

## 2017 Romeo Lahey Lecture: *“Making Conservation Relevant in a Crowded World”*

**Wednesday 15th March 2017 :** 7pm for a 7:30pm start Griffith University EcoCentre  
170 Kessels Road, Nathan Qld 4111 **Cost: \$10 entry at the door**

Peter Cochrane, guest speaker, represents Oceania on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Governing Council, sits on the Steering Group of the Protected Area Learning and Research and was Director of National Parks and Head of Parks Australia for over a decade. He has over twenty years' experience in senior executive leadership and governance roles in the public and private sectors.

He consults on environment and sustainability issues, and is currently an adviser to the national State of Environment Report 2016. He is also a Director of Ecotourism Australia, the Blue Mountains World Heritage Institute and Tangaroa Blue Foundation.

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For more information contact the NPAQ Office on 07 3367 0878 or [admin@npaq.org.au](mailto:admin@npaq.org.au) or visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/1825492371056869/> to register your interest.

## **THECA Meeting** [www.theca.asn.au](http://www.theca.asn.au)

General meetings are usually held at The Hut, 47 Fleming Road, Chapel Hill, on the fourth Wednesday of each month from February to November at 7:00pm. (UBD 177 P2). See the website for information on Events.

March 22 Platypus survey and other WPSQ projects

April 26 AGM - kangaroo-counters-in-search-of-the-lost-scamjet

## **Queensland Herbarium Seminar** **FM Bailey Room, at 12 Noon** [www.qld.gov.au](http://www.qld.gov.au)

The Herbarium hosts free public seminars at the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens from noon until 1pm on the second Monday of the month (March to November) - FM Bailey conference room in the Herbarium building. You don't need to register, just turn up on the day.

**13 March** *Ethnobotany—saving ancient Indigenous knowledge by recording, documenting and protecting cultural traditions of plant use for medicine, bush tucker and other purposes*

Gerry Turpin (Botanist)

**10 April** **Restoration FORUM** - four presentations on ecological restoration, from four young minds engaged in research at the University of Queensland.

- *Does risk inform investment in implementation of ecological restoration projects?*  
Valerie Hagger (PhD candidate)
- *The cost and feasibility of marine coastal restoration*  
Dr Elisa Bayraktarov (Postdoctoral Research Fellow)
- *Using CORVEG to investigate diversity and abundance patterns of woody plants in southeast Queensland*  
James McCarthy (PhD candidate)
- *Carbon-diversity co-benefits in Australian forest restoration projects*  
Timothy Staples (PhD candidate)

Note: In May it is on the third Monday, the 15th May.

The date on the QNC 2017 Calendar for the May Queensland Herbarium seminar is not correct as it has been changed to the 3rd Monday.

A new era for the management of South East Queensland's land and waterways has begun, with the official formation of Healthy Waterways and Catchments (HWC). This new organisation combines leading not-for-profit organisations Healthy Waterways and SEQ Catchments, whose members voted in the change on 28 June 2016. Healthy Waterways and SEQ Catchments will continue to operate under their existing brands while we work through the transition. [Find out more.](#)

On the **23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of March 2017** HWC will host the **Rainforests of Subtropical Australia Symposium (ROSA) on the Gold Coast.**

ROSA promises to be a stellar event with keynotes from Tim Low, Roger Kitching, Carla Catterall and Ralf Buckley, over 25 presentations in 4 themes (rainforest vales, restoration, threatened species and climate change), a special Rainforest Legends event, dinner with Ian Lowe, and a robust Q&A style discussion on the complex interactions between fire and rainforest.

Registrations are limited, so book now! [www.rosa2017.eventbrite.com](http://www.rosa2017.eventbrite.com)