



3 June 2025

Celebrate World Environment Day on Saturday at the "Trees Graveyard" beach



Join us for a working bee on this fragile corner of the island between **2 - 4pm Saturday 7 June** where the Coastcare flags fly at the corner of Victoria Parade's North and East. It's one of our most popular work sites with wide vistas over the Bay and abundant birdlife. Along with our partners from Conservation Volunteers Australia, we'll be targeting foreshore weeds, in particular Mothers-of-Million before they bloom and Corky Passion vine before they seed.

Newcomers, especially families are always welcome. Participants are reminded to wear long pants, covered shoes, hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and BYO water.

All equipment will be provided but if you have a special tool or favourite gloves please feel free to bring along.

Afterwards, we'll enjoy a chat over a cuppa. Look forward to seeing you!

Please call Bryan on 0487054127 or Graeme on 0413352511 with any query.

Annual General Meeting to be held Friday 20 June at 6pm

Coastcare's 12th Annual General Meeting will be held at the Recreation Club, Laurie Burns Reserve, Elizabeth Street on Friday 20 June at 6pm.

We welcome participation of members, especially newcomers, who would like to be more actively involved in the environmental management of the island especially our conservation foreshores and wetland workzones.

At the meeting, all positions will be declared vacant with nominations invited for the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and four committee

The [Agenda](#) is available for download as well as [Nomination Form](#) for office-bearing positions which should be received by 5pm Friday 6 June via scanned email to coochiecoastcare@gmail.com or delivered to Secretary, Jane Caldwell C/- 94 Victoria Parade East, Coochiemudlo Island.

For those unable to attend a [proxy form](#) is attached.

After formalities, we'll welcome guest speaker Paul Donatiu who manages the Queensland Threatened Plant Network, a joint initiative of the Australian Network for Plant Conservation and the Queensland Threatened Species Program.

We look forward to his presentation, "*Current and emerging issues in plant conservation.*"

Paul has a study background in architecture, psychology and environmental management, and has practised community development and community education. He has worked for WWF, Greening Australia, Queensland National Parks Association, Griffith University and Healthy Land and Water. Apart from species recovery, Paul's fields of interest include ecological restoration, fire ecology, landscape ecology, and the management and preservation of cultural landscapes.

Paul has also completed a Churchill Fellowship that examined how five national agencies in Europe, USA and South Africa were dealing with climate impacts on their protected areas.

Damage toll from Tropical Cyclone Alfred continues to mount

Three months after the event, Coochiemudlo Island is still reeling from the effects of TC Alfred and sadly there's no firm indication of a restoration timeline.

Our heritage-listed foreshores, stripped of sand and undermined by storm-water erosion stand as stark reminder of a disaster that caused extensive damage to natural and built infrastructure.



Countless casuarinas cling to the battered shoreline with roots totally exposed and it's only a matter of time before they succumb to high tides on beaches denuded of sand. Recovery efforts to date have focussed on tree and vegetation removal while several of the major access paths have been cordoned off, their fate resting on anticipated disaster funding.



We're grateful for the attention of Council officers in the early weeks and last month's visit by Cr Hewlett, Group Managers, Sherry Clarke and Brad Salton along with engineers, planners and ecologists. The guidelines for recovery are spelt-out in the island's 2020 Shoreline Erosion Management Plan with emphasis that sand replenishment needs to be undertaken within three months to reduce the high risk of damage from a repeat erosion event.

Coastcare has been advised that beach nourishment will be undertaken to Norfolk and Main Beaches while sand will be re-instated around eroded trees in multiple locations. Access tracks and storm-water overland flow rectification is also planned for numerous locations on Main, Outriggers and Norfolk Beach.



Survey work completed in readiness for the Enviro Hub build



Last month surveyors pegged out Coastcare's building site in the Laurie Burns Reserve facing Elizabeth Street after plans were approved. The next milestone will see construction of a new concrete slab over the original base of the old fire station-cum- gym.

The management committee is excited to announce the transition from a Licence to Occupy to Lease agreement with Redland City Council and looks forward to ongoing collaboration with officers to maintain vegetation safety on the 340sq metre site. Plans will be on display at the AGM and Flinders Day markets.



"With funding support from the Gambling
Community Benefit Fund".



Redland City Council is proud to provide funding
for the **"Construction of Coochiemudlo Island
Coastcare's Environmental Hub"** as part of the

Community Infrastructure grant program to assist
the Redlands community.

Date Claimer - Glenn Leiper 19 July 2025

Glenn Leiper, author of the highly-acclaimed field guide to the native plants of south-east Queensland, "Mangroves to Mountains" will run a workshop on Coochiemudlo Island on Saturday 19 July from 2pm. The workshop sponsored by Conservation Volunteers Australia will follow the Flinders Day re-enactment and markets. Meet where the Coastcare flags fly near the southern entrance of the Melaleuca Wetlands, James Street.

Numbers will be limited so please lodge your expression of interest with Jane at

coochiecoastcare@gmail.com

Save the Date

Dunecare - Saturday 7 June 2-4pm
AGM Friday 20th June 6 pm at Rec Club
Dunecare Saturday 5 July 2025
Glenn Leiper - Saturday 19 July 2025



2025 memberships

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- Life Membership Family \$100

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