

## KBCB website

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### KBCN News

Hello fellow supporters of the Kedron Brook Catchment Network. Here we are in late June already, and it seems just yesterday that we sent an update out to you all. Our reply rate wasn't too bad with approximately only ¼ of email addresses being obsolete. Please keep us up to date of email changes etc. via the enquiry email address on the web site. We don't want you to miss out on anything exciting!

News

The 18<sup>th</sup> was the Annual General Meeting for the KBCB. Apart from providing an update to our supporters who attended, the main task of the night was to select the committee members for 2013-2014. The good news is, Robert Standish-White was re-elected as President, Philip Rowland was re-elected as Vice-President, Lennert Veerman was unopposed to be the Treasurer again and yours truly has taken on the role of Secretary. The committee is still open for other members/supporters who would like to join us so feel free to email [membership@kedronbrook.org.au](mailto:membership@kedronbrook.org.au)

After the officialdom was completed, Barry Jahnke, a volunteer from the Society for Growing Australian Plants, joined attendees in a lively discussion on the best plants for the Kedron Brook and our own backyards. Thank you Barry!

Our shipping container is looking pretty awesome! You might recall in the last update we commissioned Alan Scheepers, a street artist from [Streetartsales.com.au](http://Streetartsales.com.au) to cover the container in artwork. This is now complete and 3 out of the 4 sides have wildlife pertinent to Sparkes Hill painted on them. We are very happy with the finished work and you are welcome to view it at any time. Hopefully we'll be able to hold a mini celebration and 'christen' the artwork with the painter at a later date.

The fish snap shots are over for another year and now it is a matter of collating all the data. If you'd like to help out with data entry on an Excel spreadsheet or the like, feel free to contact us via the enquiry line [http://www.kedronbrook.org.au/contact\\_us.php#email](http://www.kedronbrook.org.au/contact_us.php#email)

Recently the monthly bird walk was done at Wahminda Road, Ferny Grove on fairly damp ground. Luckily it didn't rain and whilst it was quite cloudy the bird count was strong – over 50 species identified. The next event is scheduled for 7<sup>th</sup> July at Cedar Creek, Hogarth Road. Everyone is welcome. See web site for details <http://www.kedronbrook.org.au/index.php>.

As mentioned in the April newsletter, KBCN branch is going to be working to improve the habitat for the green space at Camoola Street, Keperra. A community planting day is planned for 13<sup>th</sup> July. It will be a grand day out with helpers from KBCN, the local community and Men of the Trees. Annie Morris is the point of contact at the site and is busy working with advertisers, printers and so on to promote the day. Annie will need assistance with a letter drop for the flyers so if you're in the mood for a bit of exercise please contact us and we will pass onto Annie. Keep an eye on the

› site for further news

([http://www.kedronbrook.org.au/projects\\_funding/camoola\\_st\\_park\\_project.php](http://www.kedronbrook.org.au/projects_funding/camoola_st_park_project.php)).

The committee recently met with Mark Creighton who is a consultant providing guidance and assistance to community groups sponsored by the Brisbane City Council. It was a very productive evening and Mark will return with proposals to the committee on strategic planning and development for the group's consideration.

Planning is yet to commence for working with the Keperra Golf Club as we are awaiting funding.

For your diaries, the next Catchment Network supporters meeting will be 20<sup>th</sup> August and Jacinta Hamilton will be the guest speaker, giving attendees the low down on koalas.

### **Other news of interest**

No doubt you've seen in the papers or heard on the news the changes the State Government is proposing for National Park usage and changes to the Nature Conservation Act. Check out the WPSQ web site (<http://www.wildlife.org.au/news/2013/nationalparksgrazing2.html>) for more information and if you have any concerns about their proposals then write to the Premier or your local member. It is easy to feel helpless and believe it is all out of one's control but doing nothing will definitely make no difference. People power does work sometimes and the more letters a government receives from dissatisfied constituents the more chance they will actually listen.

The new City Plan is also up for public review and comment. We strongly urge supporters to attend one of the information sessions or read the document available from the Council web site [www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/newcityplan](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/newcityplan).

Mangrove Watch has recommenced and interested volunteers can hop on a boat this time to conduct the survey. For more information here's the link to the website:

<http://www.mangrovetwatch.org.au>

Did you get to Green Heart Fair held at 7<sup>th</sup> Brigade Park on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June? A free event run by the Brisbane City Council it showcases community groups and sustainable industries to the general public. Though we didn't have a stand the event was well attended and it was heartening to see the number of people out there interested in keeping our beautiful planet beautiful. If you missed out don't worry it's an annual event!