

OPTIONAL PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**Thursday 12th August 2010**

9.00 am - 4.00 pm **Workshop-Dr Lucy Sutherland**
Plant stories – inspiring people about Queensland plants
Where: Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens
Cost: \$80 (includes morning tea and lunch)

Discover effective strategies for creating stories about Queensland plants to inspire people about your botanic garden's living collection. This workshop is designed for people whose work involves a visitor services role including guiding, interpretation and education.

Many of Queensland's regional botanic gardens specialise in local flora and these collections are rich with stories to engage their community and tourists.

This workshop will help you:

- To research and build story based presentations
- Expand your plant stories
- Add colour to your presentations
- Engage and motivate audiences

Bookings contact: Merylyn Haigh, Visitor Services Officer, Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens,
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Dr Lucy Sutherland is passionate about botanic gardens and started her career working in Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens and later worked for Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI). While with BGCI, Lucy collaborated with botanic garden educators throughout the world to share ideas about innovative ways to connect people with plants, including through community linkages and partnerships. Lucy has taught on both the International Diploma for Botanic Garden Education and the International Diploma for Botanic Garden Management at the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew and trained botanic garden staff in Morocco, Tunisia, Poland, China and Mexico

9.00 am -12.00pm

Herbarium Workshop -
Where - Tondoon Botanic Gardens - No Cost

Tondoon's very experienced Herbarium Volunteers will hold a workshop on selecting, pressing, mounting and recording specimens for a regional botanic garden.

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4pm onwards **Welcome and Registration - CQ University**

5pm-7pm Welcome - MEET AND GREET EVENING at CQ University

Friday 13th August

CQ University

8.30-9.15 Keynote speaker - Dr Lucy Sutherland, Assistant Director (Policy & Strategic Planning) Australian National Botanic Gardens
"Community Partnerships - are they worth the effort?"

9.15-9.30 Tracey Smith Professional Artist - *"Creating Community through Creativity"*

9.30-9.45 Lindsay Boyd, Conservation Officer, Gladstone Regional Council
"Gladstone Regional Council - Natural Resource Management and the Local Community"

9.45-10.15 Morning Tea

10.15-10.45 David Kopelke, Principal, Boyne Island Environmental Education Centre- *"The Sound of Children: How Children can develop effective partnerships"*

10.45-11.15 Luis Arroyo-Serrano, Multicultural Community Relations Officer, Gladstone Regional Council, *"Creating space for projects and Community driven initiatives"*

11.15-11.45 Dr Shirley Zipperlen- Senior Program Co-ordinator - Natural Areas, Environmental Operations, Sunshine Coast Regional Council *"A Tale of Two Reserves - Community Partnerships on the Sunshine Coast"*

11.45-12.15 Meryllyn Haigh- Visitor Services Officer, Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens, Gladstone Regional Council, *"Sustaining Botanic Gardens for Life"*

12.15-12.30 Dianna Paddick - Cultural Projects Officer, Gladstone Art Gallery & Museum, Gladstone Regional Council, *"Partnering with the Arts"*.

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-2.30 Botanic Gardens Updates-10 min each - Opportunity for informal discussions

2.30-3.00 Bus Delegates to Tondoon

3.00-3.30 Afternoon Tea

3.30-5.30 Tondoon Botanic Gardens Tour
Including Tondoon Botanic Gardens Storybook Launch

5.30 BBQ Dinner at Tondoon

Saturday 14th August

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8.30-9.00 Dale Arvidsson - Curator, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens - Botanic Gardens, *"Getting the message through, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens experiences with attracting community involvement and maintaining relevance"*.

9.00-9.30 David Warmington-Cairns Botanic Gardens - *"Far North Connections"*

9.30-10.00 Alicia Wain- Principal Ecologist - Santos *"A collaborative approach to threatened species cultivation"*

10.00-10.30 Morning Tea

10.30-10.45 John Fraser and Patrick Riley - Friends of Visitor Services Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens *"Volunteer to improve quality of life"*

10.45-11.15 Sarah Steel - Biodiversity Officer - Boyne/Calliope Sub Region Fitzroy Basin Association, *"A Tangled Web: how we can better link communities, conservation and development"*

11.15-11.45 Greg Abbotts - Operations Manager - Technical, Parks & City Maintenance, Rockhampton Regional Council, *"Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo a Symbiotic relationship"*.

11.45-12.30 Kate Heffernan - Botanic Gardens Consultant Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens, *"SMART Gardener Volunteers"* a programme initiated by the Australian Centre for Lifestyle Horticulture

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-2.00 BG Updates

2.00-2.30 Brent Braddick, Curator, Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens - Closing Speaker *"Community Partnerships & Linkages an overview"*

2.30-3.00 Afternoon Tea

3.00-4.30 Plant Database Workshop - Chaired by Laurie Smith AM Landscape Architect

4.30-5.00 BGANZO Meeting
6.30pm Conference Dinner

Sunday 15th August

Fieldtrip - Turkey Beach - Visiting Coastal Communities
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