

# Karawatha Forest Protection Society Inc.



## Karawatha News



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*Arctic Sea ice has reached its peak for the year and it is the lowest on record*

## NEWSLETTER JUNE 2015

### JUNE ACTIVITY



### PRESENTATION

**Melanie McGregor** Ph.D. candidate at Griffith University will present her findings on:  
“**Reptiles , Frogs and Bats using the Compton Rd. Land Bridge**” .

“The species diversity of animal captures on the Ecobridge is outstanding compared with the captures in the forest sites.”

Library Meeting Room

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2015 7.00 pm

More information at this link

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1593421197604166/>

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### AN ICON OF KFPS—THE BUSH CARE GROUP HAS BEEN WRITTEN INTO HISTORY.

Sadly Dennis Kerr has resigned from this group due to ill health. The Karawatha Forest Bushcare Group has now officially retired as an active Habitat Brisbane group. For your information, there is a new HB group within Karawatha Ward; Doulton St - Alfred Circuit Park Bushcare Group. This group works in Doulton St Park, located between Alfred Circuit and Doulton St, Calamvale. Nicole Watz will be taking over the Habitat Brisbane Officer, South role from June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**TALK and WALK around and across the ECODUCT ( Landbridge) across Compton Rd.**



26 people attended. Prof Darryl Jones from Griffith Uni gave an interesting talk about how, when and why the land bridge came into being. He spoke about animals using it and the monitoring of usage post construction. Especially interesting was the story about how the first possum was coaxed to use the ladder and then all the others followed. We then had a walk across the top of the land bridge. After returning Thomas Creevey a past President of the Society gave a talk about his involvement in the construction.

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**An extract from Duncan Pegg's Maiden Speech in Qld Parliament.**

*"Our local area has a great tradition of engagement and a great sense of community I would like to single out the Karawatha Forest Protection Society. The area that I represent not only has fantastic community minded people but also is an area of natural beauty. Karawatha Forest is an important part of my local environment. It is a place of rugged beauty and, as one of the largest areas of remnant bushland in Brisbane, needs to be protected. Protecting our natural resources and the environment is important now more than ever.*

*Having a great natural resource like the forest in your backyard really reminds you of how important it is to conserve these natural wonders. It does not matter whether it is the Daintree, Kakadu, the Great Barrier Reef, the Murray-Darling or Karawatha Forest: they all add their piece to our national environment. The members of the Karawatha Forest Protection Society do a fantastic job in protecting this important natural resource and bringing relevant issues and concerns to the attention of the government, the Brisbane City Council and the broader public. The Karawatha Forest Protection Society also organises some fantastic bush walks, and I look forward to participating in more of them in the future."*

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Next meeting  
**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015**  
7.00 pm Library meeting room  
Sunnybank Hills Shoppingtown.

  
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