

PUBLIC FORUM

Cooroy Memorial Hall
Maple St. Cooroy

Saturday July 2
1pm - 4:30pm

Let's talk about **Cooloola National Park**

Nature vs Commercial Development... where's the line?
...at the edge of our National Parks, or deep inside?

Kabi smoking ceremony

*And some words from Kabi people
who haven't been heard yet*

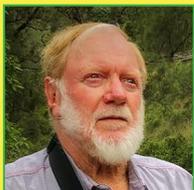


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The plan for Cooloola

What it is / Where it's up to / What to do about it

The development plans for Cooloola National Park are progressing mostly out of public sight. Community volunteers are digging out the facts. They're not pretty.



Peter Ogilvie
President, Wildlife Queensland
Ret. Director Qld. Parks & Wildlife

The Cardinal Principle

What it is / Why it matters / Why it's threatened

The Cardinal Principle has long served to make nature conservation and preservation the primary purpose of National Park management. The new laws that allow these development plans change that. How dangerous is this?



Ronda Green BSc(Hons) PhD
Araucaria Ecotours

Eco? Tourism Impacts on wildlife & wildness?

With biodiversity facing multiple threats, the quality of our National Parks is crucial to conservation of species & habitat. How might tourism affect the security of that higher purpose?

Whilst the integrity of nature is paramount, there is also a need to consider the quality of experiencing it. How much can bio-physical conditions be altered to suit individual or commercial conveniences without greatly changing the vital essence of the experience?



Dianne Dredge PhD
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Regenerative Tourism

Communities are pushing back against 'Tourism' being done to them, rather than with them and for them.

Without informed community consent, development has left communities overdependent on tourism, vulnerable to crises, and with degraded natural resources.

But there is another way. Dianne presents an alternative path to the 'top-down' decision-making that routinely ignores community needs.

Please help us organise by registering to attend

Registration and all enquiries to: protectparks@internode.on.net

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