



# Newsletter for Landcare and Dunecare in Byron Shire



<http://www.brunswickvalleylandcare.org.au/>

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The spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) is having a huge impact on the way we live at the moment, Landcare is no exception.

The health and wellbeing of our staff, volunteers, and the community we interact with are our priority.

Based on advice and direction from government and public health experts, we are putting measures in place to minimise the exposure to the virus while ensuring our work can continue.

This has already resulted in some cancellations of events and workshops. The Land for Wildlife Conference in Coffs Harbour next week has been cancelled as has the Landcare NSW state gathering in Dubbo in May. Also many of the events advertised in our past newsletters have now been postponed so please check with the organisations.

We are monitoring the situation and will make decisions on local events based on the advice available. We will keep you all up to date via the newsletter, email and our social media pages and apologise for not being able to deliver the events that were planned for the coming months.

Alison and Rochelle will continue to work, however work hours and days may be affected given the prospect of schools being closed and them both having to work from home. The situation is changing rapidly, and we don't know how long these changes will need to be in place, so please be patient as we all adjust.

Please stay safe and look after each other.

In the meantime, I have been doing some research on things to keep myself and the kids busy and sane during the time that we might need to be isolated at home, I thought I would share some of these.

## Go out in your back yard and see what you can find:



Find out what **birds** are in your garden and record your findings in [Birds in Backyards survey](#)



Find out what **frogs** are in your garden and submit the sound recordings [FrogID](#)



What **insect** is that [What Insect is That](#)



Find out what **animals** are in your backyard download the Field Guide to NSW Fauna App

<https://apps.apple.com/app/field-guide-to-nsw-fauna>

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.gov.austmus.fieldguide&hl=en\\_AU](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.gov.austmus.fieldguide&hl=en_AU)

Back Yard Buddies is a great resource <https://www.backyardbuddies.org.au/explore-backyard-buddies>

Get the kids to take some **photos** of what you find and submit them to Costa at Junior Landcare with a chance to win one of ten \$250 cameras [junior landcare](#)  
**Junior Landcare** also has a range of **learning activities** for children of all ages  
<https://juniorlandcare.org.au/learningcentre/>



## Build some nest boxes

<http://www.birdsinbackyards.net/Nest-Box-Plans>

<https://www.wires.org.au/wildlife-info/wildlife-factsheets/Wildlife-Nest-Boxes-LLS.pdf>





## Build a bee hotel

<https://www.australiannativebee.com/2019/03/20/how-to-make-a-bee-hotel/>

<https://www.aussiebee.com.au/bee-hotel-introduction.html>

<https://www.abc.net.au/life/how-to-make-a-bee-hotel/11492162>

## Reading

As the libraries are now closed here's a great article with 11 places you can **download free books** including educational text books <https://mashable.com/article/free-ebooks/> also a number of online bookshops are offering free delivery.

## Or read about what some cutting edge science

The Royal Botanic Garden Sydney has information about their research and on their collections

<https://www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/Science/> and you can also watch the past seminars by guest speakers

<https://www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/Science/Botanic-Gardens-Science-Seminar-Series>

Royal Botanic Gardens Kew has a great read and watch page <https://www.kew.org/read-and-watch>

## Listening

Learn something new via **science podcasts**

Article that outlines 12 of the best science pod casts <https://medium.com/scout-fm/the-best-science-podcasts-reviewed-for-science-and-nerdy-enjoyment-449a4bd56e2e>

[Talking Science](#) An inspiring new series of interviews with some of the big stars of science. Podcast the likes of Tim Flannery, Bill Bryson and Andy Thomas speaking with ABC Science luminaries. Their answers will surprise you. [https://www.abc.net.au/science/podcast/talkingscience/talkingscience\\_rss.xml](https://www.abc.net.au/science/podcast/talkingscience/talkingscience_rss.xml)

Also the BBC has some great ones including Professor Brian Cox's Infinite Monkey Cage and 30 animals that make us smarter (which is great for the kids) <https://www.sciencefocus.com/science/best-bbc-science-podcasts/>

## Science

**Skype a scientist** <https://www.skypeascientist.com>

## Take part in some citizen science from your sofa

[The DigiVol Project](#) – started by the [Australian Museum](#) and the [Atlas of Living Australia](#) – has been determined to digitise vast natural history collections with the help of volunteers. From transcribing museum and herbarium collection labels to the field notebooks of early explorers, ecologists and surveyors, DigiVol volunteers get incredible access to these treasures.

<https://www.australiangeographic.com.au/topics/science-environment/2020/03/bored-at-home-trawl-through-australias-natural-history-collections-from-your-couch/>

## Take a virtual tour through some of the words best national parks

<https://totallythebomb.com/heres-33-national-park-tours-you-can-take-virtually-from-the-comfort-of-your-home>

## Take a virtual tour through some of the worlds best museums and galleries

<https://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours>

## Share a laugh with friends and family

Also don't forget that humour is a great way to connect with others who may be home on their own and let off steam when you're really upset or anxious. So why not share a funny animal video with friends and family. One of my favourites at the moment – wombat in a washing machine - you have to watch the [Sleepy Burrows Wombat Sanctuary video](#) 😊



## CHARITABLE DONATIONS

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## Some Good News

After considerable work BVL is pleased to announce the Federal Government has recently accepted our application to the Register of Environmental Organisations. This means that we now have Deductible Gift Recipient Status (DGR status). This is a great milestone for BVL, enabling BVL to accept tax deductible donations to continue our ever-expanding suite of community work. More details on how you may assist BVL will follow shortly.



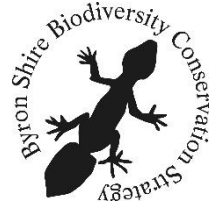
The March issue of Village Eco News is now available. <http://brunswickvalleylandcare.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Village-Eco-News-Issue-40-March-2020.pdf>



## Biodiversity Conservation Strategy

Available for comment 24 March to 15 May 2020

Byron Shire Council has just revised and updated its original Biodiversity Conservation Strategy, and Council is now welcoming public submissions on the draft. The Strategy outlines how Council, in partnership with the community, can protect and enhance our unique biodiversity – this is particularly important here, in one of the most biologically diverse parts of Australia.



To develop the Biodiversity Strategy, we have spoken with local expert ecologists, aboriginal stakeholders, the community, and other local councils, to ensure we develop a strategy that reflects good science, facilitates productive partnerships, and provides practical and achievable actions to help both Council and the community look after our natural environment.

The Biodiversity Strategy acknowledges and celebrates the huge amount of work done by local conservation volunteers in Byron Shire, and there is a strong focus on how Council can help support, partner with and grow our environmental volunteers. So we are particularly interested in hearing from local environmental volunteers during public exhibition.

To find out more about the strategy, view it on line and make a submission, please go to [www.yoursaybyronshire.com.au/biodiversity-strategy](http://www.yoursaybyronshire.com.au/biodiversity-strategy). For further information or to make an appointment, call Liz Caddick, Biodiversity Officer 02 6626 7126.



## Sustainability Awards

Byron Shire Council would like to announce that the Sustainability Awards are back for 2020, and nominations are now open! The awards aim to celebrate our passionate community championing sustainability and environmental initiatives across the shire.

Nominations are open to organisations, community groups and individuals across four categories:

- Sustainability
- Waste
- Biodiversity
- Water

Nomination is simple, and can be completed via a form on Council's website:

[www.byron.nsw.gov.au/sustainability](http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/sustainability) . **Nominations close: 5 May 2020**



## State Environmental Planning Policy SEPP Koala Habitat Protection 2019

The draft Koala Habitat Guideline will now be exhibited until Monday 30 March 2020. The guideline and submission portal is available on the Department's website.

<https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Policy-and-Legislation/Environment-and-Heritage/Koala-Habitat-Protection-SEPP>



### 2020 National Landcare Conference

We are calling for submission of abstracts and posters for the 2020 National Landcare Conference. We are seeking presentations for the sessions that demonstrate the Landcare ethos for the following streams; Sustainable Agriculture, Environment & Climate Change, Community Partnerships in Action and Landcare Impact.

<https://landcareaustralia.org.au/call-for-abstracts>

### Minyon Falls Master plan

The master plan that will guide the upgrade of visitor infrastructure at Minyon Falls and Minyon Grass picnic areas in Nightcap National Park was available for public comment in late 2019. Two written submissions were received during the exhibition period. A summary of issues raised, and NPWS response, is available on the [Minyon Falls Master Plan webpage](#).

The Review of Environmental Factors has also been finalised and determined for the works to proceed. It identifies the significance of likely environmental impacts of the proposed new and upgraded infrastructure within these precincts, and the measures required to mitigate any adverse impacts to the environment. Construction works are expected to commence on the site in the second half of 2020.



### Tweed Byron Hinterland Trails



### Multi-day walking track scoping

Project Officer Richard Greenhill was out in the field for several weeks in spring doing on-ground work to confirm the proposed route of the multi-day walking track within Mount Jerusalem and Nightcap National Parks. The track will run from Unicorn Falls to Minyon Falls and will include options for a four day/three night experience, plus day long, half day or hour long walks. Identification of the shorter walks is currently underway.

Richard was joined by local NPWS field and Ranger staff and members of the Northern Rivers Bushwalking Club (NRBC) to search for the best alignment for the walk, while also considering a multitude of park operations and visitor experience elements. Feedback provided by key stakeholders, other NPWS staff and Widjabul Wia-bal native title claimants has already guided the project team on Aboriginal cultural values, threatened vegetation communities and species, and opportunities and risks such as waterfalls, lookouts and cliffs. This information has been used to identify a preliminary route, which will now be subject to a full cultural and natural values assessment.

You can read about the next steps here <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/parks-reserves-and-protected-areas/park-management/community-engagement/walking-tracks-and-trails-in-national-parks/tweed-byron-hinterland-trails/updates-february-2020>

# Churchill Fellowships

Learn globally, inspire locally.

**A Churchill Fellowship offers Australian citizens a life changing opportunity to travel overseas for 4 to 8 weeks to explore a topic or issue that they are passionate about.**

Churchill Fellowships are awarded to people from all walks of life. We encourage applications from all sectors of the community, industry and in any field or topic of interest.

Applicants are empowered to design their own project that sets out to explore best practice and innovation that is not currently available in Australia.

There is a high level of visibility and credibility associated with becoming a Churchill Fellow as well as a responsibility to share the knowledge and skills gained overseas to benefit the Australian community locally.

It is a competitive process, with more than 100 Churchill Fellowships awarded every year.

## Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for a Churchill Fellowship you must:

- be an Australian Citizen over the age of 18
- not be enrolled in tertiary studies directly related to the topic of your proposed project
- have experience in and commitment to the field of your project
- have a project that requires overseas exploration
- be available to travel for 4 to 8 weeks between February 2021 and January 2022
- be willing to share Fellowship findings with the broader Australian community.



**Winston Churchill Trust**  
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## Benefits of a Churchill Fellowship

The prestige of being a Churchill Fellow serves to unlock opportunities that would not otherwise be accessible to a private individual.

- The opportunity to immerse in and investigate a particular topic or issue of interest from 4 to 8 weeks
- Overseas travel to countries of your choosing
- Allowance for all air travel expenses
- A variable allowance for in-country travel
- A variable allowance to assist with living expenses while overseas
- Possible assistance with the cost of conference fees, tuition or course expenses.

## Selection

There are no prescribed qualifications, academic or otherwise, required to apply for a Churchill Fellowship.

Applicants are assessed on the merit of their proposed project and on their past achievements or demonstrated ability for future achievement.

The value of an applicant's work to the community and the extent to which it will be enhanced by the applicant's overseas project are also important criteria taken into account when Churchill Fellows are selected.

Applications are invited each year from February to April.

Learn more about Churchill Fellowships and how to apply by visiting [www.churchillfellowships.com.au](http://www.churchillfellowships.com.au)

## The Ecology of Disease by NY Times

A really interesting article from 2012 examining the links between the “wild” and humans. A developing model of infectious disease shows that most epidemics — AIDS, Ebola, West Nile, SARS, Lyme disease — are a result of things people do to nature.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2012/07/15/sunday-review/the-ecology-of-disease.html>



## STORIES to inspire and give you hope

### Koala Field Day

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 20 people gathered at John Tann's property in Mullumbimby. We were treated a walk around John's property which he and his wife Ruth purchased 3 years ago. Since then John has planted 3000 trees. Many of these trees

John has grown himself in his home made nursery.

Maria Matthes from Friends of the Koala joined us to share her wealth of information on koalas and their habits and does a great impression of a female koala! She also shared tips on how to tell if you have koala's using your property, even if you don't see

them.

The photos below show bark that has koala scratches on them. The last photo shows the difference between a new scratch on the left and an old scratch on the right.



This photo shows different koala scats (poos) – the gum nuts are for size comparison. See if you can see the scats that are from a sick koala?

For more information on how to tell a sick and healthy koala please visit the friends of the koala webpage <https://www.friendsofthekoala.org/here/wp-content/uploads/Koala-Watch-Glovebox-Guides-for-website.pdf>



*This project has been assisted by the NSW government through its Environmental Trust.*



## Rous Bush Regenerators - Turning cow paddocks into Water cleansing forests

The Rous County Council bush regenerators are working hard planting and weeding what once were paddocks with no vegetation, into rainforests. Rous has an interest in revegetating our riverbanks and catchments as sound vegetation is the best way to keep our water source pristine. The more plants we along the catchment to hold the creek banks and filter runoff, the better for everyone.



One of the favourite species used to create borders and for soil retention is Lomandra. The most common and robust of this species are longifolia and hystrix. Common Lomandra longifolia is the most hardy tolerating droughts, cold weather and even frosts quite well. They do however not do well with wet feet and can rot off at the base. Hystrix however can handle the wet much better.

When choosing Lomandra spp for your mass plantings its always important to make sure which variety you are using as there are many new varieties on the market and they all suit different sites.

**This site on the Wilson River shows an established section planted 10 years ago in the back of the picture. Recently Rous planted another 1100 trees in the open sections to start closing the canopy.** More information about Rous County Council can be found at [www.rous.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rous.nsw.gov.au).

## REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE

### New video series

After what has been a challenging summer for so many of us, I am pleased to announce the launch of our series of videos that spread hope for a resilient farming future. The videos include one-on-one interviews with Charles Massy, Bruce Pascoe, Terry McCosker, Kerry Cochrane, Tammi Jonas, Tim Wright, Derek Smith, Michael Taylor, and Helen and Mike McCosker.

The videos will be targeting farmers around the country, educating them on the practice's potential to improve soil health, human health, landscape resilience and biodiversity.

It was an inspiration to follow the crew as they toured the properties of the best regenerative practitioners in the country to document this important movement at such a critical time.

<https://www.scu.edu.au/regenerativeag/regenerative-agriculture-videos/>

## Land for Wildlife



### Water for Wildlife

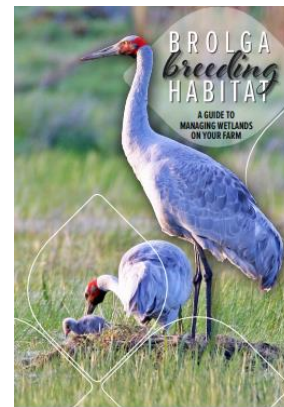
Water for Wildlife is a community-based initiative to assist native species in Australia who are being severely impacted by bushfires, heat waves and drought. Our water stations are free, ready to install and are accompanied by [simple instructions](#). Stations can hold nearly 15 litres of water and can be refilled as required. They are temporarily out of stock but you can fill in your details and they will get in touch with you when more become available. <https://www.w4w.org.au/>



## Brolga Breeding Habitat - A Guide to Managing Wetlands on Your Farm

Landcare NSW member group, [Corowa District Landcare Inc](#) has released a guide about supporting the Brolga and its habitats. The Brolga is considered a threatened species in the southern states, and is listed as Vulnerable in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. This guide can help landholders manage their wetlands and watercourses for Brolgas and support them into the future.

<http://www.murraywildlife.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Brolga-Breeding-Habitat-FINAL.pdf>



## Dogs sniff out cane toads moving into burnt-out bushland in NSW

Tommy, the cane toad detector, is an expert at sniffing out cane toads in paddocks and ponds. Cane toads have been a big problem in far-north New South Wales for decades, but the recent bushfires are making matters worse as cleared, charred land makes it easier for the pests to move into new territory. Key points: Passively trained conservation dogs are sniffing out cane toads that are moving into bushfire-affected land in northern NSW. Cane toads find it easier to move across burnt-out land.



<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-03-09/dogs-sniff-out-cane-toads-in-nsw-far-north-coast-after-bushfires/12032494>

## FUNDING

### Do you have a great project and need funds to make it happen?

On the Brunswick Valley Landcare website there are some handy tips on how to be successful with grant applications. Below is a summary of grants which are currently accepting applications and ones that are anticipated to open within the next month. <http://brunswickvalleylandcare.org.au/funding/>

### Strengthening Rural Communities

The Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) program aims to give the thousands of small rural, regional and remote communities across Australia an opportunity to apply for funding that can support broad community needs. This program is an evolution of the long-running Small Grants for Rural Communities (SGRC) program that FRRR ran for 34 rounds over a 16-year period.

The program criteria are deliberately flexible, and with applications being accepted all year round, communities have increased access to funds that can be used where and when a community knows it's needed.

**Closing: 24th March 5pm AEDT**

**Category 1** (Small and Vital Grants): Up to \$10,000

**Category 2** (Larger Leverage): \$10,001- \$25,000

[https://www.frrr.org.au/grants/Strengthening\\_Rural\\_Communities](https://www.frrr.org.au/grants/Strengthening_Rural_Communities)





## Macpac Fund for Good



We're completely in love with the outdoors... completely and utterly. It's vitally important to all of us at Macpac to play our part in preserving our wilderness, and its wildlife, for generations to come. We recognise the impact that simply doing business can have on our precious planet – so we're constantly working to reduce our own environmental footprint. We use the Macpac Fund for Good to support projects working hard to preserve our natural environment, restore and protect habitats, and to look after the creatures that call them home. Wherever we can, we do our bit to ensure we all continue to enjoy them for many years to come.

**Closing: 30 April 2020**

Available: grants of between \$2,000 - \$10,000

Not-for-profit organisations working on environmental and social causes related to the outdoors.

<https://www.macpac.com.au/fund-for-good.html>

## Infrastructure Grants

The NSW Government offers grants to communities across NSW to support the building, renovation and fit-out of infrastructure. Funding is available for arts and cultural infrastructure, sport and recreation infrastructure and projects that assist communities with essential infrastructure and disaster readiness.



**Opens: 16 March Closing: 6th April 5pm AEDT**

**Disaster Readiness & Community Infrastructure:** \$10,000 to \$200,000 available per project

<https://www.responsiblegambling.nsw.gov.au/funding-opportunities/infrastructure-grants>

## Weeds of the Month

It's Maderia Month again! As Madeira is now flowering it's a great chance to spot.

Maderia Vine *Anredera cordifolia* otherwise known as Potato Vine or Lambs Tails is a common garden escapee. It is a twining climber with stems to about 20 m long, producing tubers on roots and stems. The leaves are fleshy and heart shaped. The small fragrant white flowers are arranged in drooping "lamb's tails". Unfortunately it the aerial tubers and tubers produced on roots and from stem sections reproduce if they come into contact with moist ground. This weed is spread by water, soil movement, birds, rats, and dumped garden refuse. It is a common site along river banks and it suburban gardens.

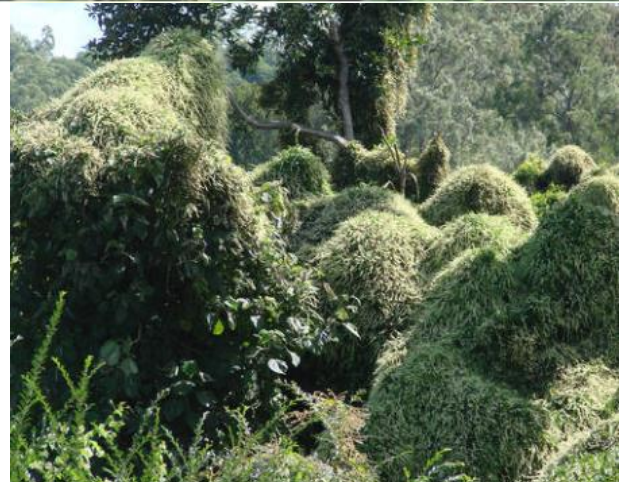


It is one of the hardest weeds to control so do your research before you try and learn what the correct tried and tested method is here

<https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/Weeds/MadeiraVine>

A great video that show's how bad it can get can be found here from South West Rocks Dunecare

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSX1jTzwya0>



## **WORKING BEES - why not get out and get involved in one of our local groups?**

For all Landcare Working Bees please wear protective clothing - long pants, long-sleeved shirt, closed-in shoes, hat, gloves and bring water, sunscreen, and insect repellent. **Please always contact the groups co-ordinators before attending a working bee as plans do change!**

### **Bangalow Land and Rivercare, Bangalow**

WHEN: every Saturday 8:30am  
WHERE: find out from Liz Gander  
CONTACT: Liz Gander [bangalowlandcare@gmail.com](mailto:bangalowlandcare@gmail.com) 66871309

### **Green and Clean Awareness Team, Byron Bay**

WHEN: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month 9:00am  
WHERE: Meet Main Beach, Byron Bay  
CONTACT: Veda Turner [vedaturner@gmail.com](mailto:vedaturner@gmail.com) 0427 857 991

### **Heritage Park Landcare, Mullumbimby**

WHEN: alternate Saturdays 9:00am – 11:00 am  
WHERE: Heritage Park, Mullumbimby  
CONTACT: Diana Hughes [bromspot@gmail.com](mailto:bromspot@gmail.com)

### **Jinangong Landcare, Ocean Shores**

WHEN: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month  
WHERE: The Tunnel Road, Ocean Shores  
CONTACT: Ian Parer [ianparer@hotmail.com](mailto:ianparer@hotmail.com)

### **Mullum Town Landcare, Mullumbimby**

WHEN: last Sunday of the month  
WHERE: find out from Rita de Heer  
CONTACT: Rita de Heer 02 6684 1495 [ritadeheer7@gmail.com](mailto:ritadeheer7@gmail.com)

### **Ocean Shores Landcare, Ocean Shores**

WHEN: each Friday at 8.30 – 11.00 am (8.00am DST)  
WHERE: corner of Yallakool Drive and Warrambool Road, Ocean Shores  
CONTACT: David Kemp [dnkemp77@gmail.com](mailto:dnkemp77@gmail.com) 0427 650 861

### **South New Brighton Dunecare**

WHEN: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month 1:30pm - 4:30pm  
WHERE: Meet at southern end of the Esplanade at the Strand beach access point.  
CONTACT: Robyn Bolden [robyn.bolden@optusnet.com.au](mailto:robyn.bolden@optusnet.com.au) 6680 1970

### **Suffolk Park Dunecare**

WHEN: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month  
CONTACT: Helen Brown [hellyh@bigpond.com](mailto:hellyh@bigpond.com) 6685 4964

### **Tyagarah Landcare**

WHEN: Each Thursday 9:00am – 11:00am  
WHERE: 23 Prestons Lane, Tyagarah  
CONTACT: Bela Allen [bela\\_allen@yahoo.com](mailto:bela_allen@yahoo.com) 6684 7113

**Can't find a group near you?** We have many other groups who meet on an ad hoc basis (contact us for more details) or if there isn't an existing group in your neighbourhood or you are interested in looking after a particular area, BVL can help you to form a locality group under the BVL umbrella.

## LINKS

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- Arakwal <http://arakwal.com.au/>
- Border Rangers Alliance <http://www.greasternranges.org.au/border-ranges/overview/overview>
- Bangalow River and Landcare <http://www.bangalowlandcare.org.au/>
- Big Scrub Landcare <https://www.bigscrubrainforest.org.au/>
- Brunswick Valley Landcare <http://www.brunswickvalleylandcare.org.au/>
- Byron Bird Buddies <http://www.byronbirdbuddies.com.au/>
- Byron Community College <http://www.byroncollege.org.au/>
- Byron Shire Council <http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/>
- EnviTE [www.envite.org.au](http://www.envite.org.au)
- Environmental Trust <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/envtrust.htm>
- Friends of the Koala [www.friendsofthekoala.org](http://www.friendsofthekoala.org)
- Local Land Services [www.northcoast.ils.nsw.gov.au](http://www.northcoast.ils.nsw.gov.au)
- North Coast Local Land Services <http://northcoast.ils.nsw.gov.au/>
- Border Ranges Richmond Valley Landcare [www.brrvl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.brrvl.nsw.gov.au)
- Mullumbimby Community Gardens <http://mullumcommunitygarden.wordpress.com/>
- North Coast Nature <http://www.northcoastnature.org.au/>
- Richmond Landcare Inc. <http://www.richmondlandcare.org/>
- Rous County Council (formerly Far North Coast Weeds) <http://rous.nsw.gov.au/>
- Soilcare <http://www.soilcare.org>
- Tweed Landcare Inc. <http://www.tweedlandcare.org.au/>
- Wilson's Creek Huonbrook Landcare <http://www.wilsonscreeklandcare.mullum.com.au/>

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For information about Landcare or other natural resource issues in Byron shire please contact

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