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22 November 2019

Our last Dunecare working bee of the year on **Saturday 7 December** co-incides with National Coastcare Week. It's a time to celebrate not just the achievements of our volunteers on Coochiemudlo Island, but also recognise the work of thousands of like-minded souls around Australia.

Here's a link to some inspirational stories:

https://mailchi.mp/landcareaustralia/coastcarer-nov2019?e=7b1a02087b

As the festive season draws close, Coastcare's Christmas party on Sunday 1 December is a wonderful opportunity to kick back and enjoy the companionship of island supporters. Tickets will be available where the Coastcare flag flies at the kiosk this weekend from 8am -11 am Saturday and 10am-1pm Sunday.

Thanks to all those generous island artisans who have contributed to our annual raffle. The 'Coochie Naturally' basket is filled with so many local delights and tickets are available at the kiosk and markets. The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas party

Reminder - Xmas Party Sunday 1 Dec 2019. RSVP by 27 November

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Christmas Party

ORNER VICTORIA PARADE & ELIZABETH STREET

SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 4:00PM TO 8:00PM



music ~ dancing ~ great food ~ raffle

\$25 ADULTS ~ \$5 FOR CHILDREN ~ JUNIOR RANGERS FREE
BYO DRINKS & DRINKING GLASSES

family and friends are all welcome

RSVP by 27 November for catering purposes

Contact Graeme Roberts-Thomson graemert@gmail.com (0413 352 511)

Direct Deposit: Coochiemudlo Island Coastcare Inc

Commonwealth Bank BSB 064 149 Acct 10096929 - Reference: PARTY-SURNAME

Tickets also available at the Markets, Sunday 1 December



WHEN: 2.30 - 4.30pm Saturday 7 December

WHERE: The flags fly at the southern entrance of the Melaleuca Wetlands, cnr James Street & Norfolk track. Volunteers are reminded to wear hat, covered shoes, comfortable clothes, sunscreen and insect repellent. A cuppa follows.

New members, especially families are always welcomed. Annual membership which includes insurance is \$2 for singles and \$5 for families.

QUERIES: please phone Graeme 0413 352 511 or Dave 0438875257 http://coochiemudloislandcoastcare.org.au/

News round-up

Coastcare has been awarded a Conservation grant from Redland City Council to develop a publication to create greater awareness of the rights and responsibilities of living in such a unique environment, surrounded by Marine Park and Ramsar wetlands.

The guide for residents, *Living on the Edge*, will be developed in liaison with Council, state government and other stakeholders, with the aim to preserve foreshore values and ensure the needs of both marine and terrestrial wildlife are better understood and nurtured.

It will offer information on a range of topics from bush-stone curlews and shorebirds, sustainable fishing and crabbing, the importance of wildlife linkages and healthy bush beaches.

A working party has been established to oversee development over the next year of an eight-page information booklet which will be available in hard copy and online for both residents and visitors.

It's hoped Living on the Edge will create better understanding of the reasoning behind local laws relating to compliance issues like beach fires, camping, vegetation clearance and animal management.

Work continues on the Shoreline Erosion Management Plan and although it was expected to have been finalised months ago, additional studies should prove beneficial. A community reference group has been meeting for two years now to feed information to consultants BMT.

We're currently awaiting another beach scarp survey of the island. The last was undertaken 12 moths ago. Further information is available on the following website, in particular under document library.

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