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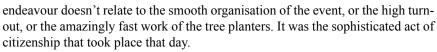
NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF GOOD WILL

By Tina Lathouras

On Saturday 23rd October the inaugural community tree plant took place on the Maleny Community Precinct land. More than 400 people planted 4000 trees in this, the first of hopefully many tree plants to revegetate parts of the site over the next ten years.

Maleny residents and people from further afield showed an enormous display of community spirit and commitment to the environment.

What struck me most about this



We were doing what the ancient Greeks embraced when, as part of the *polis*, citizens took seriously their obligation to be active in their community; to put communityinterest above any particular rights they may have as citizens.



Our recent federal election demonstrated that we are living in times when our system of representative democracy has seemingly let us down, and where leadership and political will across many areas of community concern has left us feeling ambivalent about the political process. This was strongly demonstrated with the results of a hung parliament and the high Greens party vote.

Yet, tree planters and the myriad of other community members who contribute to the high social capital of this town through their good works, daily demonstrate their citizenship. We may be disappointed at one level with politics, but at the community level we are embracing it.

Our strength is our good will, to put aside differences, and to find our common interests within our diversity. This is the sign of a healthy, robust and sustainable community.

The recent treeplant was but one example of our commitment to build the kind of community we want to live in and care about, and these activities should never be underestimated.



[Photos by Steve Swayne, Serendigity]

WEEDING

Weeding events are planned to keep the Community Tree Plant Site at the Precinct well maintained for optimal growth and to continue the community contribution to the site.

Dates will be publicised on the Barung website.



The Jill Jordan Grove

by Tracy Adams

The Community Tree Plant at the Precinct on the occasion of Barung's 21st birthday included the first stage planting of the Jill Jordan Grove. Jill Jordan, who passed away on 8th January 2010, was a legendary community builder and leader who helped shape the socio-economic landscape of Maleny from the late 1970s. People who knew Jill also knew of her great feeling for and connection with the land. As local Kabi Kabi woman Beverley Hand recently remarked, 'Jill walked bare-foot on the land and listened to what it said.'

On Saturday 23rd October Jill was remembered in a beautiful ceremony by the Obi Obi Creek, conducted by Anna Heriot, and the Jill Jordan Grove was planted by the hundreds of people who had gathered for the occasion. Tears flowed as Noel Gardner performed his moving tribute song to Jill, 'You Are An Angel', and Sweet Chilli choir sang 'Think Peace'. Anna invited us to consider what we were planting anew in our lives, to envisage the rejuvenated forest we were beginning to plant that day, and to imagine the people and community of the future enjoying the Grove and surrounding forest.

The Jill Jordan Grove is permanent memorial to Jill Jordan, and a place for all the community to enjoy. The site will be a place of quiet contemplation, as well as a place for families and groups to gather and picnic by the creek. It is a clearing opening onto the beautiful Obi Obi Creek, circled by rings of trees – little seedlings now that will grow to be a beautiful riparian rainforest. The Grove forms part of the riparian revegetation planned for the stretch of the Obi between the Riverside Shopping Centre in Maleny and Gardner's Falls. Sometime in the next year a memorial boulder and seat will be added to the Grove clearing, and in time a short track will connect the Grove with the main walking track between Maleny town and Gardner's Falls.

The Grove site is part of a developing framework of 'landscape connectivity' across the Blackall Range and into the Mary Valley and coastal areas – areas of protected and restored natural ecosystems and wildlife corridors that support the survival of our native flora and fauna into the future. This mirrors Jill's passion for community-building and for connecting people and projects, and her heartfelt desire for the flourishing of all life.

Regular working bees will be held at the Jill Jordan Grove to maintain and further develop the Grove and adjacent revegetation. Our idea is that these will be fun social occasions – the location by the creek is a beautiful place for a picnic or cuppa. If you'd prefer just to come along for some quiet weeding that's fine too. If you'd like to be a regular or occasional member of a JJ Grove maintenance group, please register with Tracy Adams on wildweaver@ozemail.com.au or 5435 2993.

Sweet Chilli choir sings (left) and Anna Heriot leads the ceremony (right) at the Jill Jordan Grove.

[Photo by Steve Swayne of Serendigity]



DID YOU NOTICE THE EARLIER TREEPLANT?

by Ashley Sewell in consultation with Peter Bell

At the Community Tree Plant, perhaps you noticed that trees had been planted between the fence and the creek some time ago.

A 45 metre buffer strip, some 300 to 400 metres long, was planted out along this section of the Obi by the then Caloundra City Council in the mid 1990s. The riparian strip was fenced and some effort (limited by lack of funding) was put into removing broad- and small-leaved privet in mid 1996. A large mixed planting of 15 000 rainforest and cabinet trees was established between late 1996 and 1999.

I was involved in the species selection and I incorporated a number of species research trials into the plantings with a long term view to having a very selective harvesting program.

Initial growth rates were very good due to having the benefit of effluent runoff, but maintenance was limited because no funding had been allocated for weed control or other maintenance as part of the planting program.

After all these years it would be very interesting to evaluate this earlier planting for tree survival and potential for enhancement planting.

Dear Barung People

What a great Precinct Tree Plant last Saturday! The energy was wonderful and so many people!

On behalf of Manduka, our thanks to all your team for the magnificent organisation and all the work you people put in.

Such a luxury to have all the holes ready-dug and weed mat and water laid on.

Maleny can be proud of your efforts.

Sincerely

Ann Jupp, Secretary

TREES COMING INTO SEED IN SUMMER

SEED ALERT by Diana O'Connor

Spring is now past and we are slipping into summer. A number of rainforest trees that are important to our Nursery will be seeding. If you can help by collecting seed from some of these species, we would appreciate it.

The timing of seed maturation varies somewhat from year to year and will depend on conditions – rain, temperature, insect attack and so on.

White Booyong *Argyrodendron trifoliatum* is a prominent canopy emergent in rainforest on the Blackall Range. It has a brown winged seed about 3—4cm long. It should be shedding very soon. If you find this species keep the seed dry until you deliver it to the nursery, as soon as you can. The seed develops a clear jelly once it is wet and then needs to be planted quickly. Don't soak the seed in water as we do with most species. The seed stays fertile for a relatively short period.

A key revegetation species, **Brush Box** *Lophostemon confertus*, has seed ripening at present. It would be a most welcome donation. Keep the seed dry.

Native Tamarind *Diploglottis australis* develops its orange fruit in coming months. As it is a fast grower, it is a useful revegetation species. So is the **Corduroy Tamarind** *Mischarytera lautereriana* which has a similar seed with a juicy orange aril (that can be used to make jam). Take off the aril and soak the seed in water.

Scentless Rosewood *Synoum glandulosum* seems to have seeded poorly this year, so if you can find some it will be most welcome. Keep the seed moist.

Brown Tamarind *Castanospora alphandii* is due to seed. Wet the seed.

Red Ash *Alphitonia excelsa* can mature any time over the next several months. Its seed needs to age for months before the hard seed-coat weathers enough for germination to occur. You can leave this seed wet or dry.

Blue Quandong *Elaeocarpus grandis* is covered with its large blue fruit at present. These fruit also need to weather for many months before the seed can germinate. The seed can be left on the ground or in a damp bucket for months and will still be fertile.

Peanut Tree *Sterculia quadrifida* seeded at this time last year although maturation seems to be later this year. This seed is best delivered quickly after collection, to maximise fertility.

Guioa Guioa semiglauca shed its seed over Christmas

and New Year in 2009. This is one of our prime species, tough and quite fast growing, so keep an eye out for this. It certainly flowered heavily this year. You can soak this seed in water for delivery. Remove the husk first if you have time.

Lolly bush *Clerodendrum floribundum* is loved by the birds, so it can be hard to get its seed before the King Parrots! Always welcome.

Red Bean *Dysoxylum mollissimum* and **Hairy Rosewood** *Dysoxylum rufum* will also be fruiting. This species produces a hard capsule that opens into three and reveals reddish seeds 4 to 5 mm long.

Lomandras are flowering at present so they will seed later than they did last year.

Yellow Carabeen *Sloanea woollsii* and Maiden's Blush *Sloanea australis* have flowered very well this year and are covered with immature fruit. This will not be ripe until about February or March.

[All photos this page by Diana O'Connor and Eric Anderson]

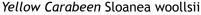


Corduroy Tamarind Mischarytera lautereriana



Red Ash Alphitonia excelsa

Scentless Rosewood Synoum glandulosum





WEATHER PREDICTION... NURSERY STYLE

GEORGE ST NURSERY by Kate Brooks

Now I'm no weather forecaster, but I can confidently say that it is going to 'rain' here every day for quite few years at least. Sounds a bit far fetched, yes? Well, my confidence stems from my faith in the brand new irrigation system that we installed earlier this month! No more nightmares, no more wilting or drowning plants, no more strategic planning just to determine which spots to put which plants in the nursery.

Long story short, the old crop dusting-style irrigation we had here had a habit of over-shooting all the plants in the middle and drowning the ones around the edges. A simple catch-can test proved what we really knew from the beginning: there was no uniformity to the watering system. We tested an area of about 10 m² by setting out 100 cups about 1 m apart in a grid formation. After the test, some cups contained 19 ml while others contained 2 ml; the overall average was 6 ml.

We have replaced the old irrigation system with new lines and MP rotator heads and we have extended our sun hardening area by adding an extra row of sprinklers. We tested out our new irrigation system with another catch-can test and the results were markedly improved. Some cups contained 12 ml while others contained 4.5 ml, with an overall average of 8.8 ml.

So a big 'thank you' to Wayne Webb from the Barung Nursery at Maleny who kept my vollies and the Barung trainees and me at the nursery till 6.30 at night installing irrigation! Just joking, Wayne. © Seriously, thank you so very much—it was worth it and the difference is amazing. Wayne did a fantastic job designing our new layout and over-seeing the whole installation process.

So the new long-range forecast for the George Street Community Nursery is now: 100% coverage, with little chance of anything going wrong and the possibility of me sleeping better at night.



Wayne Webb "walking the line" during the installation of new irrigation at the George St Community Nursery. [Photo by Kate Brooks]



BEV HAND WINS A 'FROGGIE' AWARD

The Sunshine Coast Environment Council's Environment Awards 2010 were held at Lake Kawana Community Centre on 5 November 2010.

Beverly Hand won the category 'Conservation of Biodiversity' for the 'Bunya Dreaming Festival'. This award was sponsored by Noosa & District Landcare.

In accepting the award on Bev's behalf, Bev's daughter Bianca Bond gave a moving and memorable speech acknowledging Bev's and her own passion for the land and the people in it

Bianca Bond accepts the SCEC 'Froggie' on behalf of her mother, winner Beverly Hand, from Phil Moran of Noosa Landcare.

HINTERLAND BUSH LINKS - CONNECTING OUR LANDSCAPE

by Susie Duncan

Barung Landcare has started an exciting new conservation project called Hinterland Bush Links. The aim of the project is to connect the big blocks of bush across the wider landscape of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland.

This region is recognised as a biodiversity hotspot because it is so rich in native plants and animals. But the extinction of two frog species and the decline of many other species highlights the importance of improving the quality and extent of habitat for our local plants and animals. The spectre of climate change adds urgency to this mission as many species will need to move to more suitable habitats as conditions become drier.

When big blocks of bush are surrounded by cleared country, it is difficult for many plants and animals to disperse between these blocks. Wildlife corridors allow animals to move across the landscape with less risk of predators snaffling them. This allows for genetic flow between bush areas. It also enables wildlife to recolonise a bush block after a major environmental impact, such as a wildfire, destroys a lot of animals and their habitat. And in general it creates bigger areas of bush so that a species has a better chance of surviving.

LABYRINTH GARDEN

by Jonathan Waites

Our four Horticultural Apprentices (supported by the Sunshine Coast Native Plants and Jobs Project, funded by DEEWR) have begun building a small (three circuit) labyrinth in the *Co-op Garden* behind Maple St Food Co-op.

A labyrinth is an ancient pattern which, if on the ground, has paths that can be 'walked or travelled upon, often with purposeful contemplation' following its curves and turns. The true labyrinth has no dead ends or false pathways; instead it has a single meandering pathway which leads from the entrance (mouth) to the centre (goal). The unicursal (single path) labyrinth symbol has been traced back 4000 years and the stories describing its uses are as various as the mythologies of the many cultures that have embraced it.

In recent years interest in labyrinths has revived; as a tool for spiritual practice, meditation, healing (physical and psychological) and stress reduction, in places such as hospitals and prisons.

We are constructing our small labyrinth using the walls of garden beds to define the paths. These beds will be planted with herbs and vegetables. The labyrinth will produce healthy food, provide an opportunity for healthy practice and delight the eye!

A volunteer, Daniel, has been working industriously in the garden over the last several weeks, adding two garden beds and planting up one of them.

I am hoping to be in the garden for an hour or two each week on Wednesday mornings (around 8-10) and you are welcome to come down for a chat and/or lend a hand if you're interested.

More information about labyrinths can be found at these websites and in this book, available from the Sunshine Coast Library:

www.labyrinthos.net

www.geomancy.org/#labyrinths/index.php www.labyrinth-enterprises.com

Lonegren, Sig 2001, Labyrinths: ancient myths and modern uses.

Corridors are also good for plants. For example fruit-doves and other birds carry rainforest seed from one bush area to another. Seed-dispersing birds won't always cross cleared land because of the risk of predation and the absence of snacks along the way. So wildlife corridors assist in the dispersal of many plants, even if they are simply stepping stones of habitat between bush blocks.

Linking the Blackall and Conondale ranges is seen as a key step in reconnecting the landscape of the Hinterland. This can be achieved by restoring habitat through the Bellthorpe district and across the narrower stretches of the Mary Valley.

Barung is working with landholders and a range of organisations and agencies such as Land for Wildlife to achieve this restoration. Many people have already been involved in excellent conservation works in the Hinterland. This project will provide a strategic framework for community action in the future.

Hinterland Bush Links will be formally launched in 2011. This will provide an occasion for Barung members and the wider community to learn more about the project, plant out one of the corridors, and celebrate the amazing diversity of our local plants and animals. Watch the *Barung News* and Barung's website for details.

If you would like to discuss the project or become involved in the launch, please contact me on wilderness@hotkey.net.au



A CELEBRATION OF THE MAJESTIC BUNYA TREE

SATURDAY 29 JANUARY

Maleny side of Baroon Pocket Dam

The day generates an understanding of indigenous culture by providing a forum for networking, information sharing and strengthening community partnerships.

Activities include Bunya feasting, bushfoods, bush medicine, dance, competitions, ceremony, fire, yarning, and workshops.

This is an invitation-only event and all Barung Landcare members are invited.

Your \$5.00 donation to Barung Landcare will go towards native tree planting and carbon offsetting of the event. All those who donate will receive a complimentary limited edition Bunya Dreaming 2011 Calendar.

Bookings essential as space is limited.

Please RSVP to Barung Landcare via www.barunglandcare.org.au or 5494 3151 or info@barunglandcare.org.au

WHAT'S IN STOCK AT THE BARUNG RESOURCE CENTRE

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS by Amelia Ross

At the Barung Resource Centre we may just have the perfect Christmas gift for your loved ones or friends – or perhaps even for yourself.

The Resource Centre has had a mini makeover, dedicating a small area to a simple display of our retail stock items. Most of these items are locally produced, such as the Hollow Log homes, Grant Meyer's photos, Den Lalor's art, Montville Coffee, and the Outback Chef items (which are produced in Coolum).

We also offer Gift Vouchers for those loved ones and friends that are particularly difficult to choose presents for. These gift vouchers are personalised to each recipient and can be specific to plants, books and/or the range of products that we offer in the resource centre.

Many people have noticed the handcrafted four-poster queensized bed in the window of the Resource Centre. Richard Knight, local resident and wood worker, has offered this wonderful piece of furniture as first prize in the 2011 Maleny Wood Expo Raffle. Tickets are \$2 and are available. The rest of the prizes are yet to be acquired through donations from local businesses and producers.

You are welcome to contact Richard if you'd like to discover other beautiful items he creates: 0427 669 905 or 5422 9291.

GOOD NEWS AT AGM

PRESIDENT'S REPORT by Eric Anderson

The highlight since the last *Barung News* was the Community Tree Planting on the Maleny Precinct which was organised by Barung, Maleny District Green Hills Fund and the Sunshine Coast Council. It was a highly successful day with up to 450 people participating and some 4200 trees planted. Many thanks to the many volunteers from Barung, Green Hills and the community who made the day happen. A special thanks to Matt Bateman and the contracting team for their fantastic efforts with site preparation prior to the day and their follow-up work afterwards.

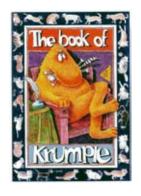
A slightly leaner management committee has resulted from the AGM which was held after the Community Tree Planting. Returning along with me as President are Pat Fuller as Secretary, David Binstead as Treasurer and committee members Glen Donoghoe, Kate Fraser, Diana O'Connor and Lin Fairlie. Lin was invited to rejoin the committee at the first meeting after the AGM. Standing down from the committee were Heather Spring, Peter Stevens and John Muir. Many thanks to all of you – to those staying on and to those who are having a rest after many years of good service.

In one respect we had an unsettled year because of the uncertainty about when we might be able to move our production nursery operations onto a permanent site on the Maleny Precinct. Since my news in the last newsletter there as been no further real progress. However there was some good news for the year as while our cash flow situation during 2009/2010 was extremely tight, we managed a fiscal turnaround from a \$64 039 deficit last year to a \$9 393 surplus this year. Early tasks for the committee will be to produce a Business Plan for the next three years. Also high on our agenda will be to plan a major event to celebrate our twenty-first birthday and produce a publication that details our development and successes over the first 21 years.

Season's greetings to all of our members and to our wonderful volunteers and staff.

New Books

The Book of Krumple by Jim Cox (local artist from Montville) \$15.00 - A children's book about the damage cats can do to wildlife, but told in a special way with beautiful illustrations and with the message to 'keep those cats inside'. Printed on good quality paper and very light, so suitable for posting. (Might be just the thing for little people putting on the pressure for a kitten or puppy for Christmas...)



Outback Chef products

Tea		
Lemon Myrtle Tea	100g tin	\$11.70
Strawberry Gum Tea	100g tin	\$11.70
Cooking Herbs		
Aniseed Myrtle	100g tin	\$11.70
Wattleseed	100g tin	\$11.70
Lemon Myrtle	100g tin	\$11.70
Dried Pepperberries & Grinder		\$11.70

Coffee

Montville Coffee, Woodford blend (ground or whole beans) 500g bags \$11.00

Keep Cups

Environmentally friendly take-away coffee cup \$8.50 With coffee in it \$12.00

You can mix and match lids, bands and tops from a selection of colours to personalise your cup.

Paperweights

Denis Lalor's perspex photographic paperweights of wildlife in the natural environment.

Large rectangular photos	\$45
Smaller square photos	\$25

Gift Cards \$2.50

A selection of lovely small gift cards with Grant Meyer's photos of the local area, fauna and flora, compiled by Annette Lawniczek and complete with Barung branding on the back.

Framed photography

A selection of Grant Meyer's photos of the local environment.

Panorama	\$70
A4	\$40
Barung apparel	
Barung hat (one size fits all)	\$20
Fleecy embroidered jumper	\$40

Wildlife cameras

Garden Watch Cam	\$219
Bird Watch Cam	\$299



WHAT WILDLIFE SHOULD I ATTRACT?

WILDLIFE WANDERINGS by Susie Duncan

I'm often asked this question so I thought the best answer would be to cite the experience of a potential landowner I once encountered.

Rich but dry

We used to live at Chiltern in northern Victoria, a small town surrounded by an amazing box—ironbark forest renowned for its rich bird fauna. A number of threatened species use this forest including the Regent Honeyeater, Swift Parrot, Turquoise Parrot and Barking Owl. Birdwatchers from all over Australia come to Chiltern to see these species and the town has gradually built a small tourism industry around this interest.

Chiltern is in a relatively low rainfall zone with skeletal soils. As a result the eucalypts are slow-growing but they provide a fantastic feast for nectar-feeding birds and mammals during the winter months when there is little nectar available in the south. Remarkably the endangered Swift Parrot flies across Bass Strait from its summer breeding grounds in Tasmania, just to feed on the eucalypts in these box–ironbark forests of northern Victoria and inland New South Wales. The forests are also renowned for their rich understorey flora including a suite of threatened orchids, so they are a magnificent sight in spring.

At one time we met some birdwatchers who were considering buying land at Chiltern. Trust for Nature in Victoria was selling a bush block on the edge of the forest there, and were looking for a buyer who would continue to manage the property for nature conservation.

These birdwatchers seemed keen on the Trust for Nature block but said they decided against it because it really wasn't suitable for developing a wetland. This was an accurate judgment; the gravely soils of the block and the low rainfall were not great starting points for creating a wetland. But in its favour, the block had some of the oldest eucalypts left in the area. These big trees are big nectar and nest-hollow producers so they were providing much better habitat than the adjacent public forest which had been logged over several decades. It also had a diverse flora, and in the grassy areas, the jewel-like Turquoise Parrots would feed on seeding grasses and herbs. It was biologically extremely valuable just as it was. So why a wetland?

Our guess was that the birdwatchers felt it would be good for conservation to have more species i.e. ducks, moorhens, herons etc., which are relatively common and widespread, or they just happened to like these species. They may even have thought that they could attract some of the rarer wetland birds or frogs. These are all fine intentions, but they illustrate how important it is to be clear about what you are aiming to do with your land.

Work with your land

My passion is to see that all the wildlife species and plants that had a home in a particular region prior to European settlement

Keep an eye on the Barung website for upcoming events and new features:

www.barunglandcare.org.au



Long-nosed Bandicoot Perameles nasuta, one example of wildlife you might attract by developing your property appropriately. [Photo by Tony Bright/AWC]

will continue to have a home into the future. This means good conservation management of remaining bush and restoring as much bush as possible, including connections between remnant blocks of bush.

So when we came to Maleny we had to figure out what originally grew on our block before it was a dairy paddock. This meant checking out the soils, the drainage patterns, the aspect and slope, all of which gave us a clue to what was there in the past. We are gradually restoring it so that it provides the rainforest habitat that we believe was lost when it was cleared. This is good for the wildlife species that are returning but it is also the easiest approach for us because the plants are suited to this physical environment and do well. And the birds and fruit bats contribute to this restoration by dropping more rainforest seed from their perches in the established vegetation.

In the wider perspective

In brief, I would recommend putting back what you or someone with an eye for the landscape, such as the Barung Nursery and Contracting staff, perceive to have been there before it was modified in recent times. With lots of people restoring and connecting the range of habitats across this region, all of our wildlife will find a home and a future.

Donations to the

Barung Environmental

Gift Fund

are TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

AN INKCAP FUNGUS

FUNGAL FORAY by Gretchen Evans

After the wettest October on record several people contacted me about the red octopus-like fungi coming up in their mulch. This was one of the stinkhorn family called *Aseroe rubra*. I missed it but apparently these stickhorns were out in full force at the Maleny IGA car park – so much so that people thought the septic had overflowed. Besides the red stinkhorns there have been masses of a white lattice-like cage fungus called *Ileodictyon*, also a stinkhorn fungus although there is nothing horn-like to its appearance.

However I would like to discuss a different fungus which also appeared massed on tree stumps and logs in the rainforest. The books refer to these outbreaks as 'troops'.

This fungus is called *Coprinus* (or *Coprinellus*) *disseminatus* and is one of the inkcap fungi, so-called because the gills quickly go black and liquefy, sometimes within a few hours of their appearance. (*Coprinus* – associated with manure; *disseminatus* – to spread around.)

It is quite a small fungus, up to 3 cm in height, and has a bell-shaped cap with deep grooves somewhat like an umbrella.



It starts off creamy coloured with grey gills but as it ages the gills become black and it produces black spores. This particular inkcap does not liquefy so much as just collapse but it still produces a spectacular display. It has a worldwide distribution and in England is called Trooping Crumble Cap.

BARUNG AT WOODFORD

Drop in to say hello to the Barung Team at the Woodford Folk Festival this year.

Barung will be promoting 'Offset your carbon footprint by buying at tree', distributing Barung information, and selling coffee.

Many thanks in the advance to the 10 volunteers and 3 baristas helping to fundraise for Barung (including Darryl and all his family).

LOST PROPERTY

Sigma Camera Lens Cap – from the Community Tree Plant **Umbrella** – black with pink roses

Hat – been at the Resource Centre for a while, but looks well loved: rough texture canvas, wide brim (shaped like an akubra), thick lining on inside, with decorative plaited leather band.

Please keep showing your ...

BARUNG Community Benefit Tags

... when shopping at Maleny IGA



Above: Coprinus disseminatus. [Photo by Fran Guard]

Left: Ileodictyon cibarium (Lattice or Basket Fungus). This specimen was dug up by Barung Apprentice Luke Symons at the Maleny State School during preparation for the ENERGEX Activity Day in September.

[Photo by Jonathan Waites]

WILDLIFE WALK with SUSIE DUNCAN

Monday 13 December

Booloumba Falls to Booloumba Ck campsite 3

Rainforest and eucalypt forest.

10 km walk on track. Moderate to very steep downhill grades and one creek crossing (wading).

- Please book at Barung on 5494 3151. No fee.
- Park in the public carpark behind Maleny IGA and meet at the Barung Office (next to Australia Post) at 8:45 am to car pool. Expect to return by 5 pm.
- Bring water, lunch, boots, hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, binoculars, and togs if you wish to swim.

Hollow Log Homes

for sale at Barung
Small parrot, Small bat, Glider, Possum

CONFESSIONS OF WEEKEND (LAND FOR WILDLIFE) WARRIORS

by Ian Webster

'It will be easy – only 32 rugged acres, plenty of remnant forest and many acres to reveg!'

Yeah, right. So we bought.

Nobody told us that one brushcutter, two 20 litre water containers, and two mattocks wouldn't be enough to clear lantana, glycine, desmodium and camphor laurel as well as plant and maintain tube stock!

'I know how to make life easier: let's buy a tractor, slasher and spray unit,' I heard myself say.

Yeah, right.

After many near death experiences on the treacherous terrain with said tractor and numerous hours slashing lantana and other ferals I realised that the more we cleared the more planting and maintenance we had to do. Nobody told us that!

With our knuckles dragging on the ground from carrying thousands of water containers we decided to invest in two water pumps and, over time, hundreds of metres of pipe and hose to water our trees.

'We'll be able to work less and easier during our weekends,' I said.

Yeah, right!

Nobody told us that with more and more hoses we could reach more previously inaccessible spots to reveg and maintain!

BARUNG RESOURCE CENTRE

Shop 3, Riverside Centre 5494 3151

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

BARUNG NURSERY

Porters Lane, North Maleny 0429 943 152

TUESDAY to FRIDAY

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

SATURDAY (until Xmas)

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

GEORGE ST COMMUNITY NURSERY

9 George Street, Caloundra 0457 498 544

TUESDAY, THURSDAY

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

'If we had a chainsaw we could get rid of these feral trees and improve the environment,' I thought.

Yeah, right!

Nobody told us that we would need two chainsaws and when you felled a tree you had to cut in up and dispose of it. Oh, yes, you also had to replace the trees – more planting, more maintenance!

This brings us to the three main laws under which weekend warriors operate:

- There is a mathematical formula which states, 'The greater the amount of equipment purchased to make life easier, the greater the effort and time needed to make life easier.'
- Whenever a decision is made to have a day spraying, rain and/or wind will make it impossible. On the rare occasion that the weather is fine, the spray unit will fail to work.
- The neighbour's cattle will only ever break fences after you return to Brisbane to ensure they have five uninterrupted days to create havoc in your reveg projects.

'We must save money – let's propagate our own trees and plants,' we enthused. 'It'll be a cinch!'

Yeah, right!

Nobody told us that Brisbane would have severe water restrictions or that suburban scrub turkeys would wreck our seed trays and demolish our seedlings.

There are, of course, other aspects of being weekend Land for Wildlife warriors – you have to work whether it is raining, cold, windy or hot just to get the work done. Working in the rain, of course, attracts leeches. And nobody told us that leeches would attach themselves to one's eyeball and grow rapidly. And nobody told us about jumping ants and the pain they can deliver (especially to one's nether regions).

Ah! The rewards though! At the end of the day you can stand back and see the work you have done and the difference you have made.

It is good for the soul!

The people you meet, the advice and support from Barung Landcare, Land for Wildlife staff (Sunshine Coast Council), and other landholders experiencing the same highs and lows make it all worthwhile.

Wait a minute. I think I have a new plan that will save us time and money!

Yeah, right.

PRE-CHRISTMAS SATURDAY OPENING

Barung Native Plant Nursery

Porters Lane, Maleny

In the lead up to Christmas the Nursery will be open on Saturday mornings from 8.30 am until noon.

Our plants are looking great after all the rain. We look forward to seeing you.

Barung Landcare Nursery Map

BARUNG'S MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2010/2011



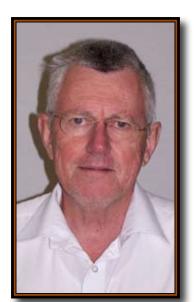
ERIC ANDERSON, President

My training is in Agricultural Science and I spent my paid employment working with landholders in many parts of Queensland in the field of natural resource management. I retired six year ago to the Range with my partner Diana and live on two acres at Flaxton. My first year as President was frustrating as Barung still does not have a permanent home for its Production Nursery. We are 21 this year when I hope we can celebrate our past and, with the continued help of our dedicated staff and enthusiastic members, continue to make valuable contributions to our community.



PAT FULLER, Secretary

I'm very pleased to be able join the Barung Committee again for the coming year, lending my secretarial skills and supporting Barung's sustainable agricultural practices. The Blackall Range Growers Market, of which I am co-ordinator, continues to provide a window for the community through which to access Barung's Nursery businesses and community projects.



DAVID BINSTEAD Treasurer



LIN FAIRLIE

Barung's future looks great if it is as successful as its community tree planting. With the support of the community and our membership and many volunteers, I am sure we will achieve our aim of getting Barung a satisfactory home. The environment of the Blackall Range and its community deserve this.

DIANA O'CONNOR

One of my main joys in retirement is to have more time to be in nature. I find the opportunity to contribute to local environmental health through Barung a real privilege. It is also an opportunity to be part of a very positive group of people working together as volunteers to build knowledge and appreciation of our natural heritage. Our area is a bio-diverse one that needs preservation as population pressure builds. Rainforest restoration on the Blackall Range is an important aim for me. Continuing as a committee member enables me to contribute in a useful way to this, complementing my revegetation work in the Russell Family Park at Montville and my seed collection for Barung Nursery.



KATE FRASER

GLEN DONOHOE

I have accepted a position on the Barung Management Committee again this year. My main task, in association with the Barung Team, will be to develop the strategic plan that will act to guide the organisation's development over the next five years. This follows on from a very successful strategic planning and visioning workshop held earlier this year involving our staff, committee and a professional facilitator. I am excited about the coming year and expect

that a draft plan should be ready within the first quarter of 2011. In the meantime I wish all our members and their families a happy Christmas and successful year ahead.



REGENT BOWERBIRD

RAINFOREST BIRDS by Eric Anderson

The Regent Bowerbird *Sericulus chrysocephalus* is a small, 25–30 cm long, slender bowerbird with a slender and fairly straight bill. It has a moderately long tail that is shorter in males than females and has long sturdy legs. Comparatively, it is slightly smaller and far more slender than the Satin Bowerbird, and similar in size to a figbird but less thickset with a much longer and more slender bill.

The sexes differ greatly as adults. Adult males are jet black with a striking bright orange-yellow cap, hind neck and mantle, which grades into a variable orange-red patch on the upper forehead and crown. Their bill is deep yellow, with an orange tinge in some, and sometimes appears brownish yellow. Their legs and feet are black or blackish brown. Males take approximately six years to become fully adult.

The adult females are much duller and plainer than males. They are mostly dark brown above, paler on the head and neck, and marked with an irregular black crown spot and bold white spots to the upper body. On the underside they are mostly white with strong blackish scalloping, often aligning as barring. The adult female bill is usually black but some have areas of yellow. The juveniles are very similar to adult females.

The Regent Bowerbird is endemic to central eastern Australia. The species occurs mainly in rainforests and contiguous wet forests but is also recorded in a wide variety of other habitats, especially when foraging in winter, including more open habitats such as sclerophyll forests and woodlands and modified habitats such as farmland, orchards and urban parks and gardens. They are omnivorous but primarily frugivorous, taking a wide variety of fruits, supplemented with flowers, nectar, leaves and animal material. Most fruit is swallowed whole but larger fruits such as those of Deciduous Fig *Ficus superba*, Strangler Fig *Ficus watkinsiana* and Red Apple *Syzygium ingens* are eaten in pieces by pecking flesh from the fruit. Adult males are usually shy and retiring unless they are habituated to people when they can become tame in picnic areas and gardens.

Adult males build and decorate terrestrial bowers which, unlike other bowerbirds' bowers, are short-lived. Rudimentary bower



Male Regent Bowerbird.

[Photo by Eric Anderson]

sites and structures that are even shorter lived are used sporadically by one or more immature males. The bowers are well concealed beneath or among low dense vines and foliage. The bowers are usually destroyed by rival males or by the owner if the bower has been discovered by a rival male. The males always decorate the central interior of the bower avenue (Satin Bowerbirds do not) and occasionally also the outside. Decorations include green leaves, pale flowers and petals, black berries, snail shells and feathers. Blue or purple items are also sometimes used.

Breeding occurs from September to February with the peak months being November–December. Nests are usually built in a tangle of vines or in dense foliage near the top of a tree. The nest itself is a shallow, loosely built bowl comprised of a scanty, frail shallow foundation of coarse sticks with a lining of finer twigs and occasionally some leaves. The clutch size is usually two, although occasionally one or three. Incubation is by the female only and usually for 20 days. Parental care is by the female only.

Regent Bowerbirds were formerly killed in large numbers to supply the millinery trade in London or for mounting as decorative novelties. They were popularly kept in captivity in the early 20th century, with a glut of birds being imported into England.

BARUNG AT THE CALOUNDRA MUSIC FESTIVAL

By Amelia Ross

After a year of planning and organisation, the first weekend of October saw Kings Beach transformed into the Caloundra Music Festival (CMF) site. Barung was involved in the event on various levels, having Steve McLeish contracted to Sunshine Coast Council as site manager, operating the coffee stall in the VIP area, and offering the opportunity for festival attendees to sponsor a tree to offset the environmental impact of the event.

The main aspect of CMF that has stayed with me was the constant rain and eventually gale force winds. However, there were numerous highlights, successes and lessons learnt throughout the weekend. The big name acts caught the attention of the media and the event saw determined fans dancing in the rain, gale force winds and limited sun.

After two weeks of twelve hour days spent planning, Steve faced some serious challenges as Site Manager:

 arriving on site on the Saturday morning to find that several marquees had been blown away,

- ensuring that festival goers had some dry space to retreat to,
- making that final call on the Sunday afternoon to shut down several sections of the festival that were just too compromised for the show to go on safely.

The coffee stall was set up in the driest, most protected spot on site (lucky for the precious baristas!). Darryl and his family of constant volunteers set up the coffee area to the side of the VIP bar and lounge. Montville Coffee by Barung Landcare was enjoyed by Bob Abbott, superstars, staff, security and soggy festival goers.

It certainly involved what I call 'coffee making in the elements', with coffee and chocolate sprinkles often ending up everywhere and anywhere but in the cup.

Steve did an incredible job and has been invited back to work in an extended Site Manager role for the event next year.

In the week leading up to the festival, Steve was assisted by Benoit, our Green Army all-rounder, who was an essential link in the long chain of workers that are needed when organising a weekend festival.

NATIVE HYDRANGEA *Abrophyllum ornans*

Family: ROUSSEACEAE

PLANT PROFILE by Wayne Webb

Abrophyllum ornans is an attractive understorey shrub or small tree, eventually growing to a height of 6 to 8 metres, but more often seen at 2 to 3 metres. It may occur in warm–temperate and subtropical rainforests, or often in cool moist gullies bordering rainforests on somewhat poorer soils. Its distribution is from



Native Hydrangea Abrophyllum ornans at Mapleton Falls National Park. [Photo by Wayne Webb]

Milton in New South Wales and north to the McIlwraith Range in north Queensland.

Native Hydrangea makes an attractive shrub for a shaded moist site in the garden. Its large lush foliage gives a pleasing tropical appearance, and it provides a good foil for the finer foliage of ferns, which favour similar conditions. While growth can be sparse in heavy shade, it can be quite dense where it receives better light, such as morning sun on the eastern side of a rainforest garden.

Small (8 mm) cream perfumed flowers are carried in clusters during late spring and early summer. These are followed by purplish-black berries, which hang in clusters for an extended period from autumn to spring. The berries contain numerous small seeds.

The leaves have irregularly toothed margins, usually with teeth confined to the upper half of the leaf. The lateral veins sometimes extend beyond the leaf margin to form a small blunt projection. The leaves are generally large, up to 20 cm in length, and are generally elliptic to obovate in shape, drawn out to a long point at the tip and narrowed towards the base. Texture is somewhat soft and thin, hairless on the top surface and with a sprinkling of fine hairs on the underside, especially along the veins.

Abrophyllum ornans can be propagated by either fresh seed or cuttings. Seed can be obtained by crushing the berries in water and floating off the flesh – the fine seeds should sink to the bottom. Spread seed thinly over seed raising mix, and do not cover further. Seed that is spread too densely will produce over-crowded, spindly seedlings that will be prone to damping off. Combine the seeds with a small amount of dry perlite or sand to soak up excess water and make it easier to spread the seed thinly. Keep the seed tray moist but not too wet, and in a shaded position.

THREE ORNAMENTAL GINGERS NOW BANNED

Three newly declared weed species – yellow, white and kahili ginger – are now illegal to sell or trade in Queensland. Queenslanders are being asked to look out for these ornamental ginger plants and help stop their spread. Under the *Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002* penalties now apply for selling or trading yellow, kahili and white ginger in Oueensland.

Ginger has been around for a long time and is common in backyard gardens, but yellow, white and kahili ginger can suppress or replace native plants and they pose a real threat to our national parks and forests. These ginger plants already cause serious problems in countries such as Hawaii, New Zealand and South Africa and we need to act now before these weeds become widespread in Queensland.

It is important to be able to distinguish yellow, white and kahili ginger from other varieties of ginger plants sold in Australia.

Yellow ginger is not known to be established in the wild and has been declared a Class 1 weed to prevent this from happening. Landowners are now responsible for ensuring their land is free from yellow ginger. Be sure to remove and dispose of it properly – don't dump it in bushland where it can spread. Dig out the entire plant including the roots, place it in a black garbage bag, secure the top and leave it in the sun for two days before placing it in a garbage bin.

White and kahili ginger are Class 3 weeds. This means landholders adjacent to environmentally significant areas (such as national parks) must control these weeds on their property.

What to look for:

Yellow ginger (Hedychium flavescens) - CLASS 1

Fragrant yellow or yellow-white flowers; attractive flower spikes 15 to 20 cm long; grows 1 to 2 m tall.

White ginger (Hedychium coronarium) - CLASS 3

Fragrant white flowers; attractive flower spikes 10 to 20 cm long; grows 1 to 3 m tall.

Kahili ginger (Hedychium gardnerianum) - CLASS 3

Lemon-yellow flowers with red stamens arranged as a spike 12 to 45 cm long; flowers turn into orange-coloured seed pods; pods open to reveal bright red mature seed heads; grows 1 to 2 m tall.

If you see these weeds for sale in Queensland, contact Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.

For more information, visit www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au or call your local council.

Refer also to the Barung News (December 2007 - January 2008, page 10) for the article by John Wightman on these 'rogue gingers.

EXCELLENT TIME TO THINK PLANTING

NURSERY NOTES by Dawn Worthington

With spring in full stride and the additional rain, our stock is looking fantastic. All the tubestock have new growth and are, I am sure, eagerly waiting to settle their roots into the ground on someone's acreage or back yard. Various butterfly species are fluttering about the plants; we have even seen a female Richmond Birdwing Butterfly on several occasions.

The weather has been so kind to us this year. With early rains and very reasonable temperatures it is a great time to plant, especially with the predicted summer rainfall.

Favourites in stock

We have – just in stock – *Backhousia citriodora* Lemon Scented Myrtles in 140 mm pots, always a favourite and so versatile. Also in pots we have 'Blushing Beauty', a stunning 1–1.5 m bushy shrub that catches the eye wherever it is situated and fantastic for hedging or as a feature specimen – be quick as this is a very popular plant. We also have 'Aurora', which is Blushing Beauty's cousin, if you will. 'Aurora' grows to a height of 3 to 4 metres or thereabouts, which makes it an excellent suburban addition. 'Aurora' also has the flush of red in the new growth.

Community Tree Plant

From customers and members who have visited the Nursery, I have heard that an amazing number of plants went into the ground at the Community Tree Plant and that the event was well organised and supported. Unfortunately I wasn't there on the day. I have since been down to both sites and 'a job well done' is all I can say! It just goes to demonstrate the continued community support for the environment.

As one member said, 'Why wouldn't you come, have a fantastic morning, support the community and put some plants in the ground, especially when all the holes were dug for you!' What a way to celebrate 20 years in Landcare!

Saturday morning opening

Ask and you shall receive! Quite a few members have asked that we open on Saturday mornings again, saying that they miss the opportunity to visit on the weekend because they are unable to come during the week. So up until Christmas we a 'trialling' Saturday mornings to see how it goes. (In other words, if you want us to open on Saturday mornings, come see us before Christmas!) Community support is important to our continued success.

Christmas wishes

The nursery will be closed from lunchtime on Christmas Eve, Friday 24th December 2010, and will reopen on Tuesday 4th January 2011. If you want to put plants into the ground over the New Year break, you can visit the Nursery over the next couple of weeks to collect tubestock or call us to arrange an order for you. Just think it of it as a way to offset all that carbon that will be used over the Christmas period!

Wayne and I would like to extend best wishes and Christmas cheer to all of our volunteers and members. I know I do harp on it a bit, but without our volunteer base the Nursery would not be as it is today and for that we are continually thankful for those who contribute directly at the Nursery. We know conditions are not always ideal but it is a pleasure to come to work and be involved with such a dynamic group of people and other vollies who are behind the scenes. Wayne and I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year period.

Alan Bannister with a chair he has renovated and one that's about to get the treatment. The difference is amazing! (I wonder if Fuschia will be wanting them back ...)



[Photo by Dawn Worthington]

THANK YOU TO

- ... **Alan Bannister** for resurrecting our outdoor setting. The chairs were falling apart so Alan has taken them home, pulled them apart, sanded and treated them. Even though the weather has been hampering his efforts, Al arrived last week with a resurrected chair (see photo) what an incredible transformation!
- ... Our Foam Box Kings, **Noel Law** and **Doug Blanch**, for continually stocking the nursery with foam boxes for plant orders. A special mention to Doug who made a number of trips to Maleny Harvest collecting vast numbers of foam boxes as they had excess!
- ... **Doug Blanch** for his ongoing travels up and down the hill to access the pump to fill our tanks.

The Seed Collectioneers! ...

- ... **Diana O'Connor** for Argyrodendron actinophyllum, Syzygium hodgkinsoniae, Melicope elleryana, Pilidiostigma rhytispermum, Synoum glandulosum
- ... **Doug & Ruth Blanch** for Dysoxylum rufum, Flindersia australis, Synoum glandulosum
- ... **Matt Bateman** for Argyrodendron actinophyllum, Wilkiea macrophylla, Psychotria loniceroides, Tabernaemontana pandacaqui, Alchornea ilicifolia
- ... Wayne Webb, Dawn Worthington and Andrew Robertson for Dissilliaria baloghioides, Olea paniculata
- ... **Deanne Grace** for Syzygium hodgkinsoniae
- ... **Bob Taylor** for Syzygium hodgkinsoniae
- ... **Kenneth McClymont** for Olea paniculata, Harpullia pendula, Pouteria queenslandica, Dissilliaria baloghioides
- ... **Persons unknown!** for Callerya megasperma
- \dots Gretchen Evans and Bill Egerton for Synoum glandulosum, Harpullia pendula
- ... **Duncan Gregor** and **Wayne Webb** for Argyrodendron actinophyllum
- ... **Wayne Webb** and **Doug Blanch** for *Pandorea pandorana*, *Dissilliaria baloghioides*, *Olea paniculata*

Without *our seed collectors* Barung wouldn't be able to fulfil a central part of our ethos, which is to propagate plants from local provenance seed so that we can continue to enhance the natural biodiversity of this amazing landscape. So *a huge thank you* to all of you.

WORKSHOPS

Successional Weed Management Workshop

Friday 28th January 2011 10am - 3 pm

A professional development workshop/discussion about the process whereby weeds are outcompeted by an ecosystem that is being restored. Places limited.

Presenter: Spencer Shaw at BTE office @ Reesville Cost: \$66/person—includes morning tea & lunch. To book: 5494 3642 or nursery@brushturkey.com.au

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Communities for Sustainable Futures Conference 2011 (Call for abstracts)

24 - 27 July 2011, Noosa

Noosa Biosphere is the natural location for an international sustainability conference. The conference will bring together over 250 policy-makers and socially and environmentally responsible businesses to discuss sustainability issues such as policy formulation, infrastructure planning, energy and utilities, tourism and biodiversity.

More info: Laura Hancock on 5528 2501 or

conference@noosabiosphere.org.au

www.astmanagement.com.au/csf2011

Registration opens: 31 January 2011 Abstracts Call closes: 28 February 2011 Earlybird Registration: by 14 May 2011

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Queensland Landcare Conference

The final program and some speaker presentations can be downloaded from Landcare Queensland's 2010 Conference webpage:

www.landcare.org.au/CONFERENCE2010.htm

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Conversations about the risks and rewards for Oueensland's economic sectors under climate change. View the presentations from economists, industry leaders and international experts on the risks and rewards for Queensland's economy from climate change and climate policy at www.eianz.org and click through About Us, Divisions and Chapters, South East Queensland, and Past Events.

FACT SHEETS

Erosion control

Following the good seasons experienced across most of Queensland, erosion in grazing lands has been minimised by the excellent cover; however, there has still been a lot of erosion associated with tracks and fences. Information was collated from many sources and developed into information factsheets targeting the issues relevant to the whole of Queensland.

To help address this issue, three erosion control fact sheets are available on the Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) website and cover the topics of erosion control on property roads, tracks and firebreaks: managing runoff; and erosion control along fences and firebreaks. (Search through Land Management, Managing Land, Fact & Info Sheets, Land Fact Sheet Series.)

www.derm.qld.gov.au/services_resources/category.php?class_id=9

Living Greener

Want to learn more about the issues that are impacting our environment? Clean Up Australia Day have free practical and effective solutions to help reduce your waste and conserve the environment in their Living Greener section. Find here over a dozen fact sheets on topics such as plastic bags, composting, worm farming, battery recycling and more.

www.cleanup.org.au/au/LivingGreener/waste.html

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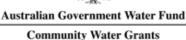




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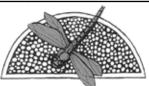
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