



News Update

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND COASTCARE UPDATE

Join us in the wetlands Saturday 2 July 2016 2.30-4.30 pm

Help provide some TLC for our Ramsar-listed Melaleuca Wetlands this weekend. We'll be weeding, picking-up litter and undertaking some planting on the dunes. Sign-on will be where the Coastcare flags fly at the southern (James Street) entrance.

Refreshments will be provided afterwards & new volunteers are always welcome. Please wear closed shoes, comfortable clothes, hat and sunscreen & BYO water. Further details - phone Graeme on 0413352511 or Heather on 0433667315

Wildlife survey of the Melaleuca Wetlands Wednesday 13 July

- **Saturday 16 July** Volunteers are welcome to join the crew during three days of trapping and monitoring led by zoologist, Dr Ronda Green. This is the third in a series of four seasonal surveys to determine "What's living in the Melaleuca Wetlands" funded by a conservation grant from Redland City Council. Please contact Vivienne on 0411226363 gvrthomson@gmail.com for further detail.

Flinders Day Markets Sunday 17 July Whether you're dropping by for a chat or renewing membership we'd love to see you.

Quandamooka Festival - Care 4 Country Sunday 11 September

Excitement mounts over the Quandamooka Festival youth event, **Care 4 Country** planned for Coochiemudlo Island on Sunday 11 September. More than 110 participants from throughout Brisbane have already registered at the invitation-only celebration organised by Tangalooma EcoMarines <http://www.tangaloomaecomarines.com.au/info/about/> with Coastcare support.

Thanks to the generosity of Carolyn Brammer and Lindsay Duncan, a day of environmental and cultural heritage activities will be staged in the native gardens of "Mudlo"

There will be a Welcome to Country, Quandamooka storytelling ; guided walks through the mangroves and dune planting as well as a collaborative piece of

artwork commemorating the day under expert guidance of Quandamooka artist, Sonya Carmichael.

It's hoped the day will finish with a smoking ceremony opened to the island public after 3pm.

Coastcare will be calling for expressions of interest from local children on Flinders Day. Places are limited and forms will be available at the Coastcare stall at the markets, however if you have immediate queries please don't hesitate to call either Heather Smith on 0433667315 or Lois Toop on 0408180630
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