



# Catchment News

Fitzroy River and Coastal Catchments Inc

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### Help!!!!

Can you think of a good name for this catchment newsletter? Your suggestions are welcome.

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## About the FRCC

The Fitzroy River and Coastal Catchments Inc is a community based group focused on the sustainable management and use of our natural resources. From late 2002 the FRCC operated as a sub-committee of the Fitzroy Basin Association and then became incorporated in January 2005.

The FRCC plays an important role in coordinating catchment management and planning activities in the Fitzroy River and associated coastal catchments. Activities include providing opportunities for stakeholders to discuss issues, identify solutions, agree on actions and work cooperatively.

The Management Committee currently consists of 10 people with particular areas of interest. These are: John Thomas (grazing), Jeff Mills (Landcare and grazing), Peter Baggett (grazing and weeds), Bob Muir (indigenous), Ian Dare (local government), Amanda Brumpton (business and grazing), Michelle Hanrahan (landcare and industry), Josh McKenzie (water), Leise Childs (conservation) and Ken Rutherford (grazing).

## Calling for Members

Following incorporation, the FRCC are calling for groups to register membership with the FRCC. There is the opportunity for individuals to register to receive newsletters and other relevant information.

Registration is through a Membership Form and there is no charge. Please contact the office if you require a form or have any enquiries.

## Incentives for on-ground works

The FRCC and the Fitzroy Basin Association are able to offer an incentive program worth \$224 000 to landholders in the Alligator Creek Catchment. The incentives are available for on-ground works through the adoption of improved practices to achieve natural resource management outcomes. An additional \$55 000 is available for training, property management planning and establishing water quality targets.

The incentives for on-ground works are available to landholders in priority catchments. Priority catchments have been identified through a process that considered salinity, biodiversity, water quality, weeds and community activity. Alligator Creek Catchment, including the Hedlow and Woodbury Bungundarra area, is the priority catchment where FRCC staff are currently working. FRCC will move into other priority catchments in the new financial year.

Funding is provided by the Commonwealth and State Governments through the National Action Plan for Salinity and Water Quality and the Natural Heritage Trust Extension.

## Official Opening of new office

You are invited to the official opening of the FRCC office on the 29<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 3pm. Come along for a social afternoon tea and meet the FRCC staff and Committee. Venue: Shop B, 31 East Street, Rockhampton.

## Catfish Derby - \$1900 grant received

The FRCC are pleased to have assisted the Wycarbah & District Landcare

Group prepare a successful submission for a Community Natural Resource Awareness Activity Grant. The family orientated Catfish Derby event, also supported by Stanwell Power, will be held on 28th May 2005.



*Invitation to*

# **Forum in the Field Ponded Pastures**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April

“Granite Vale”, St Lawrence

9:30am arrival for 10am start (close at approx 3pm)

### **Program includes:**

- Guest speakers from Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries
- Discuss proposed new ponded pasture project for the Marlborough and St Lawrence area
  - Meet the new Forestry Management Project Officer
  - Hear about other projects occurring in the surrounding area
- Property Tour – ponded pasture established for around 30 yrs

*Morning Tea and Lunch provided  
Please bring your own chair*

RSVP by 1<sup>st</sup> April for catering purposes.  
Enquiries to the FRCC Office on ph: 49210573 or email: [fanderson@frcc.org.au](mailto:fanderson@frcc.org.au)  
Directions to the property available by contacting the FRCC Office.

**Kindly hosted by the Olive family**

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