



## The newsletter is back!!

Welcome back to our newsletter. Its been absent for a while but now its back and our intention is to distribute it on a quarterly basis. But it will only be as good as the stories you tell us about so send the stories in. Anyway, here goes .....



### Rescue

The last three months have been a relatively quiet time for animals in care. We have had approx. 40 calls to the rescue phone, with many calls relating to birds.

There were also two koalas rescued who unfortunately had to be put down due to the extent of the chlamydia disease, and 4 orphaned macropod joeys rescued.



### Rehabilitation

A big success story for us recently was Steve the goshawk.

Steve was found by a member of the public with an injury to his wing.

He underwent surgery to repair a small break in his wing and after 3 weeks of rehabilitation and antibiotics, was right to go.



### Release

Steve's rehabilitation was so successful, he was ready to go before our new flight aviary had been completed. Tom Dachs, who found Steve, did the honours and when released, Steve flew beautifully.

Thanks to Erica and the team at Stanthorpe Vet Care for their help getting Steve flying again.



### What we need

We are on the lookout for blankets and quilts to keep our animals warm over the winter months.

We can also use old jumpers that have had the arms cut off and with the neck, sewn up.

If you have any to donate, please contact our stock coordinator Kylie Hibberd on 0408 632 357.



### Projects

The big project underway at the moment is the flight aviary. This is a facility we have needed for a while, and we now have the funds, volunteers and expertise to build it.

This is a transition area for rehabilitated birds to go into, to strengthen their wings and get ready for release back into the wild.



### Markets

Following our stall at the show, the Monster Market held at the CWA Hall at Broadwater was another successful fundraising event for us.

With new coordinators at the helm, the number of stalls filled up quickly and the range and quality attracted many patrons.

# Events

April – June

The following events are coming up and there may be many ways in which you can help. If you think you can, please contact our event coordinator, Kylie Hibberd, on 0408 632 357

**Apr 26 – May 10**

## Mother's Day Raffle

During these dates you'll find Val at IGA selling raffle tickets for one of our ever popular raffles. For Mother's Day we are raffling three wonderful prizes.

First prize will be a \$120 IGA voucher, 2nd prize will be a beautiful hand made bear with miniature shopping trolley filled with \$30 worth of groceries (bear and groceries donated by Mrs Pat Gilmore – total value \$100), and 3rd prize will be a family pass to Darling Downs Zoo (donated by Darling Downs Zoo and worth \$75). Tickets are \$1.00 ea or 6 for \$5.00. The raffle will be drawn on Sat 10 May.



**May 10 & 11**

## Mountain Bike Orienteering Championships

The Granite Belt Wildlife Carers have been asked to provide catering services at the Mountain Bike Orienteering (MTBO) Championships in the Passchendaele State Forest on 10 & 11 May.

You can help us by baking some goodies we can sell. Contact event coordinator Kylie Hibberd on 0408 632 357 if you can help.

**May 25**

## Bird Rescue Workshop

A Bird Rescue Workshop will be held on May 25 to skill up our bird carers in rescue, rehabilitation and release of our feathered friends.

Whether it be a baby bird fallen from its nest, a fledgling trying to fly or an adult injured in some way, our bird carers and general rescuers will find this course hosted by Trixie Benbrook, very useful. Contact Betty on 4681 0307.



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## About us

The Granite Belt Wildlife Carers are a group of volunteers who dedicate their time and skills to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of sick, injured or orphaned wildlife in and around the Granite Belt area of SE Qld.

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