

# WILDCARE: FRIENDS OF LUMEAH POINT



## Newsletter November 2014

### Feral Oyster Removal

#### 3.00p.m. Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

As we flagged in the June newsletter there is a raft of prime times for continuing the feral oyster removal program.

The first of these is 3.00p.m. – 6.00p.m. Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. The activity will be restricted to the foreshore and continue from the last point reached. Mike Webb of the Pipeclay Lagoon Oyster Growers (PLOGA) ran a removal session with the Sandford Cub and Scout groups on October 25<sup>th</sup> with around 35 bags of feral oysters, approximately 1 tonne collected. Mike will direct us as to our start point.

A registration desk will be set up at 2.45p.m and it is essential that participants register and read the safety guidelines. If you can bring a cold chisel, hammers, tomahawks or other suitable tools that would be great. High-vis vests, safety goggles and gloves will be provided. Solid, enclosed footwear is required and appropriate sun protection recommended.

PLOGA will provide bags and organise removal to their feral oyster dump site.

If possible it would be helpful to the organisers if you could advise Garry Hulme that you plan to participate. Phone or SMS 0439000391, email: [garry.hulme@gmail.com](mailto:garry.hulme@gmail.com)

With six sessions planned over this summer we hope to make a significant improvement along the foreshore. The remaining times are:

18 January 2015	1.00p.m. to 4.00p.m.
15 February 2015	11.30a.m. to 2.00p.m.
1 March 2015	12.00p.m. to 3.00p.m.
12 April 2015	7.30a.m. to 10.30a.m.
24 May 2015	6.30a.m. to 9.30a.m.

### Track maintenance project 01

With financial support of \$2,000 from Crown Land Services the first track maintenance project began. The grant covered the cost of materials and delivery while labor was provided by volunteers.

**1. North east point** – The area has been temporarily fenced off and sown for regeneration through winter and spring. You will have noticed that the sown area is regenerating well and will soon be opened up again.

**2. Northern Track** - A narrow layer of fine gravel was run along each wheel track. The centre of the track has been sown to regenerate to grass and the small northern foreshore access track needed a small quantity of crushed base to stop further erosion. Despite some days of almost torrential downpours immediately following the sowing, grass is establishing itself along the centre and edges of the track. Hopefully it will continue to define the track and motorists will cooperate by staying on the wheel tracks.

Thanks to Anthony Houston and his team for doing such a great job. The track will be monitored over time to see what impact it may have on traffic, the dust problem and appearance of the area.

### Wildcare Deslacs

Across Pipeclay Lagoon at Clifton Beach the Wildcare Deslacs group has been operating for several years now. To get an idea of the sorts of activities and outcomes we might aspire to, and perhaps to consider assisting them it is worth looking at:

[http://www.wildcaredtas.org.au/groups\\_details/deslacs](http://www.wildcaredtas.org.au/groups_details/deslacs).

### Communication

It would save time, trees, shoe leather and money if we could contact you by email. If you are happy to have us do this please email [garry.hulme@gmail.com](mailto:garry.hulme@gmail.com) subject “Wildcare”, with your address and we will share further newsletters and announcements electronically.