

April 2020



Friends of Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment



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Next Forum

When Covid-19 restrictions are lifted we will announce a date for a forum on ...

Aboriginal Heritage in Wheeler Creek Valley

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we had to cancel our May 2020 forum but Dennis Foley who lives and works now in Canberra is willing to come up to Sydney on a date to be determined, to talk about the Aboriginal significance of Wheeler Creek Valley in which recently there has been a declaration of "An Aboriginal Place".

Night time Wildlife Walk

Jayden Walsh led a special guided night walk in Warriewood Wetlands on Friday, Feb 28, to meet some of the creatures that he talked about at the forum on February 24.



Peron's Tree Frog

The **Secrets of Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment** forum on February 24, 2020 was packed and the people in the audience were impressed with the many stunning wildlife photos Jayden Walsh showed. Here is just one of them — this one is of a Gully Skink.

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Gully Skink

Local Strategic Planning Statement

The Local Strategic Planning Statement has been prepared by Northern Beaches Council as a guiding document for the preparation of a Local Environment Plan for the whole of the Northern Beaches Council areas. The Local Environment Plan provides the Planning controls for development proposals.

The Local Environment Plan will show zoning in the catchment where development is currently controlled under Local Environment Plan 2000 which has Localities in place of zoning.

The Council adopted the Local Strategic Planning Statement at a Council Meeting on 25 February 2020. The Greater Sydney Commission has approved the Local Strategic Planning Statement — the new Local Environment Plan needs to be consistent with the Regional strategy plans prepared by the Greater Sydney Commission .

In addition the Deferred areas will be the subject of various studies prior to the preparation of a Draft Local Environment Plan. These studies are currently being undertaken and will be placed on exhibition by Council prior to the end of this calendar year. Council expects to have the Draft Local Environment Plan on exhibition during the first quarter of 2021.

It will be important to study these documents to ensure that the objective of *Friends* (i.e. to ensure environmental protection for the bushland in the Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment) is incorporated in the planning documents.

Someday Isle ...

Covid-19 has provided an opportunity for us to visit Someday Isle ... as in ...

Someday I'll ... Clean out my cupboards

Someday I'll ... weed the garden ... etc, etc

Outdoor activities

All our outdoor organised activities have been cancelled until further notice due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Enjoy our lovely Autumn weather in any way you can.

Bushland or urban developments? Your support makes a difference!

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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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