

Pine Rivers Koala Care Association Inc. Newsletter – December 2017 Volume 14 Edition 1



AGM 25/09/2017

Thankyou to all who attended our AGM on Thursday 25th September.

Thankyou to the outgoing members of the Pine Rivers Koala Care Association Inc (PRKC) Executive, Glenn, Sally and Val, in particular Sally Elliot for many years of hard work and dedication to the Association.

Our PRKC Executive for 2017/18 are Sue Laird, President; Gary Bain, Vice President; Samantha Wakerley, Treasurer and Melissa Arancelovic, Secretary.

Coral continues as Rescue Coordinator. Madonna O'Brien and Joanne Bain continue as Carer Coordinators.

THANKYOU

Huge thankyou to all our hard-working drivers, carers, rescuers, tree climbers, fundraisers, bushcarers and administration volunteers.

Thanks to Helloworld at Strathpine for your donation towards our inaugural member desk calendars. Purchase ASAP last few calendars for \$10 for 2018, please email prkcai@prkoalacare.com.au.

Thanks to MP Autos, Frenches Forest Vet, North Lakes Vet, Stafford Vet, Warner Vet, Samsonvale Vet, Peter Dutton MP, Stephen Miles MP, Nikki Boyd MP, Shane King MP, Councillor Mick Gillam, Councillor Denise Sims and Moreton Bay Regional Council for your support in 2017 and we look forward to continuing in 2018.

Rescue Statistics for 2016/17

24 hours/7 days

Koala calls: 48 disease, 35 car hit, 6 dog attacks, 8 orphans, 9 under threat, 30 other (falls, drownings, caught in fence) 553 sightings.

Wildlife calls: 35 macropods, 283 birds, 14 echidnas, 304 possums/gliders, 59 reptiles, 42 other.

Upcoming Events

December 30th 2017

7.30am – 5pm Bunnings Brendale BBQ Please come along and buy a sausage and/or a drink and support us and tell your friends to come along too. Thanks to Coles Kensington Village for a donation.

January 25th 2018

7pm-9pm Strategic Planning Meeting Venue: TBA

February 22nd 2018

7pm-9pm Association Meeting Venue: TBA

March 22nd 2018

7pm-9pm Association Meeting Venue: TBA

May 7th 2018 PRKCAI Wild Koala Day Venue: Old Petrie Town

Recent Events

November 2017 Pine Rivers Park Christmas Carols

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President's Report

2017 has been a huge year for PRKCAI, with the success in May of the inaugural Wild Koala Day at Old Petrie Town. We will hold another Wild Koala Day on 7th May 2018 at Old Petrie Town. Thanks to stallholders, speakers, Oceanview Retreat, Nikki Boyd MP, MBRC and many more.

WILD KOALA DAY MAY 2017





















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July saw our successful tree planting project and BBQ at **Rob Akers Reserve, Bells Pocket Road, Strathpine**. "It is the most successful tree plant I have ever been involved in "said Carole Green, who has been involved in bushcare projects for 30 years. This project saw a connection in koala habitat and for other native wildlife, which has since had 2 platypus sightings at four mile creek. (photos of the site before, during and now) Thanks to Pine Rivers State High School, Strathpine State School, Torque Toyota Strathpine, MBRC, Councillor Mick Gillam, Bunnings North Lakes, Rod Ridley, Unitywater, Coles Kensington Village, Bray Park, Lawnton Country Markets. "Oh what a feeling..Toyota" was popular with the kids.



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2017 fundraising photos of some members enjoying volunteering at the **Pine Rivers Show**, **Seniors Expo** and **Pine Rivers Park Christmas Carols**:-



The **Dwarf Kabiana Koala Food tree trial** is progressing very well in schools and member properties. A workshop in October presented by Associate Professor Stephen Trueman, University of Sunshine Coast was very popular and many people were interested in the talk on "Designing Food and Habitat Trees for Urban Koalas". Many thanks to the USC team.



In November, some members drove to the University of Sunshine Coast to see how well the Dwarf Kabianas have been growing after 7 years, on their Campus and Chancellor State Secondary College Campus.







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