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...and our many Volunteers.

Barung Landcare acknowledges the Yinnibarra people who are the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand.

Welcome to the Winter edition of the Barung News

This issue we peer into the future with some plans and ideas around Barung's future home on the Maleny Community Precinct. Our volunteer thankyou barbecue recently gave about fifty people the chance to check out the new block from the vantage point of our neighbours-to-be – thanks, Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club and Maleny Light Horse Museum.

Maleny Wood Expo 2018 was a great success – the Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize showcased pieces of great variety and exceptional quality. Our “woodworking competition with a conscience” is now one of the richest woodworking competitions in Australia. So, now that the sawdust has settled, it's time to look to next year's Expo and how to make it even better. See Steve's report on p9.

And our regular contributors bring you more stories and info on the plants, fungi, birds and other beings/critters/friends with whom we share this spectacular hinterland environment. Keep warm and happy reading!





Birds of the Blackall Range

Eric Anderson

Spotted Dove (*Spilopelia chinensis*)

Spotted Doves were introduced to Australia and exist as feral populations. They are mainly found in eastern and southeastern coastal and sub-coastal urban and agricultural areas from north Queensland to Adelaide. The Spotted Dove's natural range extends from India east to China, South-East Asia, the Philippines, Borneo, the Moluccas and Timor: in its natural habitat it is found in areas of urban dwellings, villages, cultivated paddocks and dry forest. It was first released in Australia in Melbourne in 1870 and introduced to Queensland when 12 pairs were released in the Brisbane Botanical Gardens in 1912.

It is a large dove, 30-33 cm long, with a rather long strongly graduated tail. Adult birds are mostly grey-brown above, paler pinkish-brown below, with diagnostic black half collar, spotted with white. Their eyes are yellowish to orange, the bill grey-brown and legs and feet dull red. The sexes are alike. Their voice is a loud and insistent coo-cu-karoo.

The Spotted Dove is a common and familiar dove found in city and suburban streets, parks and gardens, and country towns where they often fly into windows. The birds are seen singly, in pairs or small groups; they feed mainly on the ground and are often killed by cats. Their main food in Australia is garden plants and weed seeds, bread scraps and animal feeds. They have been considered a pest by horticulturalists and silviculturalists because the birds eat germinating seedlings. They will often feed alongside roads and paths and may show little fear of humans.

Spotted Doves breed throughout the year with most breeding occurring from early September to late December. Both sexes share in nest building. The nest is a platform of twigs, leaves, grass and often pine needles and is usually placed at a height of 2-4 m. The nest site is on the limb of a bush or tree in a wide variety of native or introduced plants. Two glossy white eggs are laid and are incubated by both sexes. Incubation lasts for 14-16 days and fledging occurs at 15 days.





Wildlife Friendly Gardening

Joan Dillon

Winter could be described as 'hungry season' for our birds. There are still adequate supplies of nectar from assorted melaleucas/callistemons, my wonderful grass tree, *Xanthorrhoea fulva*, which is popular with the Dusky Honeyeaters, and the banksias but not a lot else. A Regent Bowerbird and its mate paid a rare visit looking for spiders along the window frames and possibly scale insects on a leptospermum. It was interesting hearing Daryll Jones at the recent Birdlife Australia Mini Congress talking about the need for protein, hence the search for spiders, scale insects and the like. Fruit is in short supply, unless your garden includes orchard trees that attract parrots, turkeys and possums!



The banksias, however, have been hammered by the Yellow Tailed Black Cockatoos. *Banksia robur* is most popular, followed by *B. oblongifolia* and *B. aemula*. Pruning in the beaks of cockatoos is less than satisfactory, so the answer will be tidy-up pruning and plant more banksias in the back paddock. Observation of the feeding habits of the local wildlife can tell us a lot about what we need to plant in order to attract them to our gardens, or elsewhere on our properties. The wildlife is fun to watch even if they do damage some plants. My banksias will just have to be more shrubby and multi-stemmed.

The bees have been busy in a free-flowering bottlebrush and there are still butterflies flitting around, probably sipping from lantana flowers nearby. Weeds are occasionally useful as a temporary measure.

Our seasonal visitors are now here. Grey Fantails, Willie Wagtails, a pair of Fan-tailed Cuckoos and others whose songs I don't recognise are making full use of the garden, water dishes and revegetation. An occasional tiny black and scarlet Mistletoe Bird was seen sipping from a water dish so make sure the garden always has a supply of clean, safe water. All the regular birds come and go between neighbouring properties, hence the need for connections, and what a difference they make.

On the subject of connections, an interesting observation has been the failure of wrens to join other small birds in the shrub and grass field that was designed to attract them. It is likely that they won't move through a wide band of planted forest between our property and that of our neighbour. They are plentiful in his large, open paddock, previously grazed but now devoted to wildlife. However, there is no grassy connection between the properties. Those with more knowledge of bird behaviour may like to comment on that one. There's always more to learn.



Fungi Foray - Chanterelles

Gretchen Evans

Chanterelle, *Cantharellus sp.*, from Latin - Cantharus: a wine cup.

When talking to people about fungi, if I mention “porcini” they recognise the word. This is probably because they use them in cooking to add flavour to ordinary mushrooms and can buy packets of dried ones in the Maleny IGA. But if I say “chanterelle” they look blank. Chanterelles are famous in North America and Europe as edible mushrooms.

In April we were on a foray in the Mapleton Forest and we found some growing beside the track. They are easily seen because of their yellow gold colour. The shape is different from a typical mushroom being a kind of funnel shape and rather than gills there are folds running down the stem.

WARNING: There is a genus called *Gomphus* which is closely related and may easily be confused. Before you cook your specimen check the colour of the spores. *Gomphus* spores are an orange colour whereas *Cantharellus* are white. And *Gomphus* can make you very sick.



Cantharellus sp.

Fun Facts:

- Chanterelles are among the most popularly eaten species of wild mushrooms.
- The Chanterelle has been in sharp decline all over the northern hemisphere due to habitat loss, pollution from farming and industry, and over collecting.
- There are several Chanterelle species in Australia although they do not appear to have been collected for food here.
- They are often brightly coloured with a funnel shaped cap and they have ‘false gills’ which are really folds.

For more information about fungi, local fungi forays and more please visit the Queensland Mycological Society website:
www.qldfungi.org.au



Barung Workshops

50 Shades of Green: Garden Design with Rainforest Species

Noted landscape architect, Lawrie Smith AM, presented this full-day workshop to an enthusiastic group of local gardeners in April of this year. Lawrie's range of knowledge and experience pertaining to the use of rainforest plants in garden settings held participants enthralled to the end of the day. The event was aimed at people interested in developing a plan for their garden (or a section of it) which incorporated rainforest species. Lawrie delivered several presentations over the course of the day covering various aspects of the planning process. These were interspersed with periods in which he provided individual support to people as they incorporated the theory into their evolving garden designs.

A short survey was sent out to a limited number of participants following the workshop and garnered an overwhelmingly positive response. Here are a couple of excerpts from responses to a question inviting comments:

"I was over the moon when I saw this workshop advertised, as to learn from someone of Lawrie Smith's calibre at an affordable price was such a fantastic opportunity. For some time, I have been trying to nail down my landscape design processes, and the easy to follow structure given as homework, supplied straight after confirming my booking, cemented this."

"I really enjoyed the course, he was a great presenter. We needed some informative plant 'hand outs', categorised, so we could go to Barung nursery and buy them!"

We (and Lawrie!) would be interested in running this workshop again (perhaps next year) if there was sufficient interest. If you would like your name recorded as a potential participant to be contacted if/when it happens, please contact the Barung office (5494 3151) or email me (jonathan@barunglandcare.org.au) with your details.



This workshop was part of a series in the "Getting to know our place" project which was supported by the Burnett Mary Regional Group, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.



Burnett Mary
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Practical Solutions for Natural Resource Management

Rainforest restoration and weed management: A Field Trip

This workshop is to be held soon and will wind up the "Blackall Range Rainforest Recovery" project, a project supported by Healthy Land and Water, through funding from the Australian Government.

The workshop will include visits to two properties which have been the focus of extensive weed control and revegetation efforts combined with a walk and talk on-site discussing the 'How', 'What' and 'When' approach to the project work.

An email will be sent out when the date is set, numbers will be limited – pay attention!





Barung Workshops

Treeplant at Mapleton State School

At the beginning of May, just before the Maleny Wood Expo, we squeezed in a treeplant at Mapleton State School. This planting of 360 trees connected an existing planting fringing a ponded area on Baxter's Creek, which drains the Lilyponds Lagoon, to another planting of natives which runs along the western end of the oval and joins with a bush food forest that had been established four years ago.

As well as creating a vegetation linkage which in time will enhance fauna movement, the day was a great opportunity to engage with a lovely and enthusiastic bunch of young people and to work together with them outside in a natural setting.

The roughly 200 students arrived throughout the day in five groups, each group comprising of a younger class which had been buddied up with an older class, each supporting the other in their tree planting endeavours.

Each group had the opportunity before getting to work to discuss why revegetation was generally a good idea and acknowledge some of the potential benefits it would afford their site in particular. Trees were then planted, watered, guards and mulch mats applied – all done conscientiously and with great enthusiasm. I have since heard that students have carried out the first maintenance run on the site already – on World Environment Day!

There are a number of people to whom thanks are due: Naomi who initially contacted Barung for some species advice about what to plant in the area; Doug who volunteers time providing environmental activities for students at the school and helped organise the day; the BNAS team who prepped the area and dug the holes before planting; our Skilling Queenslanders for Work team who supported and guided participants on the day with understanding and gentleness; school staff who made time in their busy schedules for students to take part and a big thank you to the students for their hard work and willingness to get 'stuck in'.

In appreciation, the Mapleton State School sent the following:

"Our school would like to thank you and your team for organising the tree planting day we had on 01 May. The day ran very smoothly and the students enjoyed working with you and your team. It is a great reminder of the day when we look down the hill to see all the red sleeves encasing the plants that were planted."



This event was part of the "Getting to know our place" project which was supported by the Burnett Mary Regional Group, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.



Date Claimer

More about fungi

The Kingdom of Fungi as a subject for research and as organisms for consumption (corn smut ice-cream, kids!) is an ever expanding one. We will have the pleasure of Dr Sandra Tuszynska, an Environmental Mycologist with a passion for all things fungal, present a workshop for us early in August. Further details will be sent out very soon via email to members.

Be alert, this workshop is sure to bookout!



Earthstar in Maleny

Thanks to Jonathan Waites who organises Barung's Workshop program.

For full details of upcoming workshops go to barunglandcare.org.au



Pen Recycling is in!

Barung's Coral Street office is now hosting a TerraCycle Zero Waste box for recycling pens, mechanical pencils, markers and caps.

The collected waste is mechanically and/or manually separated into metals, fibers, and plastics. Metals are smelted so they may be recycled. The plastics undergo extrusion and pelletization to be molded into new recycled plastic products.

Feel free to drop off your dead pens and the like at the Maleny Office - 38a Coral Street and we'll work towards a Zero Waste future together, one pen at a time!



Thanks...

Barung would like to extend a huge thank you to the following people for collecting seed and bringing it in for the nursery over the last several months:

- Mandy Wilson for collecting Deep Yellowwood (*Rhodospaera rhodanthema*) seed
- Petrus Helyligers for collecting Swamp Lilly (*Crinum pedunculatum*) seed and Brush Cherry (*Syzygium australe*)
- Bill Richter for collecting Peanut Tree (*Sterculia quadrifida*), Burdekin Plum (*Pleiogynium timorense*), Zig Zag Vine (*Melodorum leichhardtii*), Lignum-vitae/Satinwood (*Vitex lignum-vitae*) seed collected from his property at Curramore.

And thanks to Rowena Cavanagh for donating a quantity of surfactant, which the Natural Area Services team will put to good use.



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Maleny Wood Expo

Steve Mcleish

The 2018 Maleny Wood Expo saw over 10,000 visitors flock to the Showgrounds during the weekend, keeping the army of Barung volunteers on their toes. Survey results once again awarded our volunteers the highest accolades for their friendly attitude and helpfulness to our visitors. To my great relief a sunny day on Saturday saw the cars rolled in. A huge thank you to Chris Brooker and the Rotary crew for parking the constant stream of vehicles. What a huge job!!

I am increasingly impressed and humbled by the skill and creativity of our local wood artisans with their diverse offerings of wood craftsmanship in all its forms.



The Barung Nursery Tent looked magnificent. All nursery staff and volunteers are to be congratulated on the quality and variety of species available. Our ethics and sustainability focus were clearly on show for all to see. Many thanks to the BBQ crew for their incredible operational success at the Barung BBQ. The food and service were great. It was by far the most popular eatery on site.

The Maleny Music Stage drew crowds. With its generous pallet seating and table area, (built by Chris and Anne-Marie of Party Pallets) this was the place to sit back and take it all in. There has been much feedback about the quality of our Maleny musicians which makes me well with pride.

The Junior Landcare Paddock (children's activities) was again a big success and is now an integral aspect of the growth of the Expo in inspiring the young folk. Part of the feedback was requesting more hands on opportunities for the older folk. This will be a focus for next year.

Enormous thanks must go out to the Maleny community for its support. Thank you to all the volunteers who take such pride in the Expo; to all the local businesses who generously donate their goods and services to the raffle and the opening night and many thanks to all our sponsors and supporters.



The Maleny Wood Expo's Official Destination Partner





Tierna, pictured here on the left, is the lucky winner of the **Maleny Wood Expo 2018 Lucky Door Prize**: a beautiful camphor blanket box created and donated by the Blackall Range Woodies.



**MALENY
WOOD
EXPO** 
*from seed to
fine furniture*

2018 Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize

a woodworking competition with a conscience

For the last eleven years Barung Landcare has hosted the Wootha Prize (named after the local aboriginal name for Australian red cedar) to promote the creative use of sustainable timbers.

With the increase of prize money, thanks to the generosity of the Sunshine Coast Council, a record number of thirty-seven applications were received with twenty-five chosen for exhibition.

The judges worked slowly through each entry, discussing the level of craftsmanship, the choice of timber and its suitability to the design, how well it had been executed and its resonance and interpretation of the theme: 'joined'.



The winner, Robert Howard for "Until Death Us Do Part" wrote the follow to accompany his piece:

"Marriage, and the families it creates, are considered by many to be the bedrock of western civilisation. Its form has varied across cultures, and is still evolving, but it remains the most fundamental way in which (usually) two people join together to pursue a common purpose. A common symbol of this union is the wedding ring, with one ring, or often two rings, being exchanged during the ceremony. "Till Death Us Do Part" represents the hope and determination people start out with in their marriage, joined as a family for the rest of their lives."

Second prize went to "Time and Tide" by Terry Martin and Zina Burloiu, Third prize to Ross Williamson "Couloir" and the Encouragement Award to Ross Annels for "Walking Table".

Robert Howard "Until Death Us Do Part"



Terry Martin & Zina Burloiu "Time and Tide"



Ross Williamson "Couloir"



Ross Annels "Walking Table"



Shane Christensen "Reflections"

This year the public were able cast a vote either online or on paper for the People's Choice Award, awarding the prize to Shane Christensen's piece "Reflections".

Congratulations to all the artists who entered the 2018 Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize, we look forward to an even bigger prize pool and more fantastic entries in 2019.



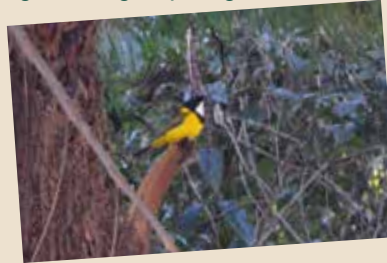
Robert Howard accepts 1st prize from Cr Jenny McKay



Ramble to Baroon Pocket Lookout

The Rambles on the Range group took a ramble to Baroon Pocket Lookout in May. The walk was well attended on a beautiful day and some experts, Eric and Diana and Gretchen, made it all the more enjoyable and improved our knowledge especially by studying the bark of different trees.

We can now tell the difference between a blackbutt, a tallowwood and a terpentine by their trunks. We sighted many different birds, the highlight being a peregrine falcon sighted by Fi!



A pretty little golden whistler said hello also. The walk concluded with morning tea at Lake Baroon.



Photos by Halina Green



THE ONLY GOOD LEAF IS A CHEWED LEAF!

"The only good leaf is a chewed leaf" according to the 'butterfly lady', Helen Schwencke, author of 'Create More Butterflies'.

The Rambles on the Range group visited the Woodford Festival Site (Woodfordia) in April to check out Helen's Woodfordia Butterfly project on the site. She has butterfly host plants in several locations, including around most toilet blocks, with signs to signify which plants are planted there and the butterflies which will be attracted by them. It is a huge undertaking which Helen embraces enthusiastically. It was interesting to see plants which we would have removed as weeds, although mostly natives or otherwise not invasive, being important host plants.

The importance of insects and other invertebrates cannot be overstated. They are the basis of the food chain. We spend a lot of time 'saving' the higher order animals such as elephants and whales, which of course are more than worthy of being saved, but then we get out the spray can and kill insects upon which most other animals depend. A chewed leaf is GOOD! It shows that caterpillars are there feeding up before pupating and transforming into butterflies. Invertebrates are a source of protein for birds and a plethora of other small animals. Poison just moves up the food chain to us.

All vertebrates, including humans comprise around 1-2% of the species in the animal kingdom, whereas invertebrates (animals without backbones) comprise 98-99% of the animal kingdom, 85% of those being insects.

Invertebrates perform essential roles in keeping our planet's environment healthy and well. (Perhaps the role of ticks and mosquitoes could be to put humans in their place!)

Helen is happy for anyone interested in developing and maintaining butterfly and other invertebrates community projects to join her on the last Sunday of every month at Woodford - early!



Visit <http://woodfordia.org/apply/join-the-butterfly-group/> and add your contact details to the monthly reminder email list.

Please check out Helen's website: Earthling Enterprises
www.earthling.com.au

Photos by Halina Green



Barung Nurseries

Cam Burton - Nurseries Manager

The major event for the Barung nurseries over the past few months is of course, the Maleny Wood Expo. The three days of the Expo provide the opportunity for the nursery to showcase the range of plants we have on offer and throughout the event there was a constant flow of comments from attendees as to how impressive the exhibit looked. Adding great interest to the Barung tent was also Fran's fungi showcase and the informative Land for Wildlife display. A tremendous amount of hard work goes into the preparation and running of the event, so a big thanks to the volunteers and trainees who propagated and cared for stock in the lead up, who helped set up and pull down the display and who provided such informative and friendly advice and service to the show goers.

Another event attended by Barung nurseries recently was World Environment Day which was held under sunny skies at Maroochydore alongside the river. For me it was a thoroughly enjoyable day spending some relaxing time with the volunteer crew and chatting with likeminded attendees. Both Barung and Hinterland Bushlinks presence provided support and colour to the Sunshine Coast Environment Council event.



World Environment Day

In the previous newsletter we mentioned the collection and sowing seed of a few trees, in particular *Cinnamomum oliveri*, Oliver's Sassafras and *Flindersia schottiana*, Bumpy Ash. Both species have grown on well and the flush of crimson new growth on the Sassafras is looking beautiful at Porters Lane nursery. As the days have shortened and the grass has at last slowed down, the mowing crew led by Bruce and the trainees have the nursery looking in great shape.



Maleny Wood Expo Nursery Tent

A few plants to keep an eye out for which have germinated well recently are *Stenocarpus sinuatus*, Firewheel, *Syzygium oleosum*, Blue Lilly Pilly and *Alphitonia petriei*, Red Ash. With the Alphitonia, Sue and Wayne have had some success putting the seed in a blender to nick the seed coat to aid germination. The Red Ash is a fast growing, medium sized rainforest tree. It has a spreading canopy with horizontal branches and makes a wonderful shade tree.

With a big couple of events behind us we now brace ourselves for the Queensland Garden Show, Nambour in July and the lazy August winds.



Cinnamomum oliveri, Oliver's Sassafras



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Skilling Queenslanders for Work on the Range

Danielle Steele

Barung's second round of Skilling Queenslanders for Work are in full swing; wielding picks, brushcutters and native tubestock in a variety of bush regeneration projects throughout the Blackall Range.



The ten participants have already completed their First Aid certificates along with a Commercial Operator's Licence for Ground Distribution of Herbicides (ACDC) and Working Safely in the Construction Industry (White Card), all of which will assist them re-entering the workforce.



The twenty-two week program through Barung Landcare offers individual training and support plans, experience in both large-scale and retail nursery operations, long-term site rehabilitation works, along with hands-on experience within a wide variety of conservation projects.

This training is proudly funded and supported by the Queensland Government through its **Skilling Queenslanders for Work** initiative.

Barung proudly saw all ten Round One participants successfully gain employment following the previous program, and wishes all the best for the current round of trainees.



Barung's New Bus



Roll up for the mystery tour! If you're joining Barung on quality bush regeneration projects across the Blackall Range that is.

Barung has purchased a 12 seater mini-van, which will be put to great use in traineeship programs, contracting work, shuttling volunteers and a wide variety of other projects and opportunities.

Barung would like to extend a big thank you to the **Maple Street Coop** for sponsoring the van, sure to be located at a conservation site near you!



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www.maplestreetco-op.com



Landholders' Guide to Living on the Blackall Range

Whether you're living, or just simply interested in the Blackall Range and environs, the Landholders' Guide is an essential and invaluable read.

The full-colour publication shares the collective knowledge of locals, covering topics such as: landscape, climate, fire, fungi, fauna, weeds, water, forestry and gardens.

Pick up your copy from the Barung Resource Centre at 38a Coral St, Maleny, or from Barung's online shop:

<http://www.barunglandcare.org.au/e-shop>



You can also purchase a range of books and Barung Nursery plants at the **Monville Markets**, 2nd Saturday of each Month.
Thanks Raine!



New Barung Members

Brooklyn Coyle
Ian Duncan
Darren Emerick
Michael Forde
Margery Forde
Dave Gilchrist
Val Gilchrist

Bruce Harding
Peter Harney
Sophie Hickey
Ryan Hollis
Kym Jervois
Penny Johnston
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Sam Price
Charice Price
Lyn Roubos

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Mark Stevens
Tim Thompson
Charice Yap

Volunteers – thankyou!

Barung recently hosted a BBQ lunch to say thankyou to our wonderful vollies.

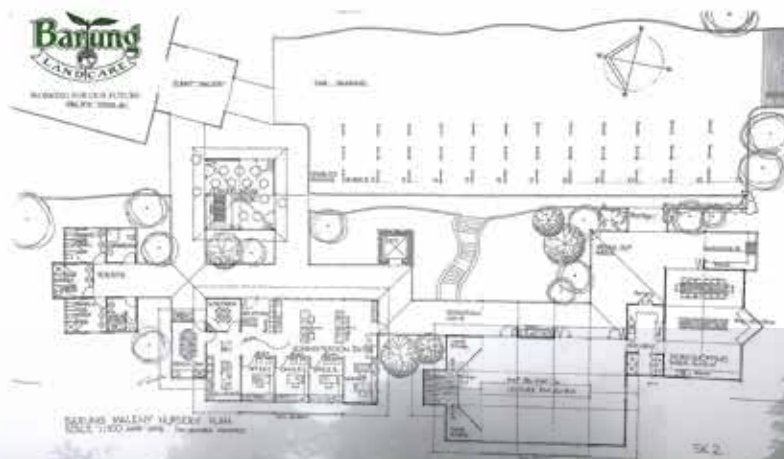
No-one minded too much when the skies opened (inevitably – we had said the BBQ word a few times!) as the event was held in the spacious clubhouse of the Maleny District Sport and Recreation Club on the Maleny Community Precinct.

Barung President Ian McMaster and Treasurer Alan Harrington gave a brief report on the success of this year's Expo and voiced what we all know - volunteers make Barung Landcare and Maleny Wood Expo happen.

Many vollies shared positive feedback from Expo visitors and exhibitors. "This is the best wood show in Australia" came up more than once! We all have something to be proud of.



The choice of the MDSR clubhouse as the BBQ venue also gave everyone a chance to check out Barung's future home on the **Maleny Community Precinct** – right across the road on Parklands Drive.



Proposed Barung Landcare Site n the Maleny Community Precinct

Barung Natural Area Services



As usual, it's been a busy and productive time for Natural Area Services, with work throughout the Sunshine Coast and Moreton Bay regions.

BNAS has undertaken revegetation, restoration and weed control projects from the Mary River to Samford Valley.



Samford Valley 29th May



Kenilworth Mary River Revegetation 29th June



Tanawha 30th May



North Maleny 31st May

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Subtropical Forests Ecology Course

There are still a few places left on this course, to be held by Hinterland Bush Links over two weekends in September this year. The course offers an extraordinary opportunity to learn from local experts in a diverse range of fields. It's a really enjoyable and rewarding program – don't miss out!

Register online at www.barunglandcare.org.au/events or contact Susie Duncan wilderness@hotkey.net.au



1 - 2 Sept and 15 - 16 Sept 2018

Subtropical Forests Ecology Course

Join us to explore the fascinating relationships between rocks, soil, plants, animals and fungi in the diverse rainforests and eucalypt forests of the Subtropics.

We have a great line-up of expert instructors including Spencer Shaw, Matt Bateman, Fergus Fitzgerald, Steve Burgess, Michelle Gleeson, Susie Duncan, Barry Traill, Fran Guard and Ian Mackay.

This non-residential course in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland will run over two weekends: the first weekend will give you a strong foundation in regional ecology, and the second will build on this to enable you to optimise conservation outcomes in your own bush restoration projects.

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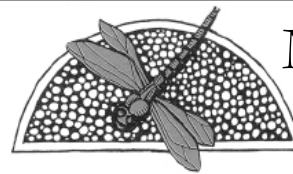
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