

# INFO-FLOW



*The Bi-monthly Newsletter for Pine Rivers Catchment Association*



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## Hays Inlet Week Special Edition

*See inside for a full program listing*



### CARING FOR THE CATCHMENT

#### **New council covers catchment.**

The formulation of the Moreton Bay Regional Council will allow a more coordinated approach toward the management of the Pine Rivers Catchment with two rather than four councils covering our catchment. It's an exciting time for the Saltwater Creek catchment which feeds Hays Inlet with three local governments becoming one to manage this internationally significant wetland area. This Makes the Hays Inlet Awareness week especially important this year with a new approach to managing the Saltwater Creek Catchment area under the Moreton Bay Regional Council.

#### **Hays Inlet Week 2008**

Hays Inlet Week celebrates the people, places and environment of the Hays Inlet Catchment through a series of environmental, art, sport and social activities designed to highlight the importance of the catchment to our wonderful lifestyles. Hays Inlet Week is a cooperative between local governments, community groups and individuals from the Hays Inlet Catchment.

A full listing of events are in this edition of Info Flow, hope to see you there! [www.haysinlet.ospreyhouse.asn.au](http://www.haysinlet.ospreyhouse.asn.au)

#### **New federal funding announced**

Under the Rudd Governments new "Caring for our Country" \$2.25 billion dollars will be spent over five years to continue the investment in natural resource management which has come via the national Heritage Trust in previous years.

Envirofund will not continue, however, Caring for our Country will use small grants to deliver on its priorities. The Envirofund will be replaced with a range of more targeted small grant activities under the integrated Caring for our Country. These include Community Coastcare grants, Landcare grants and Reef Water Quality grants.

#### **Community Assistance Scheme Open**

The Moreton Bay Regional Council's Pine Rivers Division is inviting applications from Community organisations within the Pine Rivers Shire boundaries for financial assistance for projects, events and activities to be held between 1 July and 31 December 2008 applications close April 30.

#### **Volunteer management workshop**

Volunteering Queensland are providing a one day workshop which covers some of the principles and practices of setting up and sustaining grass roots groups including

- Turning your community passions and ideas into action
- Working with different models of involvement and engagement
- Forming and sustaining community groups and initiatives

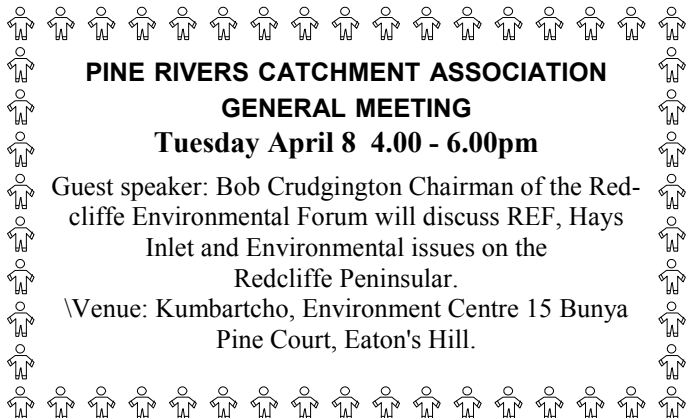
This is a great opportunity for all volunteer managers and coordinators to learn some practical skills you can take away and apply to your volunteer program.

Cost: \$25 VQ members \$36 non members

Date: Monday 14 April, 9am—3pm, Caboolture Central Library RSVP Ph 3002 7600

#### **Four years as coordinator**

On March 9 I passed the milestone of four years as catchment coordinator, thanks to all for your support.



**PINE RIVERS CATCHMENT ASSOCIATION**  
**GENERAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday April 8 4.00 - 6.00pm**

Guest speaker: Bob Crudgington Chairman of the Redcliffe Environmental Forum will discuss REF, Hays Inlet and Environmental issues on the Redcliffe Peninsular.

Venue: Kumbartcho, Environment Centre 15 Bunya Pine Court, Eaton's Hill.

# Hays Inlet Week May 30—June 9

## Photography Competition

DATE: Closes 16<sup>th</sup> May

VENUE: Selected entries displayed at Pathways Library, North Lakes from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> June (UBD Map 89 L9)

INFO: Grab your camera and get out into the catchment to photograph our wonderful people, places and wildlife. Categories include Landscape or Waterscape Image, Natural Living in the Environment and People.

Winners announced at the *Birds of a feather get-together*.

SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council

COST: \$2 per section entered. ENTRY FORMS:

[www.haysinlet.opsreyhouse.asn.au](http://www.haysinlet.opsreyhouse.asn.au) or from Osprey House Environmental Centre, Dohles Rocks Rd, Griffin (UBD Map 100 C6) or Council Offices and Libraries.

## Green Garden Competition

DATE: Closes 9<sup>th</sup> May

INFO: Open to all green and sustainable gardens in the Hays Inlet Catchment. Residential categories include Wildlife and Native Garden, Productive Garden (edible). Also open to schools and volunteer managed public areas. Judges will be looking for environmental sensitivity (use of local native plants), design and layout features, waterwise features and other sustainability features such as composting, remnant vegetation retention and provision of wildlife habitat.

Winners announced at the *Birds of a feather get-together*.

SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council

COST: \$5 per category ENTRY FORMS:

[www.haysinlet.ospreyhouse.asn.au](http://www.haysinlet.ospreyhouse.asn.au) or from Kumbartcho Community Nursery, Bunya Pine Court, Eatons Hill (UBD Map 107 N17) and Council Offices and Libraries.

## Bag a Weed

DATE: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> June TIME: opening times Thursdays and Fridays from 9am – 3pm and Saturday 8am – 12 noon VENUE: Pine Rivers Community Nursery, Kumbartcho, Bunya Pine Court, Eatons Hill (UBD Map 107 N17) INFO: Bring a shopping bag of weeds (collected in the Hays Inlet Catchment) to the nursery and swap it for a local native plant. SUPPORTED BY: Kumbartcho Community Nursery COST: Free, just bring your bag of weeds. Limit two bags per person

## Botanical Art of the Inlet

DATES: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May – 30<sup>th</sup> June

TIME: Wed to Fri 10am – 3pm, Saturdays 10am-2pm, Sundays 10am-3pm VENUE: Pine Rivers Heritage Museum, Old Petrie Town (North Pine Country Park), Dayboro Rd, Kurwongbah via Petrie (UBD Map 88 B19)

INFO: An exhibition of botanical artworks featuring native plants of the Pine Rivers and Hays Inlet Catchment area. The Hays Inlet catchment is home to over 1100 species of plants. These beautifully detailed artworks include mangroves from the Inlet, majestic rainforest trees of the D'Aguiar Range and many others in between. Artwork and other items (cards, bookmarks etc) for sale.

SUPPORTED BY: Botanical Artists' Society of Queensland Inc and the Moreton Bay Regional Council COST: Free

## History and Environment of the Inlet

DATE: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

TIME: 10am – 11.30am VENUE: Redcliffe Museum, 75 Anzac Avenue, Redcliffe (UBD Map 91 R5)

INFO: Three speakers will discuss three different aspects of Hays Inlet. Redcliffe Museum Curator, Michelle Smith, will speak on the naming of the Inlet and its early history. Bob Crudgington, passionate environmentalist, will speak on the habitats and wildlife of Hays Inlet and the issues affecting it. Melanie Brennan, Moreton Bay Regional Council Environment Officer, will discuss the role of local government in managing the Inlet.

SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Museum, Moreton Bay Regional Council and Redcliffe Historical Society

COST: Free (includes morning tea - RSVPs essential)

BOOKINGS CONTACT: Redcliffe Museum 3883 1898

## Bike the Bay

DATE: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May TIME: 9am – 11am

VENUE: Scarborough (more detail provided on booking)

INFO: Grab your environmentally friendly bicycle for a leisurely bike ride from Scarborough to Brighton. Join the Scouts and enjoy a flat bike ride using safe bike tracks along the edges of beautiful Bramble Bay. Fun activities set-up along the way. Suitable for families. BYO bike.

SUPPORTED BY: Scouts Queensland

COST: \$7 (payable on booking)

BOOKINGS CONTACT: Bookings Officer Qld Scout Centre 3721 5739

## Lifestyle Kids fishing program (Sunfish)

DATE: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May

TIME: 9am – 1pm

VENUE: The Pine River, details at time of booking.

INFO: Learn to fish the sustainable way. Learn all about tying knots, baiting, casting, safety and fish identification. Suitable for boys and girls from 9 to 14 years of age.

Bring hat, mozzie repellent, sunscreen, a water bottle and wear enclosed shoes and sunglasses.

SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Fish Management Association COST: Free (Lunch included)

BOOKINGS CONTACT: Gary 0416 053 422 Bookings essential, limited spaces available.

## Hornibrook Bridge Walk

DATE: Saturday May 31 TIME: 9.30am – approx 10.45am

VENUE: Meet northern end of Hornibrook Bridge (UBD Map 91 C20)

INFO: Hear the history of the Bridge and enjoy the views. The walk is wheel chair accessible and not suitable for children under 10 years.

Wear walking shoes, hat, sunscreen and carry a water bottle.

SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Walking for Pleasure and Redcliffe Environmental Forum Inc

COST: Free FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Ian Harding 3284 0028 [margaret.harding@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.harding@bigpond.com)

or Bob Crudgington on 3880 4447 – [bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au](mailto:bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au)

## **Beach Walk**

DATE: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

TIME: 10 am to 12 noon.

VENUE: Meet at Brighton Park (at the very end of the bitumen road), Brighton. Parking is available. (UBD Map 100 N8)

INFO: You are invited to join in a guided beach walk. This is a 1.5 to 2 hour interpretive beach walk along the banks and sand flats near the mouth of Pine Rivers. Come and meet the interesting animals such as hermit crabs, amphipods, moon snails and shell house worms. Wear shoes that can get wet, bring a hat and sunscreen. All are welcome. However, the beach walks are not wheelchair accessible.

SUPPORTED BY: Bramble Baywatch is a community group supported by SANDBAG & Keep Sandgate Beautiful Association Inc. COST: Free FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Laurie Jeays on 32691671

## **Top of the Pine 4WD tour**

DATE: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> of May TIME: 8am – 4pm

VENUE: Details provided on booking

INFO: Pine Rivers Catchment Association has gained exclusive access to tour the top of the Hays Inlet catchment, along the D'Aguiar range from Mt Glorious to Mt Mee. Drive-yourself on restricted forestry roads that pass through a range of vegetation types. We will enjoy panoramic views east over the Pine Rivers Catchment and the Brisbane Valley to the west and a BYO picnic lunch in the wilderness. Guided by forestry rangers and local experts we will break regularly to discuss national park management, catchment management, geology and the flora and fauna of this rarely driven site. Car pooling is available.

SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Catchment Association and the Queensland Environmental Protection Agency COST: \$10 per head or \$20 per vehicle, includes 1 years free membership to the Pine Rivers Catchment Association FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Bookings Essential to Trudi at PRCA on 3325 1577 by Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May

## **Environmental Trivia Night**

DATE: Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May TIME: 7pm VENUE: Kumbartcho Environmental Centre, Bunya Pine Court, Eatons Hill (UBD Map 107 N17) INFO: Baffle your family and friends with your knowledge of our local environment (you won't have to be Einstein to have fun with these questions).

Form your own team or meet new friends on the night – all welcome. Bring your choice of cold drinks. Nibbles and tea and coffee will be provided.

Prizes on the night and great fun for all ages. Dress for the outdoors. SUPPORTED BY: Kumbartcho Sanctuary Volunteers COST: \$5 per person BOOKINGS CONTACT: Kim 0417 627 039 or [kimp@kumbartcho.org.au](mailto:kimp@kumbartcho.org.au)

## **Thanksgiving Service**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June

TIME: 9.45am

VENUE: St Margarets Anglican Church, 58 Rainbow St, Sandgate (UBD 110 Q5)

INFO: A communion service with environmental theme celebrating Hays Inlet and world environment week.

SUPPORTED BY: St Margarets Anglican Church COST: Free

## **Nature Walk**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June TIME: 9am – 11am

VENUE: John Oxley Reserve, Ogg Rd, Murrumba Downs (UBD Map 99 F2). Meet near the reserve signage at the end of the carpark.

INFO: Join renowned native plant expert (and designer of Roma St Botanical Gardens) Lawrie Smith for a guided walk through John Oxley Reserve. Walk through gum forest to the mangrove boardwalk along the Pine River. This area is thought to be the landing place of John Oxley when he discovered the Pine River.

Suitable for walkers with a moderate level of fitness. Bring water, hat, insect repellent, sunscreen and wear comfortable shoes. BYO morning tea.

SUPPORTED BY: Society for Growing Australian Plants – Pine Rivers Branch COST: Free MORE INFORMATION: Bob Bannon 3205 4101 (a/hours)

## **On the Bay Day**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June TIME: 9am – 2pm

VENUE: Bramble Bay, Pelican Park and Clontarf Beach, Hornibrook Esplanade, Clontarf (UBD Map 91 F18) INFO: Come and enjoy a fantastic family day of fun on the edge of Bramble Bay. Try your hand at Kite making and flying. Get out on the water and have a go at dragon boating and outriggering.

Fun activities with Redcliffe Wildlife Rescue and much more. SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council COST: Free

## **Birds of a feather make art together: Bringing the outside in – Tricia Reust**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June

TIME: Two workshops: 9:30am – 12 noon; 12:30pm – 3:30pm

VENUE: Pelican Park, Clontarf, adjacent to the Tourist Information Centre (UBD Map 91 G17)

INFO: Pastel artist Tricia Reust will teach drawing techniques with the express purpose of introducing the outdoors into the art work. Through a focus on incorporating individually drawn found objects into a larger composition, participants will produce work which expresses their impression of the "en plein air" experience. Participants will also experiment on recycled cotton rag papers produced by Red Hot Fibre.

The workshop will cover composition, drawing techniques with a focus on expressive line, and assessing the final work. Drawing notes provided by tutor.

For more information on Tricia's art visit :[www.triciareust.com](http://www.triciareust.com). Age Limit 16 years and older. Numbers are limited to 10 persons per workshop.

Materials are to be supplied by participants (list provided upon booking). SUPPORTED BY: Red Hot Fibre ([www.redhotfibre.com.au](http://www.redhotfibre.com.au)) and the Regional Arts Development fund.

COST: \$20 per person. Bookings by Friday 23 May.

BOOKINGS: Red Hot Fibre on 3203 6221 or [info@redhotfibre.com.au](mailto:info@redhotfibre.com.au)

## **Birds of a feather make art together: Watermarks & imprints on paper – Lesa Hepburn**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June

TIME: Three workshops: 9:30am – 11am; 11:30am – 1pm and 2pm – 3:30pm

VENUE: Pelican Park, Clontarf, adjacent to the Tourist Information Centre (UBD Map 91 G17)

INFO: Natural Fibre Artist Lesa Hepburn will lead a workshop to produce watermarked and embossed handmade papers that are inspired by the environment of Redcliffe and Hays Inlet and which demonstrate art making techniques using recycled cotton rag paper

For more information on Lesa Hepburn's art visit:

[www.lesahepburn.com](http://www.lesahepburn.com). Age Limit 16 years and older.

Numbers are limited to 10 persons per workshop.

SUPPORTED BY: Red Hot Fibre

([www.redhotfibre.com.au](http://www.redhotfibre.com.au)) and the Regional Arts Development Fund COST: \$20 per person. Bookings by Friday 23 May. BOOKINGS: Red Hot Fibre on 3203 6221 or [info@redhotfibre.com.au](mailto:info@redhotfibre.com.au)

## **Sail Lake Kurwongbah**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June TIME: 10am – 4pm

VENUE: Pine Rivers Rowing Club, 328 Dayboro Rd Kurwongbah UBD Map 88 A17 (opposite the North Pine Country Markets and the Pine Rivers Heritage Museum)

INFO: Learn to sail a model yacht. Radio Controlled Yachts is a rewarding hobby for all ages and genders. Sit beside a lovely lake and spend time with your mates and make new friends too. Sailing these yachts use the same techniques as for sailing full size yachts. Come and have a go. BYO picnic to enjoy at the lake's edge. Suitable for all ages. SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Radio Yacht Club COST: Free Contact: Ray Nasmith 3285 44354 or email [hnaasmith@bigpond.net.au](mailto:hnaasmith@bigpond.net.au)

## **In the Mud – Waders of Hays Inlet**

DATE: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June TIME: 1pm – 2.30pm

VENUE: Osprey House Environment Centre, Dohles Rocks Road Griffin (UBD Map 100 C6)

INFO: As the tidal mud flats of the Inlet are exposed the wader birds begin their feasting, searching for tasty delights before the sea returns again. Join the Osprey House Volunteers and let them share their insight into these fascinating birds. SUPPORTED BY: Osprey House Volunteers COST: Free BOOKINGS CONTACT: Kim 0417 627 039 or [kimp@kumbartcho.org.au](mailto:kimp@kumbartcho.org.au)

## **Moontrees Exhibition**

DATE: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June

TIME: Mon, Tues, Wed 9.30am -5pm, Thurs 9.30am – 8.30pm, Saturdays 9am- 4.30pm

VENUE: Redcliffe City Library, Oxley Avenue, Redcliffe (UBD Map 91 R3)

INFO: Without recycling of waste, including paper, the Inlet would be filled with rubbish. View Moontrees - part of the Pulp Fiction Exhibition made from recycled paper and see how waste is turned into art. These works were made by students from North Lakes State College working with artist Lesa Hepburn on the theme of stories and art from the environment.

SUPPORTED BY: Red Hot Fibre and Redcliffe Library

COST: Free

## **Pine Rivers Koala Bear's Picnic**

DATE: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June TIME: 9.30am – 11.30am

VENUE: advised on booking

INFO: A Teddy Bear's Picnic with a difference – Aussie Animal theme.

Come along and meet Mother Nature and Kopper the Koala from Kumbartcho Environmental Sanctuary. Learn about native animals with Geckos live wildlife show. Enjoy Aussie animal games and fun with Playgroup Queensland and Pine Rivers Koala Care Association.

Prizes for best costume and best Aussie animal cuddly toy friend. Suited for families with children under 5. BYO picnic. SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council COST: Free

BOOKINGS CONTACT: Moreton Bay Regional Council Call Centre 3480 6666

## **Hornibrook Bridge Walk**

DATE: Tuesday June 3 TIME: 9.30am – approx 10.45am

VENUE: Meet northern end of Hornibrook Bridge (UBD Map 91 C20) INFO: Hear the history of the Bridge and enjoy the views. Learn about the natural history of the area and the value of the inlet in terms of sustaining the fisheries and wildlife of Moreton Bay.

The walk is wheel chair accessible and not suitable for children under 10 years.

Wear walking shoes, hat, sunscreen and carry a water bottle. SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Walking for Pleasure and Redcliffe Environmental Forum Inc COST: nil

FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Ian Harding 3284 0028 [margaret.harding@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.harding@bigpond.com) or Bob Crudgington 3880 4447 [bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au](mailto:bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au)

## **“Nature's Gardens” bus tour of garden competition finalists**

DATE: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June TIME: 12:30pm – 5pm

VENUE: Advised on booking

INFO: This half day bus tour will visit selected gardens of the finalists of the Hays Inlet Week green garden competition, as well as a visit to the Redcliffe Botanic Gardens and Kumbartcho Sanctuary. Includes afternoon tea.

SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Catchment Association COST: \$10 per head including 1 year's free membership to the Pine Rivers Catchment Association FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Trudi at PRCA on 3325 1577

## **Hays Inlet Boat Cruise**

DATE: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 10am – 2pm

VENUE: meeting point advised on booking

INFO: Enjoy a relaxing boat trip on the Ferryman. Cruise through Hays Inlet and along the beautiful Pine Rivers estuary. Learn about the plants, animals and ecology of this special and unique area. Enjoy expert commentary from bat care expert Louise Saunders, Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland Pine Rivers members and author of *Living with the Environment* John Bowden.

SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council COST: \$25 (includes morning tea and lunch, drinks available for purchase on board)

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: Spaces strictly limited – contact Trudi at Pine Rivers Catchment Association on 3325 1577

### **Birdwatching Walk**

DATE: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 8am – 10.30am  
VENUE: North Lakes. Meet in the carpark outside the Sales and Information Centre, Lakefield Drive (UBD Map 89 M8) INFO: Join Barbara Bailey for a walk along the side of Lake Eden, maybe to the bird hide and back. Then pool cars to drive north on Discovery Drive, to Lacebark Street lake and wetlands. If time, look around Melaleuca Lakes on the way back to the carpark. There are good coffees and cookies for sale in the café nearby. Please bring hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water, comfortable shoes and binoculars if you have them.  
COST: Free CONTACT: Barbara Bailey 3889 4222. Not necessary to book – just show up at the carpark above at 8am.

### **Hornibrook Bridge Walk**

DATE: Thursday June 5 TIME: 9.30am – approx 10.45am  
VENUE: Meet northern end of Hornibrook Bridge (UBD Map 91 C20) INFO: Hear the history of the Bridge and enjoy the views. The walk is wheel chair accessible and not suitable for children under 10 years. Wear walking shoes, hat, sunscreen and carry a water bottle.  
SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Walking for Pleasure and Redcliffe Environmental Forum Inc  
COST: nil FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Ian Harding 3284 0028 [margaret.harding@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.harding@bigpond.com) or Bob Crudgington on 3880 4447 [bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au](mailto:bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au)

### **Pine Rivers Bushcarers' Bash**

DATE: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June *World Environment Day*  
TIME: 11am VENUE: To be advised at time of booking  
INFO: Celebrate World Environment Day and everyone's hard work on bushcare in the Hays Inlet catchment with a delicious gourmet bushfood lunch. Join with bushcarers from the Pine Rivers catchment, Saltwater Creek, Bald Hills and Redcliffe areas. A great social networking opportunity for bushcarers or an ideal opportunity to see what it's all about. Ideal for those who have always thought about getting involved in Bushcare.  
SUPPORTED BY: Moreton Bay Regional Council  
COST: Free for Bushcare Volunteers working in the Hays Inlet Catchment, \$10 others BOOKINGS CONTACT: Moreton Bay Regional Council Call Centre 3480 6666

### **Thanksgiving Service**

DATE: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 6pm  
VENUE: St Mary's Anglican Church, 91 Sutton St, Redcliffe (UBD Map 92 B6) INFO: An ecumenical service celebrating World Environment Day.  
SUPPORTED BY: St Mary's Anglican Church  
COST: Free CONTACT: Judy Seymour 3203 4193

### **Birds of a feather get-together**

The Hays Inlet Week Official Celebration  
DATE: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 7 for 7.30pm  
VENUE: Bramble Bay Bowls Club, Cnr Victoria Ave and Hornibrook Esp, Woody Point (UBD Map 91 L16)  
INFO: Be entertained by renowned wildlife expert Ric Natrass for a night celebrating Hays Inlet. Presentation of awards for Hays Inlet Week. Dress: Smart casual  
SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Environmental Forum COST: \$20 (includes finger food) Venue is licensed. BOOKINGS CONTACT: Pete Johnson 3203 8017 a/hours

### **Hays Inlet Bushwalk**

DATE: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June  
TIME: 9.30 – 11 am  
VENUE: Chelsea St Environmental Reserve, Chelsea St. Kippa Ring (UBD Map 81 R2)  
INFO: Interpretive Walk starting at Chelsea St Reserve. Walk along Hay's Inlet and Saltwater Creek learning about in Inlet, its wildlife and vegetation from your experienced guides.  
Please bring hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water and wear enclosed shoes. Walk distance is approximately 3km and is not suitable for prams or wheelchairs.  
SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Bushcare  
COST: Free  
BOOKINGS CONTACT: Wendy Heath 0404 828 924

### **Walk the North Pine River**

DATE: Friday June 6 TIME: 8am to 5pm  
VENUE: Whiteside (details advised on booking)  
INFO: Come and explore the North Pine River on this combined walk and bus trip with local environmental professionals and be involved in the consultation process to develop a plan to restore the North Pine River from Lake Samsonvale to the Bruce Highway Bridge. Following this join us for the official launch of the Murrumba Project with a ceremonial tree planting of a Hoop Pine at John Oxley Reserve. Wear suitable walking shoes and bring hat, water bottle etc. A full day walk suitable for those with a moderate level of fitness. SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Catchment Association COST: \$5 per head including lunch and 1 year's free membership to the Pine Rivers Catchment Association FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Trudi at PRCA on 3325 1577

### **Going Potty at Pine Rivers Community Nurs-**

**ery** DATE: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 9am – 12 noon  
VENUE: Pine Rivers Community Nursery, Kumbartcho, Bunya Pine Court, Eatons Hill (UBD Map 107 N17)  
INFO: Join the volunteers at Pine Rivers Community Nursery and see what it takes to grow local native plants for revegetation. Learn about seed collecting, propagation and potting up. Suitable for the whole family. Wear closed-in shoes, a hat and bring a water bottle. Great native plants from the Hays Inlet Catchment for sale. SUPPORTED BY: Pine Rivers Community Nursery Volunteers COST: Free BOOKINGS CONTACT: Kim 0417 627 039 or [kimp@kumbartcho.org.au](mailto:kimp@kumbartcho.org.au)

### **Hays Inlet Mangrove Walk**

DATE: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 8.30am - 9.30am  
VENUE: Meet in the street outside Peninsula Animal Aid, western end of Duffield Road, Clontarf. (UBD Map 91 B10) INFO: Walk along the foreshores of Hays Inlet. Learn about the mangroves and ecology of Hays Inlet. Look for kangaroos, birds and other fascinating creatures of the Inlet. Not wheel chair accessible, unsuitable for children under 10 years. Wear old enclosed footwear. Bring hat, water bottle, sunscreen and insect repellent.  
SUPPORTED BY: Redcliffe Walking for Pleasure and Redcliffe Environmental Forum Inc. COST: Free  
FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: Ian Harding 3284 0028 [margaret.harding@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.harding@bigpond.com) or Bob Crudgington 3880 4447 [bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au](mailto:bob.crudgington@powerup.com.au)

## Canterbury Park Tree Planting and Family

**Day** DATE: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 10am – 1pm  
VENUE: Canterbury Park, Rushworth St, Bald Hills (UBD Map 99 G18) INFO: Come join the Bald Hill Bushies in protecting the valuable estuary region of the South Pine River. The local native trees you plant will provide habitat for wetland birds and revegetate a section of creek that flows directly to the estuary and Hays Inlet. Bring a hat, sunscreen, waterbottle and wear enclosed shoes. Includes environmental displays, kids activities and sausage sizzle for volunteers. SUPPORTED BY: Brisbane City Council, Pine Rivers Catchment Association and Bald Hills Bushies COST: Free

## Mermaids of the Inlet

DATE: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June TIME: 10am – 11.30am  
VENUE: Osprey House Environment Centre, Dohles Rocks Road Griffin (UBD Map 100 C6)  
INFO: Early sailors often mistook Dugongs as 'mermaids'. These unique mammals graze on the seagrass beds and visitors will be amazed by the interesting stories and their vulnerability due to the presence of man.  
SUPPORTED BY: Osprey House Volunteers  
COST: Free BOOKINGS CONTACT: Kim 0417 627 039 or [kimp@kumbartcho.org.au](mailto:kimp@kumbartcho.org.au)

## 'The Local' - The Casual Catchment Closer

DATE: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
TIME: 10am-3pm  
VENUE: Woody Point Croquet Club, Cnr Oxley Avenue and Hornibrook Esplanade, Woody Point (UBD Map 91 N18)  
INFO: "The Local" Handmade + Homemade  
A bring, buy and swap mini-market featuring locally made and grown product. PLUS live music and try your hand at croquet!!!  
Food and drink available for purchase.  
SUPPORTED BY: Red Revolution  
COST: \$5 at the gate  
CONTACT: Stallholders contact Lisa 0412 919 955



### The Hays Inlet Week organising committee

*A collective of community groups, local government officers and local artists working together to promote the value of Hays Inlet to the wider community*

## THE DRUM ON SOUTH PINE

*Jann McArthur Project Officer & Volunteers Coordinator (0419 029 585)*

While you read this I am in Costa Rica, Central America camping somewhere in a 550 hectare patch of rainforest below the volcano "Turrialba". Due to its geographical location, Costa Rica bridges the northern and southern most points of the two American continents. This makes Costa Rica the meeting point of a variety of cultures and a density of plant and animal species said to be unlike any other country in the world. Costa Rica is among the countries with the highest amount of protected land in the world; 25% of the national territory is dedicated to the national park system or biological, marine and land reserves, as well as other natural wildlife areas.

Meanwhile in Australia autumn has begun and migratory birds like the rainbow bee-eaters (*Merops ornatus*), are on their way back north and out of Australia. They tend to collect into large flocks and fly at night so you'll probably only notice that the sound of their happy little high pitched chitter is no longer in the air. They'll all be back again at the end of winter to cheer us up through spring and summer but I can't help wondering what will happen to these birds and other migratory species with climate change, maybe they won't have to migrate here or they may just decide they no longer need to leave. Thank you to the 17 people who helped Clean Up along the Ashworth Trail from Riversleigh Drive to under the Eatons Crossing Bridge and along the paths and streets. It was a beautiful day for walking along the river collecting 2 cubic metres of trash. Afterwards we joined the volunteers that helped Kumbartcho Clean up Australia and had great discussions about the environment around the BBQ.

## CAT'S CLAW BIOCONTROL

In the last Info flow we mentioned that PRCA, PRSC, SEQ Catchments and the Allan Fletcher Research Station are working together to coordinate and monitor the release of two biocontrol agents for cat's claw creeper. The agents approved for release are two insects, the first a leaf-sucking tingid bug (native to South America) the nymphs of which suck on the leaves of cat's claw causing severe chlorosis. The second, the Leaf-Tying Moth, also from south America, have larvae which feed on cat's claw and cause severe leaf damage. It's been almost two months since the release of the agents and start of the breeding program and the insects are doing quite well. The moths are being bred in enclosures to allow them to build up numbers prior to release. The tingids have been released in the open, but suffered from cattle grazing the area inadvertently eating our precious insects! Fencing has since been installed to keep the cows away.