



Guest Speaker

George Lewis

Production Editor of Gold Coast Birdwatchers' magazine

Birds of the Currumbin Estuary

Gecko's next Guest Speaker night is Wednesday June 22nd, and our speaker is George Lewis, who will show the audience photos of the fantastic birds around Currumbin Estuary, and the best places to spot them.

The talk will enrich the experience of walking the track through Tarrabora Reserve, where the creek forms a lagoon, and the adjoining Beree Badalla Reserve boardwalk. Both areas were saved from a proposed resort and marina development by community action in 1979.

According to the Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC), Currumbin Estuary has high Ecological Value for both human use and ecosystem values. Mangrove and saltbush wetlands provide habitat for bream, estuary cod, flathead, garfish, mangrove jack, sea mullet, tailor, whiting, mud and sand crabs, attracting fish hungry humans and birds alike. It's considered unique as the only example of natural marine vegetation left in the area.

George, who regularly visits the shores of the estuary, is an avid lifelong birdwatcher. As well as being a talented photographer, he is Production Editor of the annual Gold Coast Birdwatchers' magazine and will be displaying many high quality photos from the magazine. George is also a published author and hopes to have his latest publication out in time to show us.

Join us on Wednesday 22nd of June, upstairs at Gecko House, 139 Duringan St, Currumbin for drinks and snacks from 6:30pm, then George's presentation from 7 to 8. BYO questions!

Wednesday 22nd June, 2011 | Gecko House
6.30–8pm | 139 Duringan St, Currumbin

All are welcome to this free* presentation

Gecko presents a free guest speaker night on the 4th Wednesday of each month on topical environmental issues. For catering purposes and to prevent waste, RSVP by 3pm on the day before the event to speakers@gecko.org.au or call 5534 1412. For more information, visit www.gecko.org.au/guest-speaker

*A gold coin donation is requested per glass of wine and nibbles. Alternatively, Gecko encourages the contribution of vegetarian/organic/environmentally-thoughtful food options at all of its events.

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