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#### **PROGRAMME**

#### **General Meetings:**

November 21 Kroombit Report

#### **Excursions:**

November 13 Three Mile Scrub
November 20 Binna Burra
December 3 Xmas breakup
March 2017 Lord Howe Island
June/July Long Excursion 2017

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General meetings are held on the third Monday of the month, between February and November, starting at 7.30 pm, in the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland building at 237 Milton Road, Milton. This is near the corner with Baroona Road and next to the Castlemaine Perkins (Fourex) Brewery and the Theological College entrance lane. Entrance in Milton Road, with side ramp. Parking available in adjacent streets. For those who park in the Theological College car park, please put a \$3 donation in the box at the meeting reception. Milton railway station is directly opposite the building and there is a pedestrian underpass from the station under Milton Road.

Daytime meetings will be held occasionally at the Queensland Museum from 12:30 to 1:30 pm.

# GENERAL MEETINGS

#### Monday 21 November Report of investigations into flora and fauna at Kroombit Tops

A group of speakers will present the long excursion report for Kroombit December 2015. Speakers will include Harry Hines, Barry Jahnke, Gretchen Evans and Andrew Franks.

This is the final meeting for 2016.

#### Roster for general meetings

November 21 Reception: Would you volunteer?

Supper: Volunteer?

If you can assist at meetings with reception or supper, please advise a Councillor.

# MEETING REPORTS

#### **General Meeting:** 19 September

Dr Douglas Kerlin, Chief Ecologist with the Australian Koala Foundation (AKF) spoke on "What would a Koala Recovery look like". The Foundation is a non-profit non-government organisation, dedicated to the conservation and effective management of wild koalas. It receives no government money.

Koalas prefer the same geographic locations as humans in Australia and are now threatened in several states with numbers rapidly decreasing nationally. For example, the Koala Coast (Redlands, Logan, Daisy Hill Forest) has suffered a 60% decline and Pine Rivers a 54% decline since 1995 and this pattern is repeating virtually everywhere.

In a Koala study in 2013, involving collaring and tracking, 56% died with dogs being responsible for two thirds of those deaths. A koala habitat atlas, produced in 1996, identifying and ranking koala habitats in Australia is used in planning developments in NSW, but not in Queensland.

A Koala Protection Act has been written by lawyers and was used in the campaign during the general election. KoalaMap at <a href="https://www.savethekoala.com">www.savethekoala.com</a> is an on-line map – currently not publicly available but access is possible if requested.

London auctions record 4 million skins sold between 1880-1927. Another 4 million were marketed elsewhere but probably about four times that number of animals were shot and the skins wasted. It is likely that about 1% of the former population is left in Australia. 60,000 skins were sent annually from the Warwick/Stanthorpe area according to newspaper archives compared to the probable 10,000 koalas surviving now in the entire South East Queensland area.

Prime habitat for koalas are tree lined rivers /creek lines – possibly because of more palatable leaves. The aboriginal name, Koala, means "no drink" but koalas have been seen drinking and it appears that availability of water is a limiting factor now.

It has been suggested that incentives similar to the Common Agricultural Policy of the EU where land is set aside from agricultural use for a period could be helpful here for conserving the environment. Eco labels for products deriving from farms with good environmental practices for koalas could be helpful in preserving vegetation corridors for them. Perhaps carbon credits could be gained for growing eucalypts e.g. tallow wood

Eucalyptus microcorys, a favourite koala feeding tree, which has very dense wood therefore locking up much carbon.

A conservation project at Koala Beach, Pottsville, concentrates on developing land in a "koala-friendly" way with no dogs or cats allowed, fencing and traffic restrictions and good quality habitat set aside for wild life managed by a levy on residents. Koalas have thrived and a high diversity of butterflies suggests a healthy habitat. A good species richness was found in Koala Beach similar to the nearby conservation park. This compares favourably to poor species diversity in a normal housing development in the area. Therefore, this has proven to be a good development model with preservation of koalas and general biodiversity.

Rehabilitation of habitat is vital. Key koala trees in Brisbane are listed on-line and there are national koala tree planting lists available by locality on the AKF site.

Eucalyptus microcorys likes dry slopes, forest red gum E. tereticornis prefers creek lines, swamp mahogany E. robusta, greatly favoured, likes waterlogged soils. Koalas also use angophora, lophostemon, acacias, allocasuarinas and callitris for various purposes including shade.

The foundation carries out surveys using the Spot Assessment Technique, looking for faecal pellets, which is more accurate than sighting animals since they are difficult to find.

#### **General Meeting: 17 October**

Ms Tanya Prichard from the Queensland Trust for Nature spoke about the trust and its aims. It began in 2004 as a government body established to increase conservation outcomes on private land by establishing Nature Refuge Agreements attached to land titles. In 2012 it became a separate not-for-profit entity independent of government.

It aims to enhance conservation outcomes by purchase of significant land parcels through a Revolving Fund of capital. Once purchased, a Nature Refuge agreement is established and in some cases habitat restoration conducted before the land is then offered for sale on the open market. To date the Trust has established conservation agreements on 20 land parcels totalling 102,000 hectares. The cost has been estimated at \$46 per hectare compared with outright purchase and ongoing management costs for national parks and other private land conservancies.

The trust also has a strong focus on education through involvement of local communities, schools and likeminded groups and scientific research. Avoid Island off Mackay, purchased in 2006, is a significant flat backed turtle rookery. Research on these turtles is conducted by a number of universities with the involvement of the local community. At other properties significant research on koala populations is ongoing.

Tanya answered a number of questions from the audience indicating the interest generated.

# **EXCURSIONS**

Fees apply for weekend camps - \$2 per adult per night, plus other camping fees, if applicable. Registration for all excursions is with the Leader or contact given.

Those participating in any Club activity do so as volunteers in all respects and as such accept responsibility for any injury to themselves, however incurred. The Club or its officers cannot accept any liability or responsibility.

#### November 13th (Walking with Life) Three Mile Scrub on Enoggera Creek, The Gap

**Sunday:** 2.45 for 3pm - 5pm. Meet at Seils Park at the end of Creek Ave, Ashgrove (UBD Map 139, B17). Parking is available along the roadside. Leaders: Chris Galbraith (Three Mile Scrub Group, SOWN (Save Our Waterways Now) and Helen Schwencke.

Register by email: excursion@qnc.org.au with the subject: WWL Three Mile Scrub 13.11.16 or Contact Helen Schwencke 0423 127 492 or through QNC's Meetup website: http://www.meetup.com/Walking-with-Life-in-our-catchments-Nature-Excursions/ (become a member first).

Three Mile Scrub, along Enoggera Creek, has significant history (natural, indigenous and post contact). The area was visited regularly in the late 19th and early 20th centuries by the Field Naturalists and there is good documentation of species. Current revegetation work along the creek is making use of the species list. There are four habitat groups working along the section of creek and it would be good to see all those areas of work. Also,

Bancroft Park (near Kelvin Grove Rd) has the only area of old forest, and gives some feel of what the whole area was originally like.

For those who'd like to walk into Banks St Reserve, we've located a native stingless bee colony and a colony of Imperial Hairstreak butterflies close to each other along one track in the reserve itself.

For more information, visit: http://www.saveourwaterwaysnow.com.au/default.asp

#### November 20th Caves and Lower Bellbird Circuit, Binna Burra

**Sunday:** 8:30 am. This walk, in Lamington National Park, is 13.6 km! Leader: Barney Hines. Please register by email to excursions@qnc.org.au or phone 3720-9414.

The walk will traverse a variety of habitats. We will commence at the carpark near to the entrance to Binna Burra Lodge. The leader envisions that the walk will be in two stages. The first being a leisurely stroll, at the usual Nat's pace or slightly faster, for the four kilometres or so of the Caves section of the circuit to the Visitor's Centre. We will aim to have an early lunch at the Visitor's Centre. After lunch, those with limited time or energy can hike with care 1.5 kilometres back to the lodge along the main road (or alternatively organise a car shuffle). The rest of us will continue along the Lower Bellbird Circuit, a further distance of approximately 10km. Hopefully we will all get out before dark, but if not we will make an interesting exhibit for future club outings.

Please bring sun protection, a packed lunch and sufficient water for the day. There are toilets at the carpark (start) and at the Visitor's Information Centre (lunch stop). Leeches are likely, especially if it has been raining.

**Directions:** From Brisbane, head out on the M1 towards the Gold Coast. Take Exit 69 and at the traffic lights turn right into Nerang Road. Follow Nerang Road until it becomes the Nerang Murwillumbah Road. Turn right onto the Beechmont Road. At Beechmont take the first exit at the roundabout onto Binna Burra Road. When arriving at the National Park, please drive past the visitor's centre and continue to the main carpark near the entrance to the Binna Burra Mountain Lodge. Allow 1.5 hours travel time from the Brisbane CBD.

# December 3<sup>rd</sup> Christmas Breakup - Anstead Bushland Reserve

**Saturday**: Birdwalk from 6:45am, sharp! BBQ breakfast from 8:00 am. Leader: Barney Hines. Place: Anstead Bushland Reserve, Hawkesbury Road, Anstead.

The club visited this reserve last year and we return for the Xmas breakup. The early risers will enjoy a walk through dry sclerophyll forest with some dry-rainforest elements to a lookout overlooking the Brisbane River.

Please BYO everything for the breakfast. Two shelter sheds, each containing electric BBQs are available. There is lots of mown open space for the kids to run around on. Toilets and water are on site.

**Directions:** Take Moggill Road out of Brisbane towards Moggill. Travel through Pinjarra Hills and then turn right into Mt Crosby Road. Follow Mt Crosby Road then turn left into Hawkesbury Road, travel 150 metres and turn right to enter the gate to the carpark. Allow about 35 minutes' travel time from the Brisbane CBD. Please note that the entry gate may still be locked when the early starters arrive – if so please park along the road.

#### **Long Excursion 2017** Central West Queensland

June 24 – July 9 Leaders: Peter and Lynette Haselgrove

The trip for 2017 will be to two properties in Central West Queensland. For the first week we will stay at Noonbah, a grazing property owned by Angus and Karen Emmott. Noonbah is SW of Longreach and west of Lochern National Park. In the second week we will be camping at a Bush Heritage property, Edgbaston Reserve (Edgy), NE of Aramac. We expect to spend about six days at each place.

At Noonbah we will be naturalizing both on the property and in Lochern. Our hosts are very keen and extremely knowledgeable naturalists and will, therefore, be able to guide us to special places.

Our camp will be in and around an unoccupied fully furnished five-bedroom house. The main bedroom has a double and a single bed and ensuite. There is a separate bathroom, separate toilet and laundry, washing machine, kitchen with upright stove/oven, fridge/freezer. A family might like to have exclusive use of the main bedroom and ensuite at a slightly higher rate per person. Campers will be near the house and able to use the facilities.

Noonbah camping:-

Beds in the house (\$10/person/night)

Main bedroom, ensuite (exclusive use - \$15/person/night)

Own camp outside with use of facilities (\$5 /person/night)

I think that the best way to organize the use of bedrooms is for people to email us with their requirements, e.g. single bed, double bed, don't care, willing to share a room. We will then try to co-ordinate things.

From Noonbah, we will stop over in Longreach for lunch and to restock supplies and then travel to Edgbaston Reserve, near Aramac where we will camp for six days or so.

If anyone wishes to stay over for a night or two in Longreach, they are welcome. However, we would prefer that no-one left Noonbah before Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> and everyone <u>must</u> arrive at Edgy between 3pm Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> and midday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>. Your time in Longreach is entirely at your own expense and your own organisation.

At Edgbaston the aim is for the club to help as much as possible with routine monitoring, depending on people's particular skills or interest. The staff are also proposing to establish reference/survey/monitoring sites that can be the focus for Nats to undertake systematic or opportunistic surveys/monitoring collecting. For the latter the sites would be identified on the ground and a member say with an interest in birds could go there and undertake a standard bird census and fill in a data sheet which would go to Bush Heritage. Likewise, if someone interested in plants visited the site they could opportunistically collect fertile material and lodge with the Herbarium, with the species ID being added to the list of plant species recorded from that site. Mammal and invertebrate surveys are also options. A guided tour of the artesian springs will be organised. Anyone wishing to stay on a few days longer to complete any tasks is welcome to do so.

The Edgbaston camp will be around the converted shearing shed. Power is available with limited outlets (i.e. not to be relied on). Very basic cooking facilities are provided, e.g. BBQ inside shearing shed. BH hope to have a flushing loo and hot shower constructed in time for our visit. There is also a washing machine available if you are down to your last clean shirt. There is no camping fee at Edgy, but the Club fee will still apply.

Bring PLB and/or GPS if you have them. UHF radios will also help.

For the whole trip:-

- A 4wd vehicle is required as roads can become impassable very quickly after small amounts of rain.
- The whole trip is self-catering.
- The trip will be limited to 40 adults plus children (unless we get too many children).
- There may be other minor costs involved which will be advised.

We will have plant and animal lists from both Noonbah and Edgbaston Reserve available before the trip. Links: www.facebook.com/Noonbah-Station and www.bushheritage.org.au/edgbaston

**Register**: An application form is on the last page. Enquiries to Peter and Lynette at pely95@gmail.com.

From the very helpful people at the Longreach Visitor Information Centre:-

- ❖ IGA is open on Saturday from 9.00am to 5.00pm; Closed on Sunday
- ❖ FoodWorks is open on both Saturday & Sunday 9.00am to 5.00pm
- Caltex Service Station, Shell Service Station & BP Service Station all open on Saturday & Sunday
- Water filling facilities are found at the Corner of the Visitor Information Centre on Duck St and the Day Caravan Car Park on Kite St & Landsborough Highway.
- ❖ 4WD hire from Avis/Budget, both at Longreach Airport Phone: 07 4650 1000

# **EXCURSION REPORTS**

#### September 17th Mapleton National Park – Linda Garrett Circuit

Cat birds were calling as we set out in great weather for our walk along the Linda Garret section of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk. The ten attendees were impressed by the diversity of habitats present rainforest, wet sclerophyll and a stand of palms. There were some spectacularly large specimens of blackbutt (*Eucalyptus pilularis*) and tallowood (*E. microcorys*). This had been a forestry area so there are also the remains of even larger trees.

We also found some fungi including three brilliant red waxcaps (*Hygrocybe*), a large specimen of *Cymatoderma elegans* and two fallen logs covered in wineglass shaped *Microporus xanthopus* which have a characteristic yellow base or foot.

Plants that were in flower included a native gardenia *Atractocarpus sp.* with star-like white flowers, the yellow flowering legume, *Platylobium formosum* and also the hop bush *Dodonea triquetra* with attractive purple fruits. Other highlights included a decapitated *Antechinus* found on the path and a small red-bellied black snake peeping out from some bushes.

I think everyone enjoyed the outing and we ended by having lunch at the lily ponds at Mapleton.

Gretchen Evans

### September 29<sup>th</sup> - October 3rd - Bolivia Hill, via Tenterfield.

Bolivia Hill, 45km south of Tenterfield, was an excellent choice for an extended weekend camp. Twelve QNC members and two Tenterfield Nats enjoyed finding quite a few "rarities" although both day 1 and day 5 produced heavy rain. Kookaburra Camping and Caravan Park was an ideal base from which to explore the local granite country and Nature Reserves and is recommended. Leaders Neil Fordyce and Janet White will produce a full report of this camp for the next newsletter.

The photograph on the front page (right) shows members and a local visitor endeavouring to identify plant specimens in the camp meeting area.

Acacia pycnostachya Bolivia wattle Photo: Faseny McPhee





#### October 9th Enoggera Creek, The Gap

Walking With Life at Enoggera Creek, Yoorala St section. A group of sixteen people from young to more mature joined our enjoyable walk. They were from our Meetup site along with QNC members. The weather was overcast and threatened rain, so few insects were on the wing. Our meander was a slow one indeed. We spent the full two hours walking perhaps 500m as we explored the creek line and plantings in detail. The work onsite was started by Vera and Fred Moffat in the 1990s. Vera's dedicated contribution during her life is now being commemorated by a seat in a lovely spot overlooking a well-revegetated creek line. Thanks to Stella Fields who maintains the area and acted as our local leader. Stella explained the ongoing work being done and showed us various delightful features.

Helen Schwencke

The QNC always prides itself on going to interesting places with interesting people. Council is seeking venues and enthusiastic leaders to guide us through 2016. If you know a place that you would like the club to visit, please contact Barney Hines or email excursion@qnc.org.au

Council wishes to remind excursion leaders that a contribution toward reconnaissance costs can be claimed from the Club.

WANTED

Excursions Ideas and Leaders



# A reminder - Subscriptions were due on 1st July!

#### Welcome to New Member:

Miss Carolina (Karin) Shronkhorst, Glasshouse Mountains

We hope you have a long and happy association with the club.

#### NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL

Our club is due to elect a new president at the AGM on 20<sup>th</sup> February. We will also usher in a new Council and I would like to offer my thanks to outgoing Council members. I would also like to thank all QNC members for their co-operation, volunteering and support for club activities over these past two years.

There will be a number of vacant positions on Council in 2017 including President, a Vice-president, Newsletter Editor and at least one other Council vacancy. I would encourage members to nominate for the positions as with more people the workload is shared and does not fall on the shoulders of a few.

For my part it has been a great honour and a privilege to have been president of QNC and I thank everyone for the opportunity it has presented for me to assist the club. I look forward to working in any capacity in the club in its future endeavours. *James Hansen* 

The Nomination Form to join the Council is on the last page.

#### **Apologies**

The last issue of the News was mistakenly printed as an A5 document which meant the print was not easy to read. Our Printer has explained what happened and he has apologised sincerely. He did offer to reprint and repost at his expense. However, Council declined his offer as there were no complaints from members.

#### ONC News by email or post - Consider this!

If the majority of members were to elect to receive the QNC News as a PDF via email, the publication could be made into a much more interesting and informative document. More and larger photos could be included and the reports on speakers at meetings and outings could be expanded. At the moment the document has to be limited in the number of pages so that the printed version can fit into an envelope.

Another issue is the cost of printing and posting, particularly as postage has increased considerably.

For those who are not highly computer literate I'd like to offer some advice. If you receive the PDF in an email you can save it to a folder so that it is always easy to find. A suggestion is to name the folder "QNC News" and then save the PDF with a title starting with the issue number, e.g. "328 Sep-Oct 16". The files should then be sorted by the issue number and therefore easy to find.

If you want to have a printed copy of, for example, instructions on an outing you can just print the page or pages that are needed, rather than the whole document. I would suggest printing on both sides of the paper.

You can save your PDF to iBooks and take it with you on your iPad so that directions to outings are easily accessible.

If you do not have an iPad but do have a tablet or phone that can store PDF's and you need advice as to how to save the file to them, please send me an email and I will get the information you need.

Lynette.

# LIBRARY & FACEBOOK

#### Mrs Leith Woodall

The club's Facebook page is open to the public and can be found at QNC Facebook Page

We continue to promote outings and evening meetings on Facebook. Promotion of September meeting of Douglas Kerlin's talk "What will a Koala recovery look like?" was shared by the Australian Koala Foundation and as a result seen by 3324 people and liked by 43.

Currently we have 465 people who like the QNC page. 59% of our followers are women. Most of our followers come from Australia, but we have followers in 24 other countries on all continents except Antarctica.

# **EXHIBITS**

Exhibits for general meetings may be in the form of specimens, books, digital images etc. If you take an exhibit to a meeting, please think about also providing a *small piece of written text* to accompany it. Your natural history observations can then be shared with all members via:-

- ➤ The club website email text and photos to web@qnc.org.au
- > Our Facebook page contact Leith for help at facebook@gnc.org.au
- ➤ In the QNC News email text and photos to news@gnc.org.au

This variety of formats allows all members, including non-Brisbane members, to share their experiences.

#### **September Exhibits**

- Dr Popple showed a picture of koala at Oats Hill in *Eucalyptus tereticornis*. Four days later probably the same animal appeared in his back yard in a *E. major*. It woke up and reacted when he went to look at it but remained in place.
- Map of koala habitat by guest speaker.
- Barbara Braddock showed an object she had found on the ground thought to be an arboreal termite mound fallen off tree.
- Mike Anderson showed nuts of *E. microcorys* and *Syncarpia glomerulifera*.

#### **October Exhibits**

 Mr Bill Popple – showed images including the male Regent Bower Bird – Thylogale Track at Jolly's Lookout, a rare occurrence.





# WHAT'S ON!

#### THECA Meeting www.theca.asn.au

General meetings are usually held at The Hut, 47 Fleming Road, Chapel Hill, on the fourth Wednesday of each month from February to November at 7:00pm. (UBD 177 P2). See the website for information on Events.

#### Queensland Herbarium Seminar FM Bailey Room, at 12 Noon www.qld.gov.au

The Herbarium hosts free public seminars at the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens from noon until 1pm in the second week of the month (February to November) - FM Bailey conference room in the Herbarium building. You don't need to register, just turn up on the day.

14 November

Site based assessment of vegetation condition and habitat using terrestrial laser scanning Jasmine Muir, University of Queensland and Remote Sensing Centre, DSITI

#### BioBlitz Fraser Island (K'Gari) starting 28th November

The response so far is very encouraging with strong support amongst invertebrate specialists covering fungi, dung beetle, ants, spiders, birds, bees and butterflies. There are though still large gaps in some of the special areas that should be covered. We are particularly looking for fresh-water ecologists to identify as many living species as possible in the creeks, lakes and fens of the area that deserve much closer scrutiny. We would also like a much stronger botanical team because we think there are many new species for Fraser Island waiting to be discovered. Please encourage anyone who may be able to assist us in this ambitious BioBlitz to participate. The registration details are on the web site: fido.org.au

Contact bioblitz@fido.org.au if you have queries. Dr Kim Walker, (USC) Coordinator and John Sinclair AO (FIDO)

# **NOTICES**

#### Calendar 2017

For those of you who were not at the October meeting, Sheryl Backhouse is taking orders for next year's calendar. The format is the same as last year with large squares you can write appointments in. The cost is \$12.00 if you collect it or \$16.00 posted.

ORDERS CLOSE 13<sup>th</sup> November.

Please email Sheryl sheryl.backhouse@bigpond.com or phone 3289 4198 if you would like to order and advise if you are collecting your calendar or would like it posted and also advise your method of payment.

You can collect and pay at the November meeting (cash or cheque) OR post a cheque to our Treasurer, Mike Anderson, 164/462 Beams Road, Fitzgibbon Qld 4018 OR make a direct deposit into the Club's account.

Account Name: The Queensland Naturalists Club Inc. Bank: Westpac **BSB:** 034 068 **Account No.:** 901249 **Reference:** (Your Name)

Remember to advise Sheryl as above.

Photos featured in the calendar include Grounds of Government House Brisbane by James Hansen, Thorny Devils by Coral Reichman, Red Winged Parrot by John Sampson, Scarlet Honeyeater by Rhonda Knight, Squatter Pidgeon (at right) and Rainbow Lorikeets by Ed Meyer, Barking Owls by Esther Horton-Van Der Woude, Bush Stone-curlew with two chicks and Rufous Fantail (see front page) by Kathy Clark, Spotted Pardalote, Bearded Dragon, Rainbow Bee-eaters and Brown Honeyeater by Peter Storer and Steven Watson's family visit to Koreelah National Park.



#### Life Scientist of the Year

The University of Queensland's Associate Professor Kerrie Wilson has been awarded one of this year's Prime Minister's Prizes for Science – the Fenner Prize for Life Scientist of the Year. Details at <a href="https://www.uq.edu.au/news/">www.uq.edu.au/news/</a>

#### Naming honours

Rod Hobson, QNC member and a Ranger with Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service, has the honour of having four animals named after him.



Image courtesy of Steve Wilson

Hobson's Fine-lined Slider Lerista hobsoni is a lizard found in scattered open forests in the Upper Burdekin catchment west of Townsville. From the paper describing the species:

Etymology. Named for Rodney Gordon Hobson of the Oueensland Parks and Wildlife Service, for his significant contribution to the understanding and conservation of Queensland's reptile fauna.

Rod also has a cicada Drymopsalta hobsoni, found in Bringalily State Forest, a snail Jimbour Black Soil Snail Jimbouria rodhobsoni, found in the remnant grasslands of the Darling Downs, and the Mt. Ossa Leaf-tailed Gecko Phyllurus ossa hobsoni bearing his name.

The cicada species was described by Lindsay Popple and Tony Ewart, published in the journal 'Zootaxa' (3620(1), 2013).



Dorsal view of the male holotype of a cicada, Drymopsalta hobsoni, T183037. ©Queensland Museum, Geoff Thompson



Image courtesy of John Stanisic

#### **Publications for Sale**

There are many publications available from the Club at the front desk at General Meetings, including new books such as the Rangers Guide to Plants of the Glasshouse Mountains which costs \$20 and Butterflies of SE Queensland by Trevor Ford costing \$8.00. QNC cards are available for \$2.00 each. Other publications include:

Rocks and Landscapes of the Gold Coast hinterland 3<sup>rd</sup> edition (new) – Warwick Willmott \$18.00 Butterfly Host Plants of SE Qld and northern NSW 3<sup>rd</sup> edition – John Moss \$10.00

A Brisbane Bushland: the history and natural history of Enoggera Reservoir and its environs Seaweeds of Qld - Alan Cribb \$12.00

Landscapes of the National Parks of Central Old – Warwick Willmott \$18.00

Rocks and Landscapes of National Parks of Nth Qld – Warwick Willmott \$18.00

Common Wildflowers of Girraween and Bald National Parks - Peter & Leith Woodall \$5.00

Create More Butterflies – Frank Jordan and Helen Schwencke \$20.00

Fungi out West – Chinchilla Naturalists Club \$20.00

QNC cards (no text) - \$2 each, envelope included, selection of images.

Compilation of Quids 1-18 1994-2008 \$5.00

CD's - Collection of 285 calls of Australian Birds - 4 discs by Helen Horton \$20.00

85 Bird calls of SE Old (1 disc) by Helen Horton \$5.00

Qld Naturalist - Back Issues \$1.00 to members.

Centenary Issue Old Naturalists \$5.00.

#### **Annual Membership Subscriptions**

### **DUE 1<sup>st</sup> JULY**

Family \$40; Single \$25; Student /Junior \$15; Club Badges \$15

#### Subscriptions are paid to the Treasurer, Mike Anderson

- ❖ By Post to 164/462 Beams Rd, Fitzgibbon 4018 with bank cheque or money order. Please include this completed page.
- at a General Meeting in an envelope with this completed page.
- by EFT -

Account: The Queensland Naturalists Club Inc

Bank: Westpac BSB: 034-068 Account No.: 901249

**Reference:** Your name

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The Queensland Naturalists' Club Inc Council Nomination Form	Proposer:	I,being a financial member ofthe Queensland Naturalists' Club Inc hereby nominate		(Name of nominee)	for the position of (Council Position)	Signed:	(proposer) Name of Seconder:	Signed:	(seconder)	Nominee: I agree to accept this nomination and, if elected, will fulfil the duties of the position.	Signed:	NOTE: This form must be returned to the Secretary 14 days before the Annual General Meeting by post to PO Box 5663, WEST END 4101.		
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