



Next Meeting Friday 28 October 2011 starting at 7.30pm at Redlands IndigiScapes Centre

For eighteen years, Bronwyn Elliott has specialised in sustainable and environmental management with a particular interest in communication and changing people's behaviour.

A large portion of this time has been involved with the business of waste which included sorting through piles of waste from garbage trucks, staring into wheelie bins, skip bins, stormwater drains as well as sitting in parks, gardens, shopping malls, events and other places watching what people do.

Bronwyn's has spent the past nine years in her own simple business sharing ideas about sustainability to businesses, government and individuals. She was also helping corporates with their packaging footprint and local governments manage their community's waste.

Before that she was in 'real employment' in the corporate world. This included environmental roles within a variety of industries as well as within the retail and government sectors.

Bronwyn is the former Executive Officer for the Waste Management Association Australia (WMAA) Queensland branch and is now the Secretary of the Queensland Recycled Organics Council (Q-ROC).

What actually is Waste? What Waste reduction things are happening? What can We each do? All these questions and more! Bring your own waste questions or simply come along and hear more about this thing called waste we all have responsibility for!!!

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Steve Homewood

Recently I attended our annual AGM which this year was hosted by the Gold Coast Branch and held in the hinterland at Springbrook. It was a great venue for a conference, high up in the hills with easy access to some spectacular walks.

It was a chance not only to renew friendships with other Branch members, exchange ideas, but also to listen to some unique and respected speakers. Workshops, meetings and walks made this a very busy worthwhile weekend I left the venue not only reinvigorated but with a greater understanding of the environmental challenges ahead of us.

Gold Coast Branch and WPSQ head office are to be congratulated with their venue and speaker selection, their catering and organisation.

At our Branch we have many challenges ahead, locally Kinross Road proposed development and Quarry expansion plans are foremost and we urge you to continue lobbying to try and least reduce or even stop these planning disasters that will certainly greatly impact our wildlife. The real challenge is to try and get across the message that growth is not necessary good, the depletion of natural resources, ground water, agricultural land and pollution to creeks cannot in the long term be good for our flora, fauna and the ultimate viability of all species.

Don't forget that our final event for the year will be a celebration of 25 years that the Branch has been in existence, its achievements and its influence on environmental issues. Come along enjoy the company fellow members, listen to a great speaker and look at the history of the branch. It will be a silver theme and light refreshments will be available

"We won't have a society if we destroy the environment." Margaret Mead -

Wildlife Walk

Our walk on Sunday 9th October 2011 celebrated World Animal day.

J.C.Trotter Park in Cherborg Street, Burbank was the venue chosen.

We made the power line easement the first part of the walk to get the hot and open part out of the way. Then we could enjoy the cooler forest walk. We observed a number of different vegetation types and heard a variety of birds though many seemed shy about showing themselves. The wrens were the most cooperative of the birds seen. There were also some of the wild flowers still blooming.

From a distance the Leslie Harrison Dam was looking lovely in the morning light but up close it was a bit of a different story with the weed *Salvinia* spreading out at least 4 metres from the shore line. Hopefully the *Salvinia* 'bug' is already at work on this awful weed.

After a walk of almost 2 hours the morning refreshments provided at conclusion of walk were very much appreciated. Thanks Maureen & Steve.



We were there

You no doubt heard about the Lakeside Wildlife Discovery at Victoria Point held over 2 days in September school holidays. We contributed to the event by providing a display about wildlife and our society's work as well as providing information leaflets on a number of different wildlife.

Thanks to Doreen and Steve for setting up and organising the event.



*Part of the Bayside Branch display.
Photo @ Maureen Tottenham*

Seen in Redlands

King parrots have been seen in a number of locations around Redlands recently. The one in the photo below was noticed when it stopped to chat to pet birds.



Photo @ Steve Homewood



Wildlife Qld Annual General Meeting — Springbrook

The Wildlife Queensland Get together and AGM was held at Koonjewarre, Springbrook, over Friday 9 to Sunday 11 September, 2011.

A number of our Bayside committee members attended the weekend activities or part thereof. These included Steve Homewood who delivered the Bayside Branch report as well as Simon Baltais, John Payne, Michael Lusi and Doreen Payne.

Simon Baltais was elected as WPSQ President for another year. Steve Homewood and John Payne were each elected as Vice presidents.



Members attending the AGM weekend enjoyed lunch in the sun. Photo @ Belinda Homewood

Glossy Black-Guidelines

The Glossy Black Conservancy launched the Glossy Black-Cockatoo Conservation Guidelines on Thursday 15 September at Redlands Indigiscapes. The Mayor, representatives from the Conservancy and many others including Wildlife Queensland were in attendance.

The Glossy Black Conservancy is a collaborative effort by community, industry and government partners across south- east Queensland and northern NSW and aims to facilitate improved conservation outcomes for the vulnerable Glossy Black-Cockatoo across the region the guideline aims to achieve the same.

These guideline contain useful information with regard to the species and guidance on conservation management. The guideline is available on the website at www.glossyblack.org.au

While the guideline references legislation that can be utilised to help protect the Glossies a short coming of the guideline itself is that it has no legislative weight, relying on the good will and the whims of land use decision makers.

This is not surprising given biodiversity itself is given no real protection in Queensland. A useful next step would be to incorporate the Glossy Black-Cockatoo Conservation Guideline into a State Planning Policy on Biodiversity only then will there be some level of certainty that the Glossies will receive the protection they deserve.



Koala Phone in Survey

Annual survey to identify numbers, distribution and trends of our Redland Koalas.

When: Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 October
Time: Between 8am & 5pm

Report all sightings on 3820 1103

Conducted by Koala Action Group.

Mangrove Watch Cleveland

Mangrove Watch survey teams help to monitor the health of mangroves in Moreton Bay. Why not join the Bayside Branch Mangrove Watch on their next monitoring session at Cleveland.

When Sunday 13th November

Start time 3.30pm

Where Cul-de-sac at the end of Long Street Cleveland.

Wear Enclosed footwear, old clothes (you could get muddy)

Bring Water, mosquito repellent, hat, sunscreen.



Your reward is checking on the health of the mangroves in good company and you are supplied with refreshments at the end.

Contact Steve on 38240522



Christmas cards

Brisbane branch of Wildlife Queensland (WQ) in conjunction with head office have designed and printed a number of Wildlife Queensland Christmas cards.

There are 5 designs using images from the front cover of Wildlife Australia magazine (WAM) and they are designed as a promotion for WQ, WAM and a fundraiser for branches. They will be printed on 250GSM monza hi gloss recycled art and will be sold in packs of 10 cards, 2 of each design, and with 10 recycled envelopes. A pack of 10 beautiful cards sell for \$10.

Bayside branch will have a number of these packs of cards available for purchase at the next 2 meetings.

Date Claim

Saturday 19 November Science in the Pub. Grand View Hotel 9am for the latest science on Moreton Bay and climate change impacts on our rainforests.

HELP US TO RECYCLE

Bayside branch committee members are committed to recycling as much as possible. Our Treasurer - Maureen has successfully located organisations who will take goods for recycling and some of these translate into an income for our society. She is always finding new things to recycle.

ITEMS THAT CAN WE CAN RECYCLE INCLUDES:

- Aluminium Cans
- Cabling, electrical cords and other scrap metal and brass
- Batteries - they can be car batteries, torch batteries or mobile phone batteries etc.
- Bubble Wrap
- Blankets and Towels, Face washers
- Teddy Bears (new and used)
- Out of Date First Aid Supplies
- Used Postage Stamps
- Old Reading Glasses (adults/kids)
- Empty Egg Cartons
- Shopping Bags - plastic and any bags that can be reused
- Balls of Wool
- Old Mobile Phone & accessories (Batteries, handsets)
- Ewaste (Computers, Any Electrical items etc)
- Printer/Toner Cartridges
- Can ring pulls
- Old X-rays
- Wine Bottle Corks
- Preloved clothing and shoes for children and adults
- Ice Cream Containers
- Exercise, soccer and basket balls

PLEASE THINK BEFORE YOU THROW ITEMS IN GENERAL RUBBISH AS THAT GOES INTO LANDFILL

To donate any of these items please ring Maureen on 0418197160 or bring them to the monthly meeting.



Learn that Weed



*Dutchman's Pipe
(Aristolochia
elegans)*

A fast-growing perennial woody vine up to 3 m high, Dutchman's Pipe is declared in Queensland as a Class 3 environmental weed. Its leaves are poisonous to livestock and

particularly fatal for Richmond birdwing butterflies that confuse it with their traditional food species. The butterflies' larvae die soon after eating the leaves.

Leaves are grey-green, soft and heartshaped, up to 12 cm long, waxy under surface, spaced alternately along the stem. In summer, maroon coloured flowers, grow in an unusual pipe-shaped form, marked with white, yellow, and brownish blotches, up to 7.5 cm long. Fruits are a segmented papery capsule, to 6 cm long, with short extension at the apex. They open like an upside-down parachute containing about 350 papery tear-shaped seeds. These are dispersed by wind and water and especially threaten dense forests where the vines smother native vegetation and form impenetrable thickets

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*From The Kedron Brook Babbler June 2011
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Wildlife Rescue

If you find sick or injured wildlife in Redlands please contact Wildlife Rescue Redlands 24 hours on 07 3833 4031

For Marine Strandings please report to 1300 130 372

A Green Jewel calls Redlands home once again - October 2011



Richmond birdwing butterfly (*Ornithoptera richmondia*)
Photo © Jennifer Broomhall

The recent sighting of the magnificent Richmond Birdwing butterfly in suburban Thornlands (Redlands) is fantastic news and potentially signifies that this butterfly once again is calling the Redlands home.

The identification has been confirmed by Dr. Ian Gynther of the Threatened Species Partnerships - Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, DERM.

The Richmond Birdwing, *Ornithoptera richmondia* has become extinct from two-thirds of its original range and continues to contract.

The Richmond Birdwing butterfly was destined to become extinct until a mighty effort was put in by organizations such as the Richmond Birdwing Conservation Network (RBCN) - a project of Wildlife Queensland and Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) and sympathetic residents who undertook a major planting of their larval host plant, the *Aristolochia praevanosa* vine, across South East Queensland

Simon Baltais for Wildlife Queensland said 'It seems this major planting exercise put in by concerned residents and the education and recovery effort undertaken by RBCN and DERM has potentially turned the species trajectory away from extinction.

The exact location of the recent sighting is being kept confidential but it's clear

that this very large and absolutely beautiful butterfly (14 - 16cm wingspan) can survive if suitable habitat is protected, even within suburbia'.

Mr. Baltais said 'The network is abuzz with this great news. This is not only one of Australia's most beautiful butterflies but it's up there with the world's best. To help save it from extinction is exciting stuff and just goes to show what a collaborative effort and a caring community can do'.

Wildlife Queensland Bayside Branch and the Wildlife Queensland Research Group is now seeking feedback from Redland residents to determine if more have been sighted and if residents have planted the larval host plant the *Aristolochia praevanosa* vine. This knowledge will help us understand the potential size of the Redlands population and its potential to expand.

Mr. Baltais said 'Wildlife Queensland has put a suggestion forward to DERM to establish a greater recovery effort in the Redlands to ensure the species has a secure future.'

'We believe the butterfly has a good chance of flourishing given the Redland City Council and Redlands community are sympathetic to the environment and its wildlife' said Mr. Baltais.

Anyone interested to know more about the butterfly or wishing to join the Richmond Birdwing Conservation Network please visit the [RBCN project website](#).

(Extract from Wildlife Queensland website)

Are you on email?

Would you prefer to receive your Bayside Newsletter by email?

If you would like to exchange your paper copy of the newsletter for the full colour email version please let us know by emailing - wildlifebb@bigpond.com

It will save paper, envelopes and postage.

Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland Bayside Branch

Email- bayside@wildlife.org.au

Website - <http://www.branches.wildlife.org.au/bayside>

<p>Meeting Information</p> <p>When <u>Last</u> Friday of each month (excluding December & January)</p> <p>Where Redlands IndigiScapes Centre 17 Runnymede Road, Capalaba</p> <p>Time 7.30 pm</p>	<p><i>Opinions expressed, implied or inferred in this newsletter are those of the author and not necessarily those of the Society..</i></p>	<p><i>Illustration by R Opala</i></p> 
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Wildlife Diary Dates

Friday 28 October Bayside Branch General Meeting IndigiScapes, Runnymede Rd, Capalaba
Sunday 13 November Mangrove Watch Cleveland
Friday 25 November Bayside Branch members and guest Celebrate 25 years of action IndigiScapes, Runnymede Rd, Capalaba
Saturday 26 November Science in the Pub Conservation forum

Membership Application

Wildlife Preservation Society of Qld Bayside Branch

Date / /

-- New or Renewal

Membership types

- \$30.00 Single
- \$20.00 Concession
(pensioner or full student)
- \$45.00 Family or non profit group
- \$12.50 Junior (under 13 years)

Name _____

Address _____

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Email address _____

Special Interests _____

Optional

Subscription: Wildlife Australia magazine
(Educational, informative & great photography)

- \$42.00 per year inc GST (four issues)
posted within Australia
- \$65.00 per year posted overseas airmail

Donation (optional) \$ _____

For campaign
(Bayside does not have tax deductible status)

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

As a member I agree to be bound by the
rules of the society

Signature _____

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