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**Join Us in Planting 300 Trees on the Mountain!
... at National Tree Day Sunday 31st July**



After last year's National Tree Day was cancelled due to Covid restrictions, TM Landcare will host this year's National Tree Day at the family-friendly Rosser Park, Tamborine Mountain. We'll plant 300 trees and shrubs adjacent to previous Landcare plantings there.

Scenic Rim Regional Council has asked us to extend the existing forest. This will help improve the health of the mature trees in the park by eliminating destructive mowing over their roots and reducing the grassed areas. Our local wildlife will be delighted that we're creating more safe, supportive habitat for them.

Make a note in your diary:

- Rosser Park – Opposite Siganto St, Mount Tamborine
- Sunday 31st July, 9-11am

- Tools and morning tea provided

This is an event for all ages – bring the (grand)kids, tell your neighbours and join other friendly community mountaineers for a feel-good, active morning of enhancing our natural environment.

Our Hardworking Tuesday Team Roll Up Their Sleeves

On a recent, very cool morning, the volunteers turned up for their regular working bee – this time, at the Council Reserve that borders Wongawallan Rd in Eagle Heights. The site is a beautiful habitat for many birds, including the elusive Alberts Lyrebird, and Tamborine Creek runs through the gully there.

The team members cleared weeds around previously planted natives and planted 50 more tubestock. This site is usually controlled by one of our contractors, who has eradicated a large patch of invasive *Lantana*. However, following all the heavy rainfall over past few months, this site, like many others we manage, needs that special care that our volunteers provide so well.

New volunteers are always welcome to join this friendly group that makes a real improvement to the health of our local environment. If you would like to participate, the Tuesday Team meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at various Landcare sites around the mountain. To learn more or put up your hand, please contact Judith Roland: juditroland@yahoo.com.au or send a message through the Landcare Facebook page.

Speaking of Weeds and Winter Weather...

Our very useful guide to the *Weeds of Tamborine Mountain* is now free! Pick up your copy of the booklet next time you visit our Piccabeen Bookshop.

And while you're there, browse amongst the wonderful range of second-hand fiction and non-fiction books for a bargain – just right for curling up with, on a winter evening, instead of binging on tv or YouTube.

... Or be tempted by our excellent array of new books. Here's a sample:

Australian Rainforest Seeds: A Guide to Collecting, Processing and Propagation, by M. Dunphy, S. McAlpin, P. Nelson and M. Chapman. CSIRO Publishing.

This compendium unlocks the secrets of growing 300 rainforest species. The book aims to support a growing movement of rainforest restoration.

Birds of South-east Queensland (fifth edition). Birdlife Australia.

The subtitle of this book filled with beautiful photos, *Birds Are in Our Nature*, reminds readers that "our" nature is filled, for now, with a range of wonderful avian creatures that deserve our attention and care for the habitats that support them and enrich our lives.

Create More Butterflies, by F. Jordan and H. Schwencke. Earthling Enterprises.

This richly illustrated guide identifies 48 butterflies and their host plants for South-east Queensland and Northern New South Wales.

Frogs of the Gold Coast. Loders Creek Catchment Association Inc.

This full colour guide identifies all 38 species found on the Gold Coast, each with six photographs representing the variation found within a species. Their descriptions, identifying features, calls, breeding habits and location details are also included, which makes it easy for readers to determine which of these species is in the local environment – and how we can support their habitats.

Inviting Nature to Dinner: The Benefits of Bringing Biodiversity to Our Backyards, by H. Schwencke and D. Copeman. Earthling Enterprises.

By planting native host plants in our gardens, we can support healthy populations of insects that will support the whole web of life. While the beautifully illustrated book focuses on the central east coast of Australia, its principles apply also to our local environment.

Mangroves to Mountains: A Field Guide to the Native Plants of South-east Queensland (second edition), by G. Leiper, J. Glazebrook, D. Cox and K. Rathie. Logan River Branch, Native Plants, Queensland.

This full-colour guide invites readers to explore and discover for themselves hundreds of the region's outstanding plants amongst the beauty of their natural habitat.

Rainforest Trees and Shrubs: A Field Guide to their Identification (second edition), by G. Harden, B. McDonald and J. William. Gwen Harden Publishing.

This authoritative volume offers a useful guide to identifying native species in Victoria, New South Wales and Subtropical Queensland with its diagrams and descriptions of the trees' and shrubs' leaves, bark, growth habits and the like.

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