

Gecko Talks Guest Speaker Program

Adventures of a Snake Wrangler

Speaker: Sam Howard
Wild Encounters

What happens when you find a big snake in your garden?

And what about those strange noises in your roof at night?

Could that be a visiting possum? Who do you call?

Come along to Gecko Environment Council's Guest Speaker Night this month to hear experienced environmental scientist Sam Howard from Wild Encounters talk to you about his close encounters with both furry and scaly wildlife who visit our gardens. Animals can be safely captured and returned to a suitable habitat by a trained expert like Sam, providing the best outcome for both the beautiful but uninvited animal guest and its reluctant host.

Sam, a licensed snake catcher and spotter-catcher, will tell us many interesting facts about our native wildlife as well as the work he does to ensure wildlife are not harmed during land clearing and development, and how fauna management strategies; fauna protection measures; and/or fauna relocation methods are carried out before, during and after vegetation clearing works. Sadly, more and more animals are displaced as the Gold Coast City grows, and Sam will outline some ways in which individuals and homeowners near construction sites can play a helpful role. Protecting wildlife habitat remains the key to ensuring our amazing biodiversity survives the pressures of land clearing, road-building and climate change.

Sam will also be bringing along a specimen from his licensed educational display for us to appreciate.

For more information on Sam Howard prior to this event please visit his website at:
<https://www.wildencounters.com.au>

All are welcome to this free event.

Details: Currumbin RSL, Currumbin Creek Road, Currumbin

Date: 28 June, 2017

Time: 6:45 pm for 7:00 start.

Why not come along earlier and enjoy a meal at the RSL?

RSVP important to ensure you have a seat as places are limited. Please contact office@gecko.org.au or telephone 5534 9834 to confirm your attendance.