

## *Platinum Gecko Recipient 2011*

Dr Geoffrey and Mrs Shirley Miller	For their outstanding generosity and long-term commitment in purchasing, nurturing and protecting 200 hectares of very special and environmentally significant land in Springbrook, "Ankida". This property has been donated to the Australian Rainforest Conservation Society to ensure the enduring protection of its environmental values.
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## *Gold Gecko Recipients 2011*

Andrew Barr-David and Bianca Browning	For their devotion to the restoration of degraded habitats in the Springbrook area, particularly riparian zones and for their spirited participation and measures to protect the world heritage values of Springbrook.
Currumbin Wildlife Hospital staff and volunteers	For the untiring efforts by the dedicated staff and volunteers in the care and rehabilitation of injured native wildlife. This work is further supported by their fundraising activities and education provided to the community.
Jeannie Fletcher	For her many years of enthusiastic participation in bushcare activities on the Gold Coast particularly at Elanora Wetlands and Nicoll Scrub.
Trish Hales	For outstanding contribution over the past 10 years as a volunteer with Wildcare Australia including providing wildlife related advice and coordinating the rescue of sick and injured wildlife. As well as handling many hours of emergency phone calls, she is an integral part of the organisation and plays a crucial role as an active committee member.
Richard Murray	In recognition of his leadership and perseverance in achieving positive environmental outcomes for the Tweed Shire and Southern Gold Coast, particularly in the areas of water supply, healthy rivers, conservation of koalas and sustainability of the urban environment. He has demonstrated a consistently high level of commitment in his advocacy for the natural environment through thorough research and great networking skills over many years of endeavor.
Gene Rosser	For her years of service to Wildlife Preservation Society Queensland and for the donation of land that now forms the Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens - Rosser Park for the enjoyment of our native flora.
Louise Saunders	For her outstanding dedication to the protection of bats in QLD through education, lobbying and fieldwork. She has been resolute in speaking for these fascinating native animals, in the face of public misinformation.
Sheila Tierney	For her long-term commitment to the successful administration of many of Gecko's interaction with the public including office reception, accurate record keeping of members and volunteers and ensuring efficient and effective communication.
Roy Webster	For his dedication and compassion for native wildlife demonstrated through his tireless service to Wildcare Australia.
Trish Wimberley	For her devotion to the care and rehabilitation of native wildlife, especially flying fox care and advocacy.

## Silver Gecko Recipients 2011

Ceris Ash	For her devotion to the protection of the World Heritage values of Springbrook and the National Park. She is the founder of the Springbrook Wildlife Appreciation Group which educates and engages with the local community.
Naomi Edwards	For her long-term commitment to community based dune care on the Gold Coast.
Adam Feichtmann	In recognition of long term commitment to the CARE (conservation, activism, research and education) of the Gold Coast's beaches, ocean and its waves.
Lynne Hargreaves	For her exceptional diligence and enthusiasm for Gecko's many activities and her willingness to take on various roles. In particular her wonderful effort in restoring the Megan Cope mural outside Gecko House is to be commended.
Jennifer Hayes	For her tireless dedication to the welfare of Australia's koalas and in particular the protection of their habitat in the Gold Coast / New South Wales border region.
Anna Itkonen	In recognition of her commitment to the Gecko Board, Grants and Events committee demonstrating an unstinting reliability and willingness to help with Gecko activities. Also in appreciation of her calm, professional approach to the organisation of Gecko's events to showcase Gecko as a positive force for the conservation of the natural environment and sustainability of the urban environment. Her warm approach to the supervision and support of many volunteers over the years is much appreciated by all at Gecko.
Ole Lyngsted	For playing a leading role in the Tweed Heads Environment Group and driving campaigns to protect the environment values of the Cobaki Broadwater and Tweed River Catchment. He is also an active participant in Gecko Campaigns meetings.
Mudgeeraba Creek State School	For developing and nurturing a strong environmental culture within the whole school community and undertaking and overseeing such long-term projects as revegetating parts of Springbrook Road, developing a rainforest garden within school grounds and organising a series of environmental workshops.
Jasmine Rasmussen	For her outstanding initiative in tackling fundraising activities for Wildcare including the innovative "Walk for Wildlife" and for sharing her enthusiasm for the natural world with others.
Jacqui Stewart	For her assistance in GeckoEd in all its projects and with communications. She is always helpful, cheerful and reliable in all her activities at Gecko.
Windaroo Valley State High School	For their on-going work in the development of a native forest which provides a wildlife sanctuary for koalas and parrots on school grounds.

## Certificate of Appreciation Recipients 2011

Annerose Albert	For her enthusiastic contributions to many areas of Gecko's operations including communications, policy making, environmental campaigns and Gecko Educators.
Kent Bayley	For playing a leading a role in our Gecko's Communications Team and providing valuable input into improvements in both external and internal communications.
Matthew Beggs	For consistently displaying a helpful, responsible and respectful attitude to all ar his school and for participating with enthusiasm in work experience projects.
Lesley Cains	For her care and concern and enormous efforts on behalf of the wildlife of Springbrook. As Secretary of the Springbrook Wildlife Appreciation Group, Lesley campaigns, through letters, articles and photography, for greater protection of World Heritage Listed Springbrook National Park and its surrounds.
Adrienne Dowd	In recognition of her contributions from 1989 to the establishment of Gecko and in particular in the setting up and maintenance of the resource / library centre and research of Gecko's history.
Simone Gillespie	For her enthusiastic approach to the role of Gecko Treasurer and to ensuring the highest level of professionalism within the organisation.
R.T "Snow" Hall	For his dedication and hard work in maintaining and improving Gecko's gardens and grounds.
Greg Hildred	For editorial duties to WQGH&H, maintenance work of the Society's headquarters and other unstinting assistance.
Ken Joblin	For his assistance and very helpful disposition in assisting with various Gecko events and activities.
Sonja Maus	For her outstanding contribution in the field of environmentally conscious fashion over the past years. She has raised awareness on sustainable lifestyle choices through her own environmentally-friendly fashion label No Formula as well as through countless fashion focused events.
Julia Mersmann	For her effort, hard work and happy disposition in assisting with coordination of Green Day Out 2011, specifically in exhibitor coordination.
Gabrielle Newport	In recognition of her reliable assistance with GeckoEd and the media clipping service and willingness to being an ongoing contributor to Gecko.
Kristin Nilsson	For her enthusiasm, dedication and initiative in assisting with several aspects of coordinating the Green Day Out 2011 festival.
Ben Sutherland	For selflessly helping with Wildlife Queensland's State Conference and many other branch activities.

Ahri Tallon	For his role in developing youth involvement in the Australian Youth Climate Coalition throughout Queensland and establishing a group on the Gold Coast.
David Taylor	For the high-level of professionalism and business expertise he applied to the Schuster Park project as well as to other areas of Gecko's management and administration.
Cheryl Vandulen	For her valuable assistance in the development and delivery of Gecko's educational programs and for her volunteering in office administration.
Ron Wildermoth	For his active participation in BeachCare activities along the Gold Coast and for facilitating the successful delivery of many related projects.
Kate Wood	For her dedication and effort in assisting with Green Day Out 2011.
David Wyatt	In recognition of his thoughtful contributions over the past year to the Gecko Board, Communications Sub-Committee and Transition Town initiative and in appreciation of his ready willingness to lend a hand at Gecko events.