scientist, discover and photo-capture native fauna, flora, fungi species and upload them to QuestaGame.

How does it work? Go to www.questagame.com, download the free app, find and join the Cubberla-Witton Catchments Network 'Clan' and be part of the CWCN team collecting and sharing data. The game has been designed with a reward system. It is competitive and fun to play, and suitable for young and old. We expect entire families to join the 'Clan' and help us to gather data on our local biodiversity. All sightings contribute to real research and conservation, and the playing is free.

Participants receive 'gold' rewards for their uploads, more if it's a rare capture or if they are able to identify correctly. If not, specimens are identified by experts from i.e. Australian museums. A lovely explanation of how the app works is provided on www.questagame.com/thebasics.

QuestaGame is a great way to keep a young generation occupied during the school holidays and beyond. Players are not only challenged to look for interesting species around them, but to have a go at identifying them as well. It's also a great way for adults to use their smartphones on their walks to capture that flowering native plant or record that animals they encounter in garden or bushland.

CWCN is looking forward to many participants. You can start and join the CWCN 'Clan' now and test the game. CWCN will officially kick off their QuestaGame Challenge on

Saturday, 23rd June 2018, by providing an introduction on how it all works, allow attendees to test their skills, ask any questions and be guided. All that will happen at the CWCN Centre at 47 Hepworth St, Chapel Hill. **Starting at 2:00pm** the event allows for two to three hours of fun and learning the ropes of QuestaGame, plus there is **ample time for chat, afternoon tea and a sausage sizzle** too. **This is a free event, just bring your smart device.** Please RSVP to cwcncmail@tpg.com.au. It makes catering a little easier.

