

December 2017

Next Forum

Protecting Powerful Owls

7pm Monday Feb 26, 2018

Coastal Environment Centre

Pelican Path, Lake Park Road, Narrabeen



Presenters:

Georgia Cameron has been involved in action to protect the habitat of powerful owls.

Michael Bianchino is the photographer for the book they co-published about Mikey, the Powerful Owllet.

Georgia Cameron and Michael Bianchino will tell about the struggle to protect habitat in Byles Creek Valley where Mikey, the Powerful Owllet, fledged.

They have co-authored two children's books about Mikey, the Powerful Owllet and friends, to engage people in the cause.



Mikey

Michael and Georgia host a radio program on local community radio station Triple H 100.1FM called "The Half Hour Hoot" featuring environmental issues.

The Coastal Environment Centre is adjacent to the Narrabeen Caravan Park near where Narrabeen Lagoon joins the sea.

Entry is free but we ask for a donation to cover expenses.

Make sure you get a ticket preferably by emailing Judith Bennett email@narrabeenlagoon.org.au or by phoning Judith on 9905 2135 or text 0402 974 105

Win this stunning painting!



Allan Dawes has donated this painting to be awarded to one of our financial members in a draw at our May Forum. Make sure you are a financial member by then to be in the draw.

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Spotlight Walk report

At the conclusion of the extremely successful talk on November 27 about Herpetofauna of the Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment by Jayden Walsh. a short spotlighting tour was conducted to see first-hand the amazing herpetofauna of the area. Participants were divided into 3 groups and set off into the Warriewood Wetlands - led by Jayden Walsh, Sam Woods and Billy Taylor.



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Dainty Tree Frog

Overall an excellent species list was seen by each tour group. Participants learnt the basics of spotlighting, what animals are in the area and some lucky participants even got to hold a Peron's Tree Frog and Eastern Dwarf Tree Frog. Ultimately the night provided the local community with the opportunity to engage with the local natural environment and witness wildlife that is not often seen. Feedback from the night was overwhelmingly positive highlighting the importance and appreciation of community engagement with the environment! In total wildlife encountered or heard between the three groups included: Striped Marsh Frog, Eastern Dwarf Tree Frog, Peron's Tree Frog, Common Eastern Froglet, Southern Boobook, Powerful Owl, Long-nosed Bandicoot, Sugar Glider, Common Ringtail Possum Brushtail Possum, Black Rat, Grey Headed Flying Fox and 1 microbat sp.

Enjoy the Outdoors

NEW! Wildlife Walks led by Jayden Walsh.



Eastern Pygmy Possum

Spotlight Walk - 8pm Friday Dec 15

Spotlighting walk - meet at start of Slippery Dip Trail. Spaces limited to 20 people. People

Booking essential:
email@narrabeenlagoon.org.au

Wildlife Walk - 7:30am

Saturday January 20, 2018

Meet at end of Deep Creek Carpark.
Spaces limited to 30 people.

Oxford Falls Triangle 4:30pm Mon 1/1/18

3 hour bushwalk starting from Morgan Rd, Oxford Falls. We identify plants and on the way home do 20 min weeding of whiskey grass. Booking essential: Conny 0432 643 295

Exploratory Walk 7:30am Sun 11/2/18

Walk starting from Deep Creek. Allow 5 hours.
Only fit walkers. Booking essential: Conny 0432 643 295

Spotting Wildlife

There are some apps for your phone that enable you to record sightings of wildlife or unwanted feral species when you are out and about.

This data can become very important over time. Please try to note where you are when you make the sighting.



Frog

One app asks you to record turtle sightings, one asks you to record frog noises and one to record feral species - in this area, particularly rabbits and foxes or their droppings.



Turtle

The Australian Museum says "With your help, we'll map frog species across Australia and discover where frogs are at risk from habitat loss, disease and climate change. Who knows, you may even discover a new species!"



Fox

www.turtlesat.org.au/turtlesat/gallery.aspx?photodir=51

www.frogid.net.au/

www.pestsmart.org.au/new-free-app-for-mapping-pest-animals/

Narrabeen Lagoon Eco Paddle

1pm Sat Mar 10, 2018

A relaxing 2 to 3 hour afternoon paddle. No previous kayaking experience required, tuition given. BYO boat or a hire kayak can be arranged at cost. Bookings essential.



Email tonycarr@ozemail.com.au or call 0417 502 056.

Trees or townhouses? Your support makes a difference!

To: Friends of Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment
P.O. Box 845, Narrabeen, NSW 2101

- YES! Consider me for membership. I enclose
- \$85 for 5-yr membership (unwaged \$40)
- \$20 for 1-yr membership (unwaged \$10)
- \$5 for student membership

Free for students of environmental science

Name of College: _____

Please make membership fee cheques payable to *Friends of Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment* or make a transfer to BSB 512 170 Account 3043591. Thank you.

Members need to support our mission to protect bushland in Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment. Applications for membership need to be approved by the committee.

I support FoNLC mission
Please sign here

I wish to make a donation of
 \$250 \$100 \$50
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Thank you.

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It will be most helpful to have your email address as we often use emails to communicate with members.



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