

# **WILDWATCH WORKSHOPS**

## **WILDLIFE TRAINING FOR HABITAT BRISBANE & CATCHMENT GROUPS**

Dear Habitat Brisbane & Catchment group members,

*Wildwatch Brisbane* is a new Brisbane City Council initiative. It has been developed to encourage and enhance the capacity of the community to get involved in collecting vital information about our local fauna, including native and invasive species. In particular Council recognises the ongoing and invaluable work of its Habitat Brisbane and Catchment group members and in turn have designed the *Wildwatch* workshops which offer its members training in conducting wildlife surveys. Members can expect to receive training in fauna identification skills, the application of approved survey methods, record/data keeping as well as a better understanding of animal ethics responsibilities under State legislation.

In early 2006 a pilot series of *Wildwatch* workshops were held at various locations across the city. Due to the success of the pilot program Council would like to invite all Habitat Brisbane and Catchment group members to participate in Series 2 of the *Wildwatch* workshops commencing in November 2006. There is no charge to attend.

*Wildwatch* workshops provide an excellent opportunity to get out into our city's natural areas and learn new skills from experts in the field including Dr Scott Burnett, Steve Wilson, Greg Czechura, Adrian Caneris and Dr Kev Warburton.

Current 'Wildwatchers' who attended the pilot series are encouraged to come along again as advanced training in new techniques will be offered and is a great opportunity to build upon current skills and knowledge.

Please wear appropriate clothing, including sturdy walking boots and long pants (for evening activities particularly) and don't forget to bring a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen and plenty of water. You may also wish to bring a fold-out chair or picnic blanket as at some locations seating is limited and a torch for evening activities. Refreshments will be provided.

As places are limited please contact the Council Call Centre on 3403 8463 from Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2006 to RSVP for any or all of the workshops. Attached is the events calendar. For further information please contact your Habitat Brisbane Officer or Catchment Coordinator.

Yours sincerely,

*Your Habitat Brisbane Officers and Catchment Coordinators,*

Jenny Leask (North)  
Tom McHugh (West)  
Kylie Withers (East)  
Keren Sweeney (South)  
Fleur Sanderson (North)

Anna Greig (North)  
Greg Siepen (Moggill Creek)  
Melinda McLean (Enoggera Creek)  
Nathan Kirby (Kedron Brook)  
Julie Sanderson (Oxley Creek)



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## Summer Calender 2006-2007

Event	Date	Time	Meeting Location
Fishy business: freshwater fish surveys	25 November 2006	12pm - 3.30pm	Broadwater Rd Picnic Area, off Mansfield Place, Mansfield UBD 201 R4
	02 December 2006	12pm - 3.30pm	Les Atkinson Park, Stable Swamp Creek, Sunnybank UBD 220 H1
	09 December 2006	12pm - 3.30pm	Branton Street, Moggill Creek UBD 177 J7
Summer Spotlighting	03 February 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	Anstead Bushland Reserve, Hawksbury Road, Anstead UBD 195 P4
	10 February 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	Upper Cabbage Tree Creek, Speilberg Street, McDowall UBD 118 Q10
	03 March 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	Sherwood Arboretum Jolimont Street, Sherwood UBD 178 K19, continue onto Strickland Terrace, Sherwood
Foraging for Frogs	17 February 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	Bowman Park, Bardon UBD 158 L6
	24 February 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	Pegg's Park, Moorooka UBD 180 A19 and continue on to Oxley Creek Common, Rocklea
	10 March 2007	5.00pm - 8.30pm	7 <sup>th</sup> Brigade Park, end of Playfield Street, Chermside UBD 120 B12
Birdwatching for Budding Birdos	3 March 2007*	6.30am - 10.00am	JC Trotter Park, Cherbon Street, Burbank UBD 203 K7
	17 March 2007*	6.30am - 10.00am	Boondall Wetlands Reserve, Environmental Education Centre UBD 111 C14
	24 March 2007*	6.30am - 10.00am	Pullenvale Forest Park, Pullenvale Road, UBD 176 H14
Hunting for Herp: reptile search	3 March 2007*	9am - 12.30pm	JC Trotter Park, Cherbon Street, Burbank UBD 203 K7
	17 March 2007*	9am - 12.30pm	Boondall Wetlands Reserve, Environmental Education Centre UBD 111 C14
	24 March 2007*	9am - 12.30pm	Pullenvale Forest Park, Pullenvale Road, UBD 176 H14

\* 'Birdwatching for Budding Birdos' and 'Hunting for Herp: reptile search' have a joint activity component. Participants have the option of attending either session and arriving at the specified time or can attend both sessions back to back (ie come along from 6.30-12.30 for birds and reptiles).