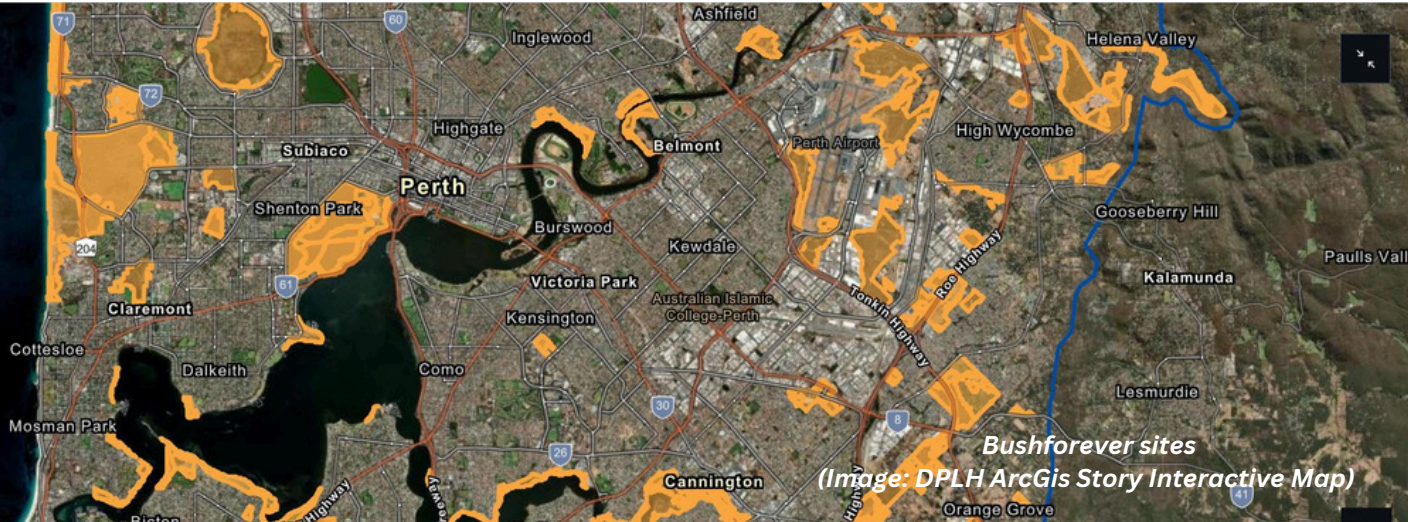


UBC acknowledges the Traditional Owners, the Noongar people, as the spiritual and cultural custodians of this land. Together we care for country.



Keeping the Bush in the City

Most UBC members are well aware that support for Bush Forever is a key reason for our existence. Many of our groups look after individual Bush Forever sites. That work is demanding, voluntary and extensive. In **2021 Perth NRM** estimated that 216 volunteers had contributed 113,892 hours, more than 70,000 for on-ground work. Local Government Authorities and the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions depend on this essential bush care work done by volunteers to manage the lands they are responsible for.

Following the 2021 Bush Forever audit, the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) prepared this interactive story to summarise Bush Forever achievements.

Keeping the bush in the city



The Interactive Map on this site is easy to use and has the advantage of showing Bush Forever sites mapped over imagery. If you have used Google Maps to navigate, the process is similar. The image above was clipped from the Interactive Map. Zooming the map in and out two things are very clear. Firstly, Bush Forever sites are concentrated in the outer suburbs of Perth. Strings of suburbs have no nearby Bush Forever sites. Secondly, there are numerous bush fragments outside Bush Forever mapping which occur across Perth on intersections, golf courses, schools, parks and along waterway and road reserves.

While Bush Forever aims to preserve key ecological communities, it does not ensure corridor connectivity. The Interactive Map also shows this problem clearly. Further, many sites are bisected by roads. Despite the good intention of Bush Forever, fragmentation continues along with the impacts of weeds, air, noise and light pollution.

While the DPLH story is a largely an upbeat account of Bush Forever, the reality is that there is much work still to be done. The majority of sites lack sufficient management resources, while some have no clear responsibility for management. Land tenure is not guaranteed.

UBC has recently engaged members in participating in the Urban Green Strategy and Public Open Space Strategies. While vitally important, these initiatives do not concern bushland specifically. Conserving urban bushland remains a primary objective of UBC. When UBC surveyed member groups in 2020 many expressed strong views in their support for urban bushland. However, when asked *Would your group be interested in working more directly with UBC on advocacy?* 19 groups (90% of respondents) selected 'no we are satisfied with representation by UBC'. Only two groups said they would like to be more involved.

We invite you to revisit Bush Forever, by having a look at the **Keeping the bush in the city** interactive map and story. As volunteers but also ratepayers, taxpayers and voters can we push harder to achieve and extend the goals of Bush Forever?



Christine Richardson, Heidi Hardisty and Professor Hans Lambers meet with the Environment Minister (Photo: P. Cullen)

Editorial

I am sure you were all relieved that the winter rains finally arrived in the south-west, with June being close to the long-term average in the Perth metro area and July tracking towards the long term average for rainfall. Many of our member groups have been very busy with planting activities, displaying a combination of optimism and determination for ecological restoration to counteract the impacts of the long, hot summer and the ominous signs around the Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer.

The past three months have been very busy for UBC on the advocacy and campaigning front. You can see our reports elsewhere in this edition. UBC has continued to work with CCWA and others in the conservation movement to 'Defend WA's Nature' and we encourage you to take action as outlined on Page 7.

UBC is now a member of the EPA's Stakeholder Reference Group and has established quarterly meetings with the Deputy Chair of the EPA. We have also secured quarterly meetings with the Minister for the Environment. These meetings give us an opportunity to advocate directly with decision makers.

This is a critical time for our bushland in urban and peri-urban areas. Whether its wetlands, bushland or coastal vegetation, all the outer edges of the Perth Metropolitan Area seem to be under simultaneous challenge from development whether for housing or infrastructure. UBC supports the campaigns of member groups and in this edition we have highlighted the Friends of Trigg Beach's campaign to stop the proposal for a boardwalk along and over fragile dune systems in a Bush Forever site. But that's not the only campaign. There are member campaigns across the Perth Metropolitan Area in the north-east (Brabham and Whiteman Park); the south east (Greater Brixton Street Wetlands), the south west (Anketell Road) and north (East Wanneroo). So many of our remnant bushlands are under threat of development.

See the page 1 article for a link to an interactive Bush Forever map so that you can see your own patch and its close by Bush Forever sites. Be in touch if you need some advice or assistance for your patch.

UBC's Advocacy Skills workshop in June was a resounding success. We know that some of our participants have already put their advocacy plan into action, with good results (more on page 3). Workshops such as this provide our members with the tools to take charge and the belief that they have power to act.

Go well. Be that voice for the bush!

Inside this issue

Advocacy Skills Workshop.....	3
Lightning Swamp Walk.....	4
Your voice needed	5
Defend WA's Nature	7
Group News	8
Events.....	11

- *Did you know that most of our readers are consuming the Urban Bush Telegraph in digital format?*
- *You can easily share our content because the articles are stored on the **UBC website** - no problems with large email attachments.*
- *We are phasing out long URLs in our articles so look for the bright green clickable links to shortcuts for the actions that really count.*



Lynn MacLaren in action (Photo: Colma Keating)

Advocacy Skills Workshop June

Is your bushland under threat? What can be done? What's the best way to work with the land manager? How do you gain public support and influence State government decisions? These were some of the questions explored at the Urban Bushland Council's Advocacy Skills workshop held on 23 June 2024 and attended by 30 members of 20 Friends groups from across the region.

According to facilitator Lynn MacLaren, advocacy is “a general term to describe purposeful actions that aim to change attitudes, policies and practices.” Advocacy has many guises and the methods adopted are typically influenced by the context. There is no right way to advocate for change. However, every project or campaign starts with an advocacy plan, and workshop participants were expertly guided in the steps involved:

- defining your goals
- identifying decision-makers
- finding potential allies and enlisting their support
- developing the message (including story telling)
- using ‘persuasive communication’ strategies: ethos/ethical appeal, pathos/emotional appeal, and logos/logical appeal
- delivering the message with a variety of tools: petitions, letters, lobbying, networking and other means

During the day experienced nature advocates, and some well-chosen videos, shared fascinating case studies to illustrate different approaches and outcomes (both positive and negative). There were many valuable insights to help inspire us on our individual journeys.

And the feedback on the day? The workshop was judged to be “eye-opening”, “really worthwhile” and “a great opportunity to share knowledge and skills from people experienced in advocacy.”

A big thank you to all the dedicated participants, to trainer Lynn MacLaren and guest presenters Leonie Stubbs and Heidi Hardisty, and to the **The Wettenhall Environment Trust** for sponsoring this workshop.

Vicki Caulfield, for UBC



Heidi Hardisty (Photo: Colma Keating)



Leonie Stubbs (Photo: Vicki Caulfield)



Lightning Swamp (Photo: Marg Owen)

Lightning Swamp Winter Walk

The Friends of Lightning Swamp (FoLS) guided 26 Urban Bushland Council members on a walk on the first day of Winter. After the long, hot summer, recent rains had transformed the bushland but, at the time of our walk, had not refilled the transient wetland.

Nellie Gay, our FoLS guide has a long history and love of the area. Her observation of how the bushland was faring, and perhaps her completion of the UBC City Bush Guides years ago, made for a well delivered commentary for the guided walk. Anoop Singh, a member of FoLS, an accountancy student and an amazing photographer, provided information on the importance of ecological linkages and how the main roads around this large 70ha remnant of Lightning Swamp could cause wildlife extinctions.

Good communication between the Land Manager, City of Bayswater, and Friends of Lightning Swamp has addressed many of the challenges to Lightning Swamp. A perimeter fence has stopped vehicular access and defined pathways reduced vegetation being trampled on unofficial tracks. The photograph shows the walking group traversing healthy banksia woodland. Four banksia species are found at Lightning Swamp.

After a week of good rain, the drainage channel was up and running, whereas two weeks prior, it had been parched. Near to the channel, raised walkways allow long immersions through nature. This has reduced dieback spread, and left critical wildlife undisturbed. It was suggested by knowledgeable participants that unexplained deaths of local plants along the edge of limestone trails could be from the unnatural alkaline soil created by the path. In addition to changes to the dynamics of the well canopied bushland via pathways, the artificial drainage channel may have changed local hydrology.

Lightning Swamp once contained a poultry farm and FoLS have worked with the City of Bayswater to save the cleared farm site from further degradation. Replanting the farm site has reduced nutrient spread and suppressed further weed spread.

FoLS continue to plant degraded areas with assistance from the City of Bayswater and local schools. While the survival rate is reduced by lack of follow up watering, persistent annual planting is making a difference. Walkers sighted areas of vegetation lost due to fire, leaving earth bare of leaf litter and subject to overheating. Arson is a constant threat, but with informed neighbours and enduring respect for this valuable environmental asset, arson has reduced and responses to occurrences are quicker.

Cate Tauss pointed out an expanse of overstorey *Eucalyptus rudis* with a range of understorey heights, once common, but now rarely seen in the metropolitan area. Due to fragmentation of the surrounding remnant bushland by roads, every bit of this wetland important. Fish, frogs, oblong turtles, insects and fungi would be in abundance followed by spoonbills and egrets. The water was garbage-free showing respect for the land. With more people visiting the patch and getting out into nature they can be the 'eyes' for the Swamp. The day after our great walk, it rained and the wetland starting refilling.

Sue Conlan and Robyn Colledge, for UBC.



Your Voice Needed Now on Key Issues

Greater Brixton Street Wetlands

Where are we up to?

The Appeals against the EPA's recommendation that the Amendments 166 & 169 of the City of Gosnells Town Planning Scheme (Greater Brixton Street Wetlands) should not be implemented will be heard in August.

[Read the report](#)

[Visit the UBC campaign page](#)

[Read CCWA's recommendation](#)

As we indicated in the Autumn edition, the EPA report also advises that if the relevant Ministers are of the view that the amendments should be implemented then the conditions provided in Appendices A and B be imposed.

In our Appeal hearing, UBC will be advocating that, should the Minister decide to implement the Amendments, the conditions outlined in the EPA Report need to be far stronger to afford proper protection. We expect that the proposal proponents will be appealing that the EPA recommendations be set aside.

UBC recently met with the Minister for the Environment to advocate for the formation of a regional park from the Upper Lesmurdie Falls to the Canning River so that the biodiversity of this entire area can be protected.

How can you help?

Join us in the Defend WA's Nature Day of Action on 31 July at the electorate office of the Minister for Planning where the focus is the protection of the GBSW, and then a sector-wide rally on 6 August at Parliament House. See details in the Defend WA's Nature article on page 7.

What's in the pipeline?

We are still awaiting the assessment for Lot 123 Mortimer Road, Casuarina in the City of Kwinana, and Erindale Road bushland, Hamersley in the City of Stirling. They are both high quality bushland sites, both of which should be fully protected and added to the conservation estate as 'A' class reserves for the purpose of conservation and passive recreation only.

[View the Friends of Erindale Road Bushland's presentation](#)

[Read the proposal for Mortimer Road](#)

[Read the proposal for Erindale road](#)

Anketell Road (Leath Road to Kwinana Freeway)

Where are we up to?

Main Roads has referred the upgrade of Anketell Road between Leath Road and Kwinana Freeway to the Federal Government's Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW). Anketell Road is proposed as a freight corridor to the new planned port for container shipping moving container trade from Fremantle to Kwinana.

In its referral to DCCEEW, Main Roads stated: 'The Proposed Action will also require the clearing of habitat critical to the survival of the Tuart Woodlands and Forests of the Swan Coastal Plain TEC'. The same was said for the Banksia Woodlands TEC.

Members and friends of the Urban Bushland Council recently walked through Tuart, Banksia and Honeymyrtle areas along Anketell Road.

In its submission on 18 July, the UBC stated that the proposal for Anketell Road to expressway standard must be determined to be a 'controlled action', thereby requiring a formal assessment and allowing for a four week public consultation period.

How can you help?

Watch out for updates as this process progresses. Go visit the Bush Forever areas either side of Anketell Road.

Gnangara Pines - Keep Carnabys Flying

Where are we up to?

Harvesting of the Gnangara and Pinjar Pine Plantations ceased in December 2023 following a decision by the state government to conserve the remaining pines as a critical food source for black cockatoos. It was a welcome move by many campaigning for better outcomes for the birds.

Birdlife Australia WA, Save the Black Cockatoos, UBC and Dr Hugh Finn (Curtin University) have written to the three relevant Ministers (Environment, Forestry, Water) proposing a plan to protect and enhance the environmental, community and cultural values that the Gnangara – Moore River State Forest supports.

How can you help?

Support the plan to thin the pines to an optimum density that will maximise the amount of pine nuts for Carnaby's Black-cockatoos.

[Read our joint letter here](#)

Your Voice Needed *cont.*

Urban Greening Strategy

Where are we up to?

The survey closed on 7 June. Thank you to all our members and supporters who made a submission on this very important issue. We hope that you found our UBC guide useful. UBC were also invited to make a submission on a series of focus questions, and you can find that on our [website at the top of the Urban Greening Strategy item](#) on that page.

Consistent with other groups, UBC recommended in its submissions that the WA State Government set and regulate a 30% Tree Canopy Target by 2040.

How can you help?

The Perth & Peel Urban Greening Strategy is scheduled for release in November. UBC intends holding a workshop at that time to hear the final recommendations. Come along when that is announced.

Public Open Space

Where are we up to?

Thanks to members who had their say on the State Public Open Space (POS) strategy put forward by the Western Australian Planning Commission in 2023. Some LGA's have accepted inadequate 10% local POS plus Regional POS (coastal foreshore reserves, buffering wetlands and waterways and high conservation areas). These conservation areas of Regional POS can include informal nature-based recreation.

How can you help?

Check that your LGA has labelled your local and regional POS correctly. It will be either for conservation or recreation. Check that your conservation areas are not proposed for infrastructure that diminishes conservation values (eg. lighting, paths). You need to keep an eye on LGA agendas for Ordinary Council Meetings and be prepared to question how they have mapped POS for conservation or recreation.

Not all Waxes are Weeds

The taxonomy of *Chamelaucium uncinatum* is undergoing review, and it is expected that as many as five subspecies will soon be formally described. At present, the scientific name does not distinguish between Geraldton Wax and the smaller-flowered, later-blooming, local variant, Wembley Wax.

Naturally growing stands of Wembley Wax are known only from the Quindalup Dunes in Bold Park and on the adjacent Cottesloe Golf Course but, before the introduction of the more-colourful and larger-flowered Geraldton Wax, which has simply overwhelmed it, the plant was probably widespread along the coastline of northern Perth.

The Friends of Melon Hill and the City of Nedlands are trying to (re?)-establish Wembley Wax at Allen Park.

Dr Ian Fordyce



Geraldton Wax (*Chamelaucium uncinatum*). An invasive woody weed at Hollywood Reserve



Wembley Wax (*Chamelaucium uncinatum*). A rare and threatened native, planted at Allen Park.



Defend WA's Nature - July Update

What started as “Save our EPA - protect WA’s Nature” has had a name change to “Defend WA’s Nature”, though the focus remains the same and the coalition of environmental groups is getting larger and stronger.

So what's at stake?

Right now, with governments under pressure from powerful vested interests, law reform is not on track to protect the wildlife and places we love. The WA government has announced plans to further limit powers to protect our environment, via legislative reform to the Environmental Protection Act. Amid a worsening climate and ecosystem collapse, we need better protections for our nature - not to weaken the few defences currently in place.

The environmental NGOs, lead by CCWA and including UBC and many others have been involved in consultation sessions with staff from DWER and DPC around recommendations from the Vogel-McFerran Review. Some of these will require legislative change. The conservation sector has been direct in its feedback supporting improved environmental protection, but we are not expecting to have access to planned legislative changes prior to their tabling in Parliament, possibly in the Spring session. We believe it important that we raise public awareness that nature is in crisis and that the government seems intent on weakening environmental laws rather than strengthening them.

How can community members be involved?

You are invited to our Day of Action at the Minister for Planning's electorate office in Perth on Wednesday 31 July at 11 am – 12 noon. Minister Carey is part of the environmental approvals reform taskforce and if you are following the Greater Brixton Street Wetlands EPA process, you know that he is one of the decision makers! The day's theme is ‘Our wetlands and bushlands won't survive without strong nature laws’.

The sector's week of action will culminate with a rally at Parliament House on Tuesday 6 August from 11 am – 12 noon when MPs return to Parliament. Your voice is critical in the fight to Defend WA's Nature!

Together, we must raise our voices - and give voice to the wildlife and ecosystems at risk - to demand that the WA Government halt any measures that undermine our nature laws. Instead, we need stronger protections to Defend WA's Nature now and for generations to come.

Read more

UBC has a **Defend WA's Nature** website that brings all campaign elements together – keep up to date by checking back at our website, checking out our Facebook and also being on the CCWA mailing list or socials

Take action

Come along to our rally at Minister Carey's electorate office at 11 am on 31 July. Address: Unit 24 Ground Floor 359 Oxford St, Mount Hawthorn WA 6016.

Join us at the rally at Parliament House at 11 am on Tuesday 6 August.

Use these quick links to take action:

- [Email to your local MP via our link](#)
- [Book a meeting with your local MP](#)
- [Use our briefer as a guide](#)

Come along to UBC's meeting (iNaturalist talk) from 6 pm on 31 July for the latest news (see page 11 for details).





CRREPA hard at work on the foreshore
(Photo: CRREPA Facebook page)

Canning Foreshore Conservation Group 30th

A community environment group that was formed on the back of a successful protest against the establishment of formal paths and boardwalks through a Bush Forever site at the mouth of Bull Creek celebrated its 30th birthday in May.

The Canning River Residents Environment Protection Association (CRREPA) was founded at a public meeting in Rossmoyne on 28 May 1994 to oppose the proposed developments in the Yagan Wetland Reserve and to address the degraded state of Yagan and the Shelley-Rossmoyne foreshore of the Canning River.

In the subsequent six months of intense work CRREPA organised a petition to the Canning Council, presented a detailed submission about the state of the Bull Creek wetlands and the Canning River foreshore to the Council and Swan River Trust, adopted a constitution, was incorporated with more than 200 members, published its first newsletter and was fully accredited by the City of Canning. Enthusiastic CRREPA members had also established a Water Sampling and Testing Group, a Seed Collection and Propagation Group, a Replanting Foreshore Vegetation Group, a Foreshore Vegetation Survey Group, and Bird Survey Group. Applications had been approved to Greening Australia for 15,000 *Juncus* plants and to the City of Canning for 2000 paperbarks, 500 eucalypts and 500 sheoak seedlings. Quantities of seed had been collected from local trees and the City had agreed to provide its plant nursery facilities to propagate the seeds.

In those formative years CRREPA played a decisive role in the City of Canning broadening its view of the Shelley-Rossmoyne foreshore to be not just another recreation reserve but an important conservation corridor linking the Canning River Regional Park and the bushland reserves of Bull Creek.

In the following decades CRREPA:

- has gradually revegetated sections of the foreshore with the overall approach that it is better to undertake small plantings that have a high survival rate than large plantings with relatively high mortality rates;
- was the principal force behind a new management plan that sets the directions for the Shelley-Rossmoyne foreshore until the end of the decade.
- introduced a policy of “one hour, tools down” that has helped it retain a reasonable number of volunteers for work sessions; and
- in face of the longer dry periods, is constantly reviewing approaches to plant selection, soil improvement and watering in collaboration with Canning environment staff.

In a tribute to CRREPA at its 30th birthday celebration at the Canning River Eco Education Centre on 31 May, long-serving City of Canning environment officer and manager, Mary Ross, said the Shelley-Rossmoyne foreshore comprised many edges in a very narrow space, “the moving tidal water edge, the hard fixed road edge, a fence which limits parking, the path (both sides), the turf areas and the precious sliver of remnant and restored vegetation. It is that sliver which gives the place much of its character, helps reduce erosion, shades walkers, supports fauna, provides a native corridor and so many other benefits. All those edges aid the incursion into the very narrow remnant and restored areas by people, dogs, boats, weeds, litter and so on and on. Apart from funding, it takes a continuing input of time, effort, commitment and care to tip the imbalance enough to protect, restore and support the ‘precious sliver’, way beyond what a local authority could provide.”

Stephen Johnston, *Canning River Residents Environment Protection Association*





Healthy coastal heath - who needs a boardwalk?
(Photo: Friends of Trigg Facebook page)

Friends of Trigg Beach: When saying NO twice is not enough!

In 2005 and 2013, the Stirling Council voted against proposals to build a boardwalk through Quindalup dunes between Scarborough and Trigg Beach. This remnant 13.37ha coastal dune system is approximately 1km long consisting of vegetated dunes up to 12m high with deep swales proving habitat for birds and reptiles. It contains a Threatened Ecological Community of Rottneet Is Pines connected to a rare stand in the adjacent Trigg Bushland.

This coastal reserve is the South Trigg Beach Class A Reserve No 46248 Bush Forever Area 308, it is Sector 6 of the Trigg Bushland Reserve and, ironically, is vested in the City of Stirling for its management and protection.

Early in 2024 without any regard to past failures or environmental concerns, a new Coastal Ward Councillor initiated a boardwalk workshop for Councillors only, which resulted in an allocation of \$500,000 for a “feasibility study” for a boardwalk through the coastal reserve.

The Friends of Trigg Beach and the Friends of Trigg Bushland are now faced with another campaign to protect this regionally important narrow strip of remnant vegetated Quindalup dunes from a damaging 2-3 metre wide over 1km long boardwalk.

We know that the construction of a boardwalk (with lookouts) would necessitate clearing of native vegetation during construction (previous estimates of needing around 100 footings), for maintenance and emergency services access, rubbish, weeds, lighting, fire and uncontrolled public and animal access. In recognition of the importance of protecting the coastal foreshore, the City of Stirling adopted a Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Plan 2023 policy of Avoidance of development in any undeveloped coastal areas including this one, due to the inevitability of erosion and inundation due to storm surges and rising sea levels.

The Stirling Mayor Mark Irwin claims an environmentally sensitive boardwalk is possible – it is not. The Quindalup sand dunes in Bush Forever Area 308 have been studied by internationally recognised geomorphologist Professor Vic Semeniuk who confirmed the importance of this coastal dune system as being of State-wide significance, with a distinct system of vegetation assemblages in response to ridges and depressions of the topography. It would not survive a structure such as a boardwalk.

The City of Stirling is asking for feedback in a survey open to residents and non-residents alike: **Feels like Scarborough**. Please let the City know that you support the preservation of South Trigg Reserve for future generations. The survey closes 31st July.

If you would like to assist in our campaign to stop the boardwalk please follow our **Facebook page** or contact us:

friendsoftriggbeach@gmail.com or 0409886985.

Robyn Murphy, *Convenor Friends of Trigg Beach*





Parrot Bush at Iluka (photo: Don Poynton)

Friends of North Ocean Reef-Iluka Foreshore

In the northern end of Bush Forever 325 at Iluka, it was the mature Parrot bush (*Banksia sessilis*) bushes that were most impacted by the warm dry summer-autumn weather. As the seeds of Parrot bush are a staple food for the endangered Carnaby's black cockatoo, their loss puts even more pressure on the species' survival. Consequently, our first planting this year was 34 new Parrot bush seedlings along the path where mature shrubs had died. Hopefully, the Carnaby's can survive until the bushes begin to flower and produce seeds in about 3-4 years.

In the meantime, the seedlings are also being used as a trial for a product called Treerings©. The photos show a ring which is made of locally sourced re-purposed organic materials impregnated with fertiliser, surrounding a newly planted seedling. The ring will breakdown over the next year releasing fertiliser and water directly to the plant.

In June 2024 **Friends of North Ocean Reef -Iluka Foreshore** (FONORIF) commenced two trials. The first trial consists of 30 parrot bush (*Banksia sessilis*) seedlings, half of which were planted with Treerings but no added fertiliser.

The second trial involves spinifex planted on the foredune. Twenty plants of *S. hirsutus* and 20 plants of *S. longifolius* were planted with Treerings and another 20 of each species were fertilised with a mix of urea and slow-release plant food. In both trials, each plant was watered with two litres of water containing a soil wetting agent. The height of each plant was measured after planting and will be remeasured in a couple of months to compare growth rates. The trials are a collaboration between FONORIF and WA environmental company, Urban Conserve.



Spinifex with (centre) and without Treering



Parrot Bush with Treering

Learn how to use iNaturalist and why you should!

[Register here](#)

Wednesday 31 July from 6:00 pm

Two users of iNaturalist, **Patrick Wake** from Quinns Rock Environmental Group and **Lydia Fenu** from the UBC Committee and Wildflower Society WA (Armadale Branch), come together to show you their experiences with the app and to teach you how to use it. You can help protect your patch by recording its biodiversity and then promoting that to the public and your land managers. It is a tool to find and document what species occur in your area. You can record all living species in your area, as long as you can get a photo of it. If you've ever wondered how to get set up - this is your opportunity!

And if you can't get to West Perth, email ubc@bushlandperth.org.au and request a Zoom link.

Craigie Bushland Walk

9:00 am Thursday 12 September at Craigie Bushland

The next UBC Walk will be a tour of Craigie Bushland hosted by the City of Joondalup. Our hosts will showcase the natural area management, vegetation health and Quenda monitoring within the feral proof fenced area. This area has shown amazing resilience through the very hot and dry summer and autumn. Look out for registration details to come.

Watch out for
booking details for
other events on
UBC Facebook and
the **UBC website**

Call for volunteers and roles needed, use specialist skills

Do you have a few hours per month to be a UBC volunteer? Flexible hours, working with like-minded people passionate about conservation. Several roles in communicating conservation messages to our followers.

- Newsletter editor for the Urban Bush Telegraph – looking for experience with Canva or similar; skilled in writing for a lay audience and happy to wrangle items from contributors
- Facebook admin – an extra admin to share the load. Experienced with Facebook
- Instagram admin – to kickstart our Insta presence. Experienced with Instagram

PRESENTATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Campaigning with the Friends of Erindale Road Bushland

We now have Marie and Sonya's outstanding **presentation on Saving Erindale Road Bushland** on our website. Admire the sustained advocacy shown by Marie Giorgi and Sonya Elek in their campaign to save an important remnant Banksia woodland in Hamersley. They face a familiar story – their local bushland is proposed to be replaced by housing development – TECs are seemingly not exempt, significant and highly sought after Banksia and Tuart woodland, habitat areas for the threatened Carnaby Cockatoos and other local native fauna.

Limestone Karst Ecosystems and Honeymyrtle Shrubland Symposium

You can now find most of the **presentations from our March symposium here**. There is a richness of information included here that we hope will help you know and understand your patch if you have some of this very precious threatened ecological community. Thank you once again to our speakers: Iva Hayward Jackson, Ken McNamara, Will Stock, Hans Lambers, Greg & Bronwen Keighery, Kingsley Dixon, Michael Just, Cate Tauss, Sue Conlan, Robyn Colledge and Eddy Wajon.

Contact UBC



City West Lotteries House,
2 Delhi Street West Perth 6005



www.bushlandperth.org.au



9420 7207



UrbanBushlandCouncil



ubc@bushlandperth.org.au



@UrbanBushlandWA

Join Up or Renew Membership

Groups

Membership with voting rights is available to groups committed to the protection of urban bushland for \$60 a year (GST included). A growing membership strengthens the cause and groups benefit from the network.

Individuals

Supporter membership is only \$50 per year (GST included). Supporters can attend meetings and receive electronic copies of the “Urban Bush Telegraph”.

To join as a new member please visit our **website members area**.

Alternatively send your name, address and cheque to: Treasurer, Urban Bushland Council WA Inc, City West Lotteries House, 2 Delhi West Perth WA 6005

Renewals

You should have received a New Year’s Day email with details of how to renew your membership.

Contribute to this Newsletter

We need your new content for the Urban Bush Telegraph. Send us your feature article of less than 600 words or Group News item of interest to the broader UBC audience (around 400 words) along with your original photos to:

ubc@bushlandperth.org.au

Copy deadline for the Spring issue – **18th October 2024**