



Media Release

Friday 11th November 2011

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

KRIS BOODY

Gold Coast City Council Catchment Liaison Officer

Habitat Conservation Using Adaptive Environmental Management

Gecko's next guest speaker night is on Wednesday 23rd November and we welcome Gold Coast City Council Catchment Liaison officer, Kris Boody to discuss the conservation of Australian catchment habitats using adaptive environmental management.

Kris has worked extensively in natural resources, catchment and coastal management, and since moving to the Gold Coast in 2009, has focused his energy on supporting a number of community catchment management groups.

What a great opportunity to find out how our aquatic systems are evaluated and how adaptive environmental management techniques have helped improve habitat conservation, policy, and on the ground design, as Kris shares from his background in investigative environmental science.

Kris will offer some interesting facts from his studies and experience in catchment management - about coastal processes, nutrient movement within waterways, our understanding of ecosystem functions, fisheries, and the biodiversity of flora and fauna throughout South East Queensland and beyond.

Through his work Kris has been honoured to have the opportunity to increase habitat viability and retain natural system functions within our aquatic environment and he strongly believes in sharing this knowledge through education.

It promises to be an interesting evening, with plenty of opportunity to ask questions about the current health of our local waterways and to find out how you can get involved in caring for our catchments.

Join us on Wednesday 23rd November, upstairs at Gecko House, 139 Duringan St, Currumbin for drinks and snacks from 6:30pm, then Kris's presentation from 7 to 8. BYO questions.

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 <http://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.

ENDS

Information for media:

Guest Speaker	Kris Boody	P: 07 5581 6236	E: kboody@goldcoast.qld.gov.au
Gecko President	Lois Levy	P: 0412 724 222	E: loislevy@bigpond.com