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Brahminy Kites (Haliastur indus)

Have you seen these beautiful birds flying round Booral?

They are magnificent and so graceful gliding round our skies. They are also called Sea Eagles but they are not strictly an eagle. They are a medium-sized bird of prey in the family Accipitridae, which also includes many other diurnal raptors, such as eagles, buzzards, and harriers.

They live along the coastal areas but have been known to go inland. They can be found in northern and eastern Australia but also extend into south east Asia.

They mainly like swamp land/mangroves and their main diet is carrion (dead animals), insects and fish. They will also steal from fish hunting birds like seagulls. Their nests are built in living trees near water, often mangrove trees and both parents incubate the eggs.

Their conservation status in Queensland is ‘Secure’.

So if you see them, relax and watch them glide effortlessly through the skies.



A reminder too that it is breeding season for so many animals this time of year. Roos/wallabies will be jumping across roads after the girls so please drive with care. They can be eating on the side of the road and without warning bolt across the road. If someone is unfortunate and hits one, please check the animal and if a female, check the pouch for joeys or pinkies. Phone a wildlife carer immediately so it can be helped, some can't but joeys can be saved.

Snakes too are on the move looking for a mate so be aware of where you are walking or when moving timber in the yard or even gardening. There's been a few stories of some odd places that they have been found (in BBQ's and even toilets), so keep doors closed so you don't find an unwelcome visitor under the bed! Make sure you know what to do if you are bitten. (Keep calm, call 000, bandage).

There are now special snake bite bandages available with rectangles on the bandage. When the rectangle becomes a square, it is tensioned correctly. Well worth having in the First Aid Kit.

From Vicki
Wildlife Officer BCA

A nature walk is scheduled for 6th October 2018 at the Pir'ri Reserve on Mathiesen Rd at 8am. Bring morning tea, water, hat, sunscreen, long sleeves, hat and covered walking shoes. Phone Peter for more information and to register for the walk: 0432 250 213 or by email: ggduckz@gmail.com. The closest toilet will be at the Community Park, Oslove Dve.



Hello Booral Community,

Spring is here, longer days, warmer weather, birds arriving- time to enjoy our beautiful environment & many outdoor activities at our doorstep. K'gari (Fraser Island), beaches, boating, whale watching, bushwalking, just a few, no wonder so many people migrate here, we are so fortunate!

We also have great people in our community, friendly and always willing to lend a hand. It's paradise!

I would like to thank all those who pick up litter in our area, we should all know the importance of stopping rubbish getting into the ocean and enjoy living in a clean environment. Big shout out to Amanda and her children who spend a couple of hours every weekend picking up rubbish on our roadsides. I will put day/time on the BCA Facebook page if, or any one else who would like to join in. ***If you find dumped rubbish, please contact council on 1300 794929 and they will arrange pick up.***

Unfortunately, there are still some who feel the need to throw rubbish out the car window and dump rubbish in the bush, but I'm sure they are a minority (and will be caught) and those who "just don't think" will get the message.

As a result of our Annual General Meeting - President, Treasurer, Secretary and Wildlife Officer remain the same. Thankyou to BCA members for their nominations and votes and executives for accepting the positions. We look forward to continuing business as usual and your feedback and input into the BCA and the Booral Bulletin.

Our next meeting is on Sat 6th October 3pm @ Community Park Oslove Drive (BYO Chair). All welcome. John Parsons from the Microbat Society will be our guest speaker. Come and learn about this important part of our wildlife ecosystem and enjoy John's vast knowledge and endless enthusiasm. Look forward to seeing you there!

Cheers

Lisa

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

A warm welcome to the BCA committee 2018-2019:

Lisa Rossini- PRESIDENT

Violet Whitaker—SECRETARY and EDITOR BOORAL BULLETIN

Wendy Reed —TREASURER

Vicki Avcin —ASSISTANT SECRETARY and WILDLIFE OFFICER

A big thank you to Ted Sorenson's office for printing the Bulletin, Harvey Norman and our sponsors who are all featured in the Bulletin, and to our volunteers who help with folding and delivery. Without you all none of this would be possible. You are gems in the community!



Council has complimented Booral Community Association, saying they would like to see more community groups such as ours in the region. So, well done to our community! If you would like to get involved, please drop by. As President Lisa said, we always welcome new faces and ideas.

The Wildlife Rescue Fraser Coast Group are the people to call for rescued and injured animals, care, advice and assistance. Please put this number on your fridge: 4121 3146. See page 3 for more details. Thank you, Natalie.

And Spring is here!

"Spring is Nature's way of saying 'Let's Party!'" (Robin Williams)

Violet Whitaker ~ Editor



HAVE YOUR SAY



If you have anything you would like to contribute,
a photo or a story you would like covered,
either email to allaboutbooral@gmail.com
or post to PO Box 1143 Hervey Bay Qld 4655

Your name and contact information must be supplied before anything is published.

Next BCA Meeting

Saturday, 6th October 2018 at 3pm

At the Booral Community Park, Oslove Dr, East Booral

Local Business Recommendation

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WRFC is a 100% voluntary service comprised of a small number of dedicated volunteers, providing rescue, care and rehabilitation for all species of native fauna (mammals, birds and reptiles, including Sea Turtles, Koalas, Echidnas & Bats), for all of the Fraser Coast region, 24/7, 365 days a year.

Wildlife carers associated with Wildlife Rescue Fraser Coast are legally permitted with DES (Department of Environment & Science) for wildlife rehabilitation.

For native wildlife rescue, care, advice, assistance or contacts in the Fraser Coast region, the main WRFC contact number 4121 3146 (24/7)

In addition to the above information, we have had an increase of Koala sightings being called in from the Hervey Bay area in the last couple of months, sadly with 2 of those being road victims (hit by vehicle) at Booral. WRFC facilitated rescue for both of these Koalas - one at 1am one night in June, the other at 2.20am in July. Tragically neither survived due to impact trauma injuries. It would be good, particularly as it comes into Koala breeding season and they are on the move more, and at a higher risk of danger/injury, to help ensure local residents are aware of the correct contact numbers for Koala and other wildlife rescue, and have this handy and easily accessible if needed at any time.

Our local Koala conservation facebook page is Koala Care Fraser Coast - <https://www.facebook.com/koalacarefrasercoast/>

Natalie Richardson
(Co-ordinator / Founder)
Wildlife Rescue Fraser Coast
Phone : 4121 3146
<https://www.facebook.com/wildliferescuefrasercoast/>



The Bayswater Courtesy bus now comes to East Booral as far as Sandrabarbaral! No courtesy bus has ever come here before...The closest was the airport. What a fantastic service for our suburb! Please contact the Bayswater for more information.
Well spotted, Wendy!

Through the eyes of



philosophies of the younger generation

"Mum, I want a hot dog!
They don't come from a dog, do they?"
Jace, aged 5 years.



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COUNCILLOR EVERARD'S CORNER

Welcome to the Spring Edition of the Booral Bulletin!



Thank you to those members of the community who have been supporting my monthly community chats at Oslove Drive Community Park. We have had some great discussions over the past few years and I welcome any body to join us on the last Tuesday of the month at 9am for a chat.

I will extend a warm welcome to the new residents of the Peninsula and it has been great to meet you and I do look forward to meeting you in the future after you settle in the area.

I will offer a thank you to those residents who have contacted me in relation to the rates and offer a little comment for the benefit of all.

Rates are directly linked to your land value that is set by the State Governments Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Energy. The Valuer-General is responsible for valuing all properties in the region, not the Council; if you have any valuation enquires please contact DNRME on 137468.

The changes that have been made such as the three rates notices have been a direct outcome from a rates review that was undertaken by Council with community consultation.

If you have any questions please contact me via email at: darren.everard@frasercoast.qld.gov.au

What's On: Fans of ABBA keep an eye out for Rhonda Burchmore & Lara Mulcahy with their show ABBA-solutely Fabulous.

ABBA-solutely Fabulous is on Thursday the 18th of October at the Brolga Theatre. Tickets are still available by calling the Brolga on 41226060

Council Contact:

Just a little reminder that if you see matters that require urgent Council attention please contact the Council call centre on 1300 794929. There have been times that I have missed vital calls on important issues which could not be helped. Please note the call centre is manned 24-hours a day seven days a week.

Community Chats:

Just a little reminder that my October community chat will be on Tuesday 25th September and Tuesday October 30th 9am to 10am at the Community Park, Oslove Drive. I encourage you to call in if you have any Council matters to discuss.

If you can't make it, I am happy to visit you at home. To make an appointment, please contact me on 0448 045 041 or email:

darren.everard@frasercoast.qld.gov.au

Kind Regards
Darren Everard
Councillor Division 7



BOORAL COMMUNITY CHAT

Community Chat with Darren Everard

Tues 25th Sept & 30th October 2018 ~ 9am to 10am

Oslove Drive Community Park, East Booral



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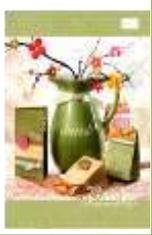
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The \$30m Eco Resort planned for the property behind Wilkin St has finally got the green light and the developers have taken control of the property this week so we are expecting to see this amazing development starting to take shape by the end of the year.

It is with great sadness that we are losing our property manager Debbie who has been with us throughout this year, she is moving back home and Tracey who has been working with us in sales and admin will slot into her position bringing with her a wealth of experience from running her own cleaning company.

Rentals are still very thin on the ground with available properties being snapped up as soon as they hit the market. If you are having trouble renting your property or not happy with you current agent please give Tracey a call on 4125 7777 and she will look after your every need.

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