



WALK WITH WILDLIFE

ELANORA WETLANDS SURVEYS FACT SHEET

BACKGROUND

Elanora Wetlands Survey Walks are coordinated by Gecko's Walk with Wildlife (WwW) team. For more information on WwW, see the WwW General Surveys Fact Sheet.

Elanora Wetlands habitat is a reserve owned by the Gold Coast City Council. It is a horseshoe-shaped piece of land surrounded by the Elanora Water Treatment Works and Tallebudgera Creek. The total area of the "peninsula" is approximately 20 hectares with the treatment works occupying about 1/3 of this area. The WwW team monitors the birdlife in the greater area, with up to 60 different species of birds being observed during a survey. Also seen in the area are butterflies, native sugar gliders, and various other species.

Everyone is welcome to participate in the survey walk activities. A responsible adult must accompany all children. There are no joining fees.

Note: If you have another site fairly close to Elanora Wetlands habitat you would like surveyed, please let us know and one of the visits to Elanora Wetlands may be substituted with a survey of the area you have suggested.

AIM

The aim of the group is to monitor changes in flora and fauna habitats and populations in the Elanora Wetlands area in order to try to prevent problems arising and enable planning for future activities.

WHEN DO WE MEET?

Fortnightly on a Tuesday morning. From January to March, and September to December, the starting time is 7am. From April to August, the starting time is 7.30 am. After approximately 1-2 hours activity, each session concludes with a BYO morning tea.

For the exact dates for the survey walks, please see Gecko's monthly newsletter.

LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS

From the Gold Coast Highway, Palm Beach, enter Tallebudgera Drive and proceed west. At the end of Tallebudgera Drive, turn right into the bitumen lane and then left under the Pacific Motorway. You will then be directly facing the entrance to Elanora Wetlands.

WHAT TO BRING

Suitable shoes for walking on uneven ground, a hat, sunscreen and plenty of water. BYO for morning tea. Notepad and pen to make notes of sightings.

MORE INFORMATION

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