



FAUNA RESCUE ASSOCIATION INC.

CARING FOR QUEENSLAND'S WILDLIFE

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NEWSLETTER – May—June 07 – ISSUE 37

DIARY DATES

FRQLD COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**July 7th
July 21st
August 18th**

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

**Ensure your membership is current!
*If your membership is not current you are not covered by FRQLD's blanket permit to care for wildlife.***

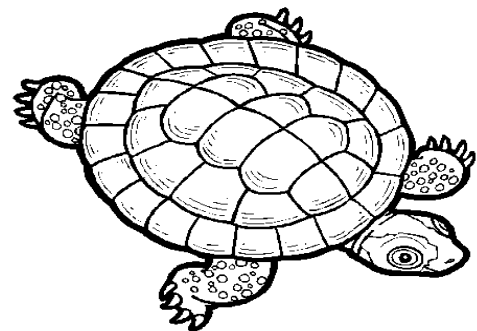
For membership enquiries please phone Lynne Clarke on 49465736.

FRQLD LICENSE

If you rescue, transport and /or care for wildlife you should have a copy of our blanket permit on hand at all times. We recommend you keep a copy in the glove box of your car in case you are rescuing and transporting animals.

ANIMAL RECORDS

Please forward all Animal Records to the appropriate species co-ordinator by the end of each month to ensure your records are recorded on our new database.



2007 Environmental events calender

June

Cassowaries courting and mating, wedge tailed eagles, which mate for life, still have courtships each year. Breeding may occur from April to August. Humpback whales appear in the Barrier Reef waters after northern migration up the east coast from Antarctica.

July

Humpback mothers, calves, adult males and sub adults are seen heading north. Magpies breeding season starts—male magpies may become aggressive.

August

Humpback whales seen in Whitsundays are returning south. Magpie breeding season—male magpies may be aggressive.



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NATIONAL WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CONFERENCE

6h - 9th August 2007

www.nwrc.com.au

Queensland Wildlife Rehabilitation Council Inc.
www.qwrc.org.au

PRESIDENTS REPORT

I would like to thank all the members who attended the Annual General meeting. It was heartening to see so many of you. Thank you too for the trust you have placed in me as the new President of Fauna Rescue. I am looking forward to building on the work of the previous Presidents and Committees.

Congratulations to the newly elected committee members. I am sure the following twelve months will see Fauna Rescue go from strength to strength. There will no doubt be some challenges along the way but I am confident that the committee will work together and achieve positive outcomes for the overall benefit of the organization and its members.

To those of you who are not inclined to renew your membership may I ask you to reconsider? Perhaps you don't feel you have sufficient time to participate. Maybe you really want to be a carer, but don't think you have the necessary skills or facilities to do so. Perhaps you are feeling disenchanted about something. Whatever the reason, we don't want to lose you, so please give me the opportunity to discuss your concerns. I can be contacted on 07 4947 3075.

I am very conscious that members of Fauna Rescue are volunteers. You contribute your time, energy, expertise and enthusiasm because you choose to do so. Lets work together to make a difference not just for the wildlife of Whitsunday but also for each other. Someone once said " Life wasn't meant to be easy" but that doesn't mean it can't be fun.

Sue McLeod.

GLOBAL WARMING and THE EFFECTS ON AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE

Scientific studies in Australia identify at least 90 animal species at risk from the effects of climate change. Climate change is a threat for at least one third of the endangered species in Australia.

Some of the endangered species may be able to adapt to climate change, however scientific studies can only be completed when the species either adapt or perish.

The reason certain species are at high risk are as follows:

Species have lost their habitat due to land clearing or other usage.

Animals that have been reduced to small populations and have a small genetic base are at risk because they may not be strong enough to deal with changes.

Animals that have a poor ability to migrate are at risk because climate change requires them to move to more suitable areas.

Animals such as Koalas are at risk because of the negative impacts climate change can have on CO2 levels decreasing the quality of their food source.

We can do something. There is a need for reductions in Greenhouse pollution by approx. 60% of current levels.

In Australia 80% of our electricity comes from burning coal. Most of the Greenhouse gases in our country is from our electricity .

Other causes are from burning oil for transport and clearing land.

We can change by using sustainable energy sources, changing our transportation, recycling and being aware.

It all starts with one person and if we all make changes, we will make a difference.

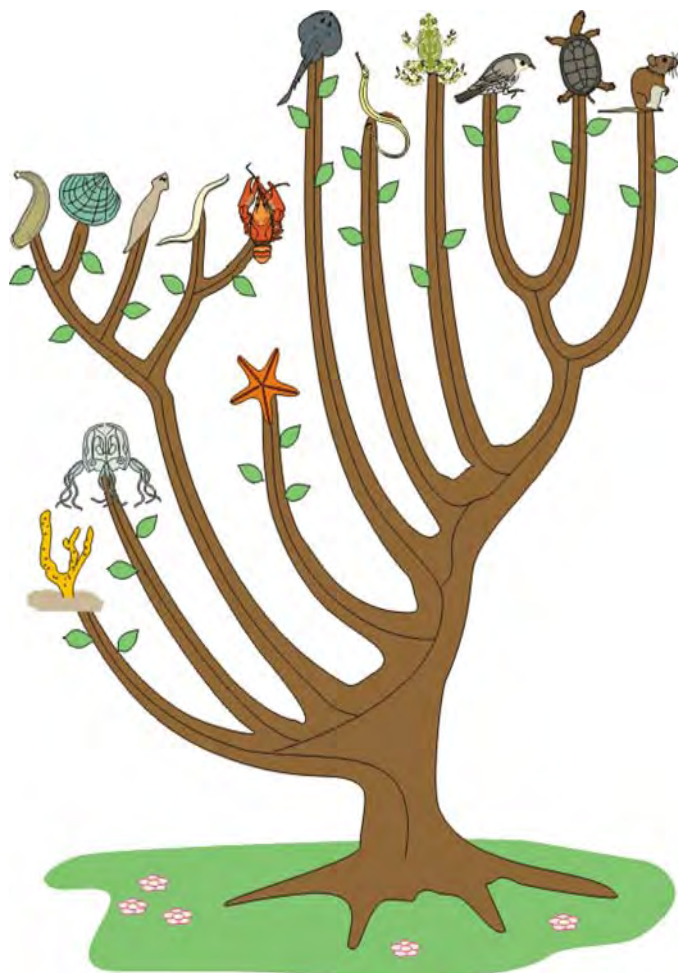
By Shelley Edwards

Information sourced from Climate Action Network of Australia. www.cana.net.au

PLANTS TO PUT IN YOUR GARDEN FOR THE WILDLIFE.

Creating a wildlife friendly garden is a rewarding experience for yourself and for the wildlife. If you want to attract native birds to your backyard there is a list of plants you can buy to create your own sanctuary.

Golden Wattle
Broad Leaved lillypilly
Soap tree
Pink Ash
Native ginger
Alexandra palm
Weeping bottlebrush
Kangaroo vine
Deciduous Fig
Rusty Fig
Small fruited fig
Yellow Teak
Yellow Box wood
Wonga Vine
Bower of beauty



Pacific Black Ducklings

By Jacqui Webb

Photos by Sandy Cleeland & Janie White



On the 10th April I received 8 Pacific Black Ducklings from Karensa (QPWS), Lindeman Island. Apparently the nest had been destroyed. They tried to reunite with Mum but she was not the least bit interested.

It was a real novelty to get these little guys in. I had cared for loads of Black Ducks whilst in Adelaide, in fact every duck breeding season you could guarantee we would get quite a few into care. The mothers used to nest in suburbia, near peoples swimming pools! But that was 10 years ago. Here in the Whit-sundays though we hardly saw these babies. I have only had 2 black ducklings in care since moving here.



We set them up with a small cage inside, under a heat lamp for warmth at night and a feather duster hanging in the cage as substitute mum.

During the day they were placed outside on the grass to get lots of fresh air, sunshine and learn to hunt bugs. We fed them a mixture of chicken crumble/wombaroo insectivore mix/baby cereal/egg and biscuit mix/calcium. This was supplemented with meal-worms and beetles plus duck weed and chopped up spinach. They also had a shallow dish of water for bathing in which they

took to 'like ducks to water'.

They were very entertaining to watch. There seemed to be a leader who would always take the initiative to do something first, whether it was chasing a bug or having a bath. All the others would then follow suit. There was also one who was always very vocal and I soon learnt to stop rushing outside to see if there was something wrong.

These little guys thrived, growing very quickly, so it wasn't long before we had to erect a bigger enclosure for them and provide them with a baby bath, which they loved.



On May 24th they were nearly fully fledged, I would estimate only a few more days till they started flying. Janie, from QPWS kindly organized a flight back to Lindeman Island and picked them up on her way to work. They were released that day on a big dam there, where the other black ducks live.





**You are invited to attend the Fauna Res-
cue Whitsundays Bird Workshop
Presented by Dr Jim Pollock**

You are invited to attend
an
Information Forum
for
Wildlife Rehabilitators
on
Sunday 22nd July
at the
North Queensland Wildlife Care Building
25 Aitken Street, Aitkenvale
Townsville
From 1 till 4pm

For further information contact
QWRC Vice-Chair – Eleanor Pollock
on 4779 7708

Come and hear about the Queensland Wildlife
Rehabilitation Council Inc (QWRC)
Bring your questions and share with other
rehabilitators

1300 ANIMAL (264 625)

Members of the public who find an injured animal can call 1300 ANIMAL (264 625) to report the injured animal. The call centre, which will be resourced by the RSPCA, will then direct the call to the nearest wildlife carer or rescuer in the area, using its database.

Calls reporting domestic animals will be connected to the nearest council officers or RSPCA ambulance. This is a Qld wide number.

Fauna Rescue of Qld hotline number is now listed on this database.



**Thursday 26th July
7pm – 9.30pm**

**Proserpine Community Centre
Herbert Street, Proserpine**

Please bring a plate of nibbles for supper.

**RSVP
19th July
Jacqui 4947 3308**

AL'S FAUNA RESCUE SYSTEM

FAUNA RESCUE QLD Inc., Whitsundays
 ANIMALS FOUND BETWEEN 3/04/2007 and 13/06/2007 for ALL CARERS
 (No. of records = 30)

COMMON NAME	CARER	ID	DATE		WHERE FOUND	STATUS	DISPOSAL	DATE		RELEASE PLACE
			FOUND	RELEASED				RELEASED	RELEASED	
Brush-turkey: Australian	Linden Baker		24/04/2007		Canunovale	Released		24/04/2007		Canunovale
Coucal: Pheasant	Elizabeth Gordon		20/04/2007		Bowen	In Care				
Curllew: Bush-stone	Linden Baker		7/05/2007		Jubilee Pocket	In Care				
Dove: Peaceful	Susan McLeod		30/04/2007		Conway	Released		30/04/2007		Conway
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#1	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#2	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#3	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#4	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#5	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#6	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#7	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Duck: Pacific Black	Jacqui Webb	#8	10/04/2007		Lindeman Island	In Care				
Echidna: Short-beaked	Jacqui Webb		27/04/2007		Proserpine Dam	Released		7/05/2007		Proserpine Dam
Frogmouth: Tawny	Elizabeth Gordon		18/04/2007		Bowen	In Care				
Frogmouth: Tawny	Linden Baker		7/05/2007		Faluma Road	Euthanised		7/05/2007		
Galah	Carol Consentino		22/04/2007		Scottsville	Died		23/04/2007		
Honeyeater: Blue-faced	Carol Consentino		4/04/2007		Scottsville	Died		11/04/2007		
Kookaburra: Blue-winged	Carol Consentino		29/04/2007		Scottsville	Died		29/04/2007		
Kookaburra: Laughing	Linden Baker		8/04/2007		Canunovale	Euthanised		8/04/2007		
Marrukin: Nutmeg	Jacqui Webb		3/05/2007		Airrie Beach	Died		4/05/2007		
Petrel: Herald	Elizabeth Gordon		19/04/2007		Bowen	Died		20/04/2007		
Pigeon: Squatter	Carol Consentino		25/04/2007		Scottsville	In Care				
Swallow: Welcome	Elizabeth Gordon		21/04/2007		Bowen	Died		22/04/2007		
Unknown	Elizabeth Gordon	UNKNOWN FINCH	3/04/2007		Bowen	Died		4/04/2007		
Wallaby: Agile	Carol Consentino	CODY	13/04/2007		Scottsville	In Care				
Wallaby: Agile	Carol Consentino	AMANDA	15/04/2007		Scottsville	In Care				
Wallaby: Agile	Elizabeth Gordon		22/04/2007		Bowen	Died		22/04/2007		
Wallaby: Agile	Linden Baker		12/05/2007		Lindeman Island	Euthanised		12/05/2007		
Wallaby: Agile	Jacqui Webb		13/05/2007		Proserpine Airport Rd	Euthanised		13/05/2007		
Wallaroo: Common	Carol Consentino	CHERYL	7/04/2007		Collinsville	In Care				

Letter from Quoll Ecologists

Dr Meri Oakwood and Mr Peter. Foster have planned Quoll surveys for the region between Rockhampton and Townsville. The first two sites they have begun surveying are in the Byfield Conservation park area, unfortunately no Quolls were caught. They will be trapping around the Proserpine area over the next couple of weeks. If any members have had any recent Quoll sightings they would like to share, Meri would appreciate it. Also if any members have any Quoll bodies in their freezers, Meri and Peter would be grateful if they could take measurements and a DNA sample. The DNA is to try to determine if Queensland northern Quoll populations have a gene for resistance to cane toad toxin. The DNA would be sent to Prof. Thomas Madsen at the University of Wollongong for analysis.

The best way to get in touch is on their mobiles:

Peter: 0415 673 210
Meri: 0423 910 324

Newsletter Stories

Please contribute to the newsletter. All I am asking is for a couple of paragraphs on an animal you have cared for or anything of interest relating to Wildlife. It's great to share experiences of being a carer and makes the newsletter more interesting! Please e-mail me at shell22s@yahoo.com or if you don't have a computer you can send contributions to PO BOX 689 Cannonvale 4802. Your assistance will be very much appreciated.

Shelley Edwards.

A special thankyou to Jacqui Webb for being so helpful with Newsletter stories. She is a wealth of information!

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