

What is Tullimbah Landcare Group?

The Tullimbah Landcare Group, known as TLC, formed in 1999. A core group of local residents volunteer their time to help rehabilitate a Bushland Reserve off Digby Close, in Albion Park.

This Reserve is close to homes in Regal Heights, and although this Reserve outwardly appears very degraded and overgrown with Lantana, it has great potential with regard to the flora and fauna of the area. The Reserve has been studied and is found to be mainly "Disturbed" Subtropical Rainforest Community, with many hidden attributes, including several rare or endangered plant species.

The TLC Group has been working in this Reserve since the group was formed, mainly clearing Lantana away from the remnant native trees and vegetation, replanting some areas with native plants and constantly weeding to keep rogue weeds at bay and allowing natural regeneration from the seed bank in the soil.

TULLIMBAH LANDCARE GROUP

WORKING BEES

are held every 4th Saturday at 9am

and

every 2nd Monday at 9am

Where to meet:

Elizabeth Brownlee Reserve

Digby Close

Albion Park

(off Noble Road)

Phone : Ruth Jenkins (02) 4256 2684

or Mike Swanson (02) 4256 9599



TULLIMBAH LANDCARE INC

Elizabeth Brownlee

Reserve

Albion Park



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

You may think you need a whole host of skills, or tools, to be a useful volunteer. That's not so ... most of us aren't even keen gardeners.

All you need is a hat, sunscreen, gloves, and long sleeves ... and we'll teach you the rest. Learn about how to identify a weed, how to differentiate native plants and how to remove weeds effectively. All tools are provided, and there is a trained bush regenerator on-site at the working bees. All you need to do is come along.



The Tullimbah Landcare Group is made up of a friendly bunch of people of all ages and interests, and welcome any new members.

ABOUT THE RESERVE



The Reserve is a 2.5 hectare urban remnant of Illawarra Dry Subtropical Rainforest. The reserve is a gazetted Threatened Ecological Community that includes Threatened Flora:- Zieria granulata and also contains Regionally Significant Plants:- Omalanthus stillingifolius and Brachychiton populneus.

Tullimbah Landcare Group is working to rehabilitate the whole area, and there is no doubt about the recovery successes over the site: The bird-life is prolific, many natives are regenerating by themselves, and other fauna is seen to visit regularly.

Efforts like this, which improve wildlife habitat, are essential for the long term survival of urban native flora and fauna.

ABOUT BUSH REGENERATION

Bush Regeneration is a term used to describe methods of rehabilitating or restoring bushland vegetation. It's not about landscape gardening and it can't be achieved overnight.

It is a systematic approach to reversing weed invasion or restoring otherwise degraded bushland.

It involves primary weeding, secondary weeding and long-term maintenance and the more people on the ground, the better the outcomes toward creating the conditions that encourage native plants to re-establish.

If you would like to become a member, contact: Ruth Jenkins (02) 4256 2684 or Mike Swanson (02) 4256 9599



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