

Tarrabora bushcare group

BACKGROUND Tarrabora Reserve stands as a testimony to the determination of the Gold Coast community to unite to protect and nurture our precious natural environment. It is a special place for the community because of its history and its unique leafy beach setting.



BACKGROUND (cont.) In 1979, the community stood up to powerful commercial interests and the Bjelke-Petersen government to save Tarrabora and the adjoining Beree-Bedalla mangrove reserve from privatisation and development into another high-rise hotel and marina. Following their win, the community assisted with the revegetation of the site.

Today, Tarrabora is reserved in perpetuity for public recreation and conservation and remains one of the few natural low-lying predominantly open forest areas fringing a popular beach.

2010 marks the 30th anniversary of the declaration of Tarrabora – Kombumburri for Islands in the Creek - as a Reserve.

Tarrabora continues to be protected by the community under the stewardship of The Tarrabora Bush Care Group, established in 1997, as a partnership between the local community, Gecko, Friends of Currumbin, and the Gold Coast City Council.

Since then, the small team of volunteers has made great progress and saved the much-loved but neglected reserve from weed infestation. Today the site is becoming increasingly bio-diverse.

The history of Tarrabora Reserve continues to be made and everyone is invited to participate in the conservation and future of this delightful refuge.

Be a part of Gold Coast history, be a part of its future – join the Tarrabora Bush Care Group.

AIM To conserve and nurture a lowland coastal bush area, and to provide a passive, natural, recreational sanctuary by the beach for the community.

WHEN DO WE MEET? The Tarrabora Bush Care Group meets at 8am on the second Saturday of the month (except December and January) and welcomes volunteers and visitors alike! The group meets near the toilet block to the right of the children's playground. There is a friendly camaraderie and participants learn about the flora and fauna, and bush regeneration techniques, while enjoying the beauty of the reserve. Volunteers experience the satisfaction of knowing their efforts are essential to the protection of this unique Gold Coast reserve.

LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS Tarrabora is a small vegetated area on the north bank of Currumbin Estuary bounded by the creek, the Gold Coast Highway and the Palm Beach Parklands.

WHAT TO BRING Bring a pair of gloves (or they will be provided), good shoes, a hat, sunscreen and your own drinking water.



MORE INFORMATION

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