

Friends of Bass Straits Islands (FoBSI) is part of Wildcare Tasmania.

We are a volunteer group that has been working primarily on boxthorn control in the Furneaux Islands at the eastern end of Bass Strait since 2002.

We are currently planning our 2015 working bees and looking for volunteers for this year's program.

This year there will be **three** working bees:

1. [Wybalenna-Settlement Point on Flinders Island April 10th -19th](#)
2. [Goose Island April 27th – May 10th](#)
3. [Roydon Island - May 16th -31st](#)

You need to be reasonably fit, happy to work hard, to rough it, and be prepared to work up-close-&-personal with a particularly thorny invasive plant. If you're not a current Wildcare member, please (re)join (and tick the FOBSI box if signing up on-line) @ service@wildcaretas.org.au

Participants will need to provide their own:

- * light-weight tent and bedding (sleeping mat, sleeping bag, pillow)
- * sturdy work clothes with long sleeves & legs
- * hat & wet-weather gear (& gaiters are good if you have them)
- * work boots with strong soles – steel toe cap for those using chainsaws
- * daypack with water bottle

Current **chainsaw**, **chemcert** and/or **first aid** certificates are useful. We have some capacity to assist with the costs of obtaining relevant accreditation.

If you're interested in participating in a working bee, please send an email to friendsbassislands@gmail.com expressing your interest and indicating availability. The relevant trip leader will get in touch to discuss your potential involvement and send you the requisite PWS Tasmania Volunteer Application and Medical Disclosure forms.

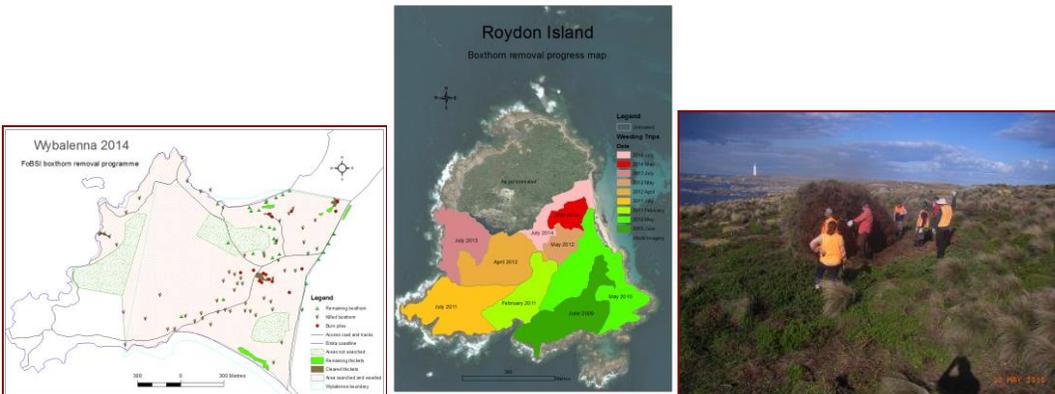


Travel cost ex-Launceston/Melbourne to Flinders & return, as well as boat transfer to the outer isles is covered (though **excess** baggage charges on the flights will be the responsibility of the individual passenger/s).

We provide all food and cooking/eating gear, as well as providing tools, 1st aid kit and PPE: safety glasses / vests / chaps / chainsaw helmets / gloves / earplugs...



The very real pleasure lies in spending time in beautiful wild parts of the world, working with great groups of people, and contributing to the effort to keep conservation areas and culturally significant parts of these islands accessible to human visitors and the wildlife, including nesting birds, for whom it's home.



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