# **Education Calendar July to December 2015**



DATE	WORKSHOP	LOCATION	TIME	PRE-REQUISITES				
July 2015								
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation	Gold Coast	8.30am- 10.30am					
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	Gold Coast	10.45am – 4.30pm	Orientation				
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Possums (Advanced)	Slacks Creek	9.00am – 12.00pm	Possums (Basic)				
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Possums (Pinkies)	Slacks Creek	12.30pm – 2.00pm	Possums (Basic)				
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Native Baby Birds	Gold Coast	9.00am – 1.00pm					
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Reuniting and Rescue of Baby Birds	Gold Coast	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Native Baby Birds				
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Caring for Orphaned Mammals	Wacol	9.30am – 3.30pm					
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Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wildlife Rescue (Advanced)	Gold Coast	9.30am – 4.00pm	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)				
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gliders	Wacol	9.30am – 4.00pm	Caring for Orphaned Mammals				
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Reptiles (including Lizards) (Basic)	Gold Coast	9.30am – 3.30pm					
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation	Wacol	8.30am – 10.30am					
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	Wacol	10.45am – 4.30pm	Orientation				
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Possums (Basic)	Slacks Creek	9.00am – 3.00pm	Caring for Orphaned Mammals				
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Native Birds (Basic)	Wacol	9.30am – 3.00pm					
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Microbats	Beerwah	9.30am – 4.00pm					
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Lorikeets	Gold Coast	9.30am – 12.30pm	Native Birds (Basic)				
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Reptile Handling (Martin Fingland) Fee Based Workshop	Wacol	10.00am- 2.00pm	See page 3 for details				
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Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Caring for Orphaned Mammals	Gold Coast	9.30am – 4.00pm					
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ducks and Ducklings	Wacol	10.00am – 1.00pm	Native Birds (Basic)				
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Magpies	Wacol	9.30am – 12.30pm	Native Birds (Basic)				
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tawny Frogmouths	Wacol	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Native Birds (Basic)				
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation	Beerwah	8.30am – 10.30am					
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	Beerwah	10.45am – 4.30pm	Orientation				
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Possums (Basic)	Gold Coast	9.30am – 4.00pm	Caring for Orphaned Mammals				

DATE	WORKSHOP	LOCATION	TIME	PRE-REQUISITES				
October 2015								
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Orientation	Gold Coast	8.30am – 10.30am					
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	Gold Coast	10.45am – 4.30pm	Orientation				
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Snakes	Gold Coast	Reptiles (Basic)					
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Caring for Orphaned Mammals	Beerwah	9.30am – 4.00pm					
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Native Birds (Basic)	Gold Coast	9.30am – 3.00pm					
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Wildlife Habitat and Native Plant Identification (Basic)	Gold Coast	9.30am – 4.00pm					
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Bandicoots, Small Carnivorous Marsupials and Native Rodents	Beerwah	9.00am – 12.30m	Caring for Orphaned Mammals				
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Reptiles (including Lizards) (Basic)	Wacol	9.30am – 3.30pm					
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Veterinary Aspects of Koala Rehabilitation (Dr Robyn Stenner)	Wacol	9.30am – 3.30pm					
November 2015								
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wildlife Habitat (Advanced)	Wacol	9.00am – 1.00pm	Wildlife Habitat and Native Plant ID (Basic)				
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Native Baby Birds	Gold Coast	9.00am – 1.00pm					
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Reuniting and Rescue of Baby Birds	Gold Coast	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Native Baby Birds				
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Reptile Handling (Martin Fingland) Fee Based Workshop	Sunshine Coast	10.00am – 2.00pm	See page 3 for details				
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Frogs	Wacol	9.00am – 12.00pm	Reptiles (Basic)				
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Freshwater Turtles	Wacol	acol 12.30pm – 3.30pm <i>Rept</i>					
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Orientation	Wacol	8.30am – 10.30am					
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	Wacol	10.45am – 4.30pm	Orientation				
December 2015								
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bandicoots, Small Carnivorous Marsupials and Native Rodents	Gold Coast	9.30am – 12.30pm	Caring for Orphaned Mammals				

# To register for workshops please email: education@wildcare.org.au

Please register at least 7 days before the scheduled date to allow appropriate arrangements to be made for venues and training materials. Registrations are subject to availability, and satisfaction of any pre-requisites listed.

The right of admission to any Wildcare Australia Inc. training workshop or event is hereby expressly reserved. In particular, we reserve the right to deny registration, refuse entry to, or remove from, any Wildcare workshop or event, any person(s) who are drunk, under the influence of alcohol, whose conduct is unlawful, disorderly or offensive, or who is not entitled to attend the event. Any person who causes a disturbance, engages in inappropriate behaviour or refuses to comply with reasonable requests from the trainer or other authorised person may be asked to leave the premises and be refused admission to any further Wildcare Australia Inc training workshops and/or events.

Members that repeatedly register for workshops and do not attend will not be given preference to workshops.



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## **Workshop Costs**

All workshops (other than 'Specialised Workshops'):

**Members** - Free (includes training manual in digital format)

**Non-Members** – Half day workshops \$10 per person (includes training manual in digital format)

Full day workshops - \$20 per person (includes training manual in digital format)

Non-members will be expected to pay registration fees at the time of registration.

## **Workshop Attendance and Etiquette**

Please remember that the Wildcare training workshops are conducted by volunteers who invest substantial time into developing and delivering the Wildcare training program. Please be considerate – if you are no longer able to attend a workshop, please pay the Trainer the courtesy of letting them know as soon as possible. In many cases, there will be a waiting list for each workshop and your place can be offered to someone else.

Please ensure that you arrive at least 15 minutes before the scheduled commencement time to allow access to the training facilities and to ensure minimal disruption to the Trainer and fellow attendees.

### **Workshop Pre-Requisites**

Please take note of the pre-requisites noted on the Calendar. Most pre-requisites need to be enforced to ensure the training meets the expectations of the attendees. However there may be some leniency for some pre-requisites. If you have any questions about the pre-requisites please contact us.

## **Training Material**

All training manuals are provided in digital PDF format (either on CD or digital download). Limited quantities of black and white and/or colour printed copies of manuals are available for most training workshops for a nominal cost (manuals vary in price). Manual prices will be advised at time of final registration confirmation.

### **Children at Workshops**

Children under 14 are not permitted at training workshops due to workshop content and to ensure adequate places are available for members that are actively involved in wildlife rescue and rehabilitation. Children between the ages of 14 and 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

# **Specialised Requirements**

If you have any specialised requirements that may affect your ability to attend the training workshops or have a learning disability, please contact us to discuss ways in which we can assist you.

## **Registration Procedure**

Registrations should be made as soon as possible to secure your place. Workshops often fill quickly due to limited capacity of some workshop venues, which need to be booked well in advance. Registrations should be made at least 7 days before the scheduled date otherwise the registration may not be accepted.

Please also bear in mind that most of our Trainers work full time and need to have the workshop prepared the week before the scheduled date. Registering early assists our Trainers in planning workshop resources and ensures your place.

## **Registrations by Non-members**

Non-Wildcare members are welcome to attend workshops however preference for <u>all workshops</u> will be given to current **financial** and **active** members of Wildcare. Where registrations are received from non-members, bookings will be subject to spaces being available. Payment will be expected at the time of registration.

#### **Fee Based Workshops**

#### **Reptile Handling**

This workshop is being presented by Martin Fingland from Geckoes Wildlife Presentations. Refer to separate Registration Form attached. Places are limited. Please register early to secure your place.

Cost: \$60.00 per person payable upon registration.

# **Additional information about Wildcare Training Program**

The information below is a brief summary of the current workshops offered by Wildcare. For a more detailed description, please refer to your Volunteer Manual.

#### **Orientation Program**

Compulsory for new members wishing to rescue/care for wildlife.

#### Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)

Compulsory for new members wishing to rescue/care for wildlife.

#### Wildlife Rescue (Advanced)

Koala rescues, adult macropod rescues and high-risk rescues.

# Native Birds (Basic) (also previously referred to as Fundamentals of Native Birds)

Identification, rescue, assessment, handling, feeding techniques, housing, anatomy, injuries and disease.

Recommended for ALL wildlife rescuers/carers.

#### **Ducks and Ducklings**

Rescuing, reuniting, transporting, heating, stages of housing, habitat, diet requirements and techniques, injuries and disease.

#### **Magpies and Tawny Frogmouths**

Rescuing, reuniting, transporting, housing, habitat, diet requirements, injuries and disease.

#### Lorikeets

Rescue techniques, handling, housing requirements, feeding techniques, identification, disease and injuries. Special requirements for hatchlings to subadults. Spinal patients and their behaviour.

#### **Reuniting and Rescue of Baby Birds**

Training for volunteers able to assist with reuniting baby birds that have been unnecessarily removed from their parents. For anyone who is unable to care for babies this is a perfect way to be able to help. Learn how different species can be reunited.

#### **Native Baby Birds**

Identification, rescue, assessment, handling, feeding techniques, housing.

Recommended for ALL wildlife rescuers/carers.

#### **Caring for Orphaned Mammals**

Recommended for ALL wildlife rescuers/carers.

Prerequisite if you wish to care for orphaned joeys or wish to attend species-specific workshops e.g. Possums (Basic), Gliders and Macropods (Basic).

#### Possums (Basic)

Identification, housing, handling, equipment, feeding, injuries and disease.

#### Possums (Advanced and Pinkies)

Feeding, hygiene, medication, common problems. Included practical necropsy. Suitable for experienced carers.

#### **Gliders**

Identification, housing, handling, equipment, feeding, injuries and disease.

#### Microbats

Identification, handling, rescue, feeding, husbandry and rehabilitation considerations

# Bandicoots, Small Carnivorous Marsupials and Native Rodents

Rescue, handling, assessment, injuries, disease, housing, feeding and hand-rearing considerations

#### Reptiles (including Lizards) (Basic)

Rescue techniques, handling, feeding, housing, equipment, injuries and disease.

#### **Snakes**

Identification, rescue and rehabilitation.

#### **Frogs and Freshwater Turtles**

Identification, handling, rescue, feeding, husbandry, rehabilitation equipment.

#### Wildlife Habitat and Plant Identification (Basic)

Recommended for ALL wildlife carers.

Ecosystems of SEQ, local wildlife food species and native plant identification.

#### Wildlife Habitat (Advanced)

Must have attended basic workshop. Covers regional ecosystems of SEQ with a focus on feeding and release of wildlife, the use of EHP data and websites.

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# **Easy Reference Training Table**

- C = Compulsory training.
- SS = Additional training suitable for both new and experienced rescuers/carers for specific species.
- A = Advanced training for advanced/experienced rescuers/carers.

Courses listed as a Basic course must be completed prior to attending the Advanced course.



Workshop Title/Description	Wildlife Rescuer Only	Birds	Possums	Gliders	Macropods	Bandicoots & Small Mammals	Reptiles (Lizards)	Reptiles (Snakes)	Reptiles (Freshwater Turtles)	Frogs	Echidnas	Koalas
Wildcare Orientation Program	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С
Rescue and First Aid for Native Wildlife (Basic)	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С	С
Wildlife Rescue (Advanced)	Α				Α							С
Wildlife Habitat and Plant Identification (Basic)		SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS
Wildlife Habitat (Advanced)	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α
First Aid for Native Wildlife (Advanced)	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α
Anatomy & Physiology of Native Wildlife	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α
Caring for Orphaned Mammals	Α		С	С	С	С					С	С
Possums (Basic)			С									
Possums (Advanced)			Α									
Possums (Pinkies/Unfurred Joeys)			Α	Α								
Gliders				С								
Macropods (Basic)					С							
Macropods (Advanced)					Α							
Bandicoots, Small Carnivorous Marsupials & Native Rodents						С						
Native Birds (Basic) / Fundamentals of Native Birds		С										
Native Birds (Advanced)		Α										
Native Baby Birds		С										
Reuniting and Rescue of Baby Birds		С										
Tawny Frogmouths		SS										
Magpies		SS										
Ducks and Ducklings		SS										
Lorikeets		SS										
Reptiles (including Lizards) (Basic)							С	С	С	С		
Snakes								С				
Frogs										С		
Freshwater Turtles									С			
Reptile Handling							Α	Α	Α	Α		
Egg Incubation (Reptiles and Birds)		Α					Α	Α	Α			
Echidnas											С	
Koalas (Veterinary Aspects of Koala Rehabilitation)										_		С
Koalas (Infants)												С

# **New Carers**

If you wish to become a **Registered Wildlife Rehabilitator** with Wildcare Australia Inc. (ie attend rescues, care for sick/injured wildlife), you must complete the workshops listed as C (Compulsory) above. Once you have completed these workshops, then you can apply for to Wildcare for a Permit Endorsement for rescue and emergency care.

# **Advanced/Experienced Carers**

As part of your obligation of *maintaining* your Permit Endorsement with Wildcare, you must complete at least one workshop each year for the species that you are caring for. This will enable you to keep up to date with the current methods of care for that species.

# **Reptile Handling Workshop**

with Martin Fingland



#### Date

Sunday 30 August (Wacol)
Sunday 8 November (Sunshine Coast)

#### Time

10.00am to 2.00 pm

#### Cost

\$60.00 per person (cost includes morning tea)

#### What to Bring

Notebook, pen, camera (optional), lunch and water

#### What to Wear

Long thick pants (e.g. jeans)

Boots or strong covered sneakers (no thongs or open shoes or you will not be able to participate in the practical session)

#### Traine

Martin Fingland is an experienced reptile handler and operates Geckoes Wildlife Presentations.

Martin has extensive experience with a large range of Australian native wildlife and is an experienced trainer and well respected in the wildlife industry.

#### **Workshop Format**

- Introduction and short theory session
- First aid for snake bite
- Reptile identification
- Basic reptile handling lizards, monitors, turtles and snakes
- How to catch and secure lizards and snakes
- Some field work with assorted reptiles (including mildly venomous snakes)

Please note that registrations are limited to 10 people per workshop. Preference will be given to current and active WILDCARE AUSTRALIA INC. members. **REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PAYMENT.** 

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Sunday 30 August	(Wacol)	Sunday 8 Novemb	Sunday 8 November (Sunshine Coast)					
REGISTRATION DETAILS								
Name								
Postal Address								
Suburb		Postcode						
Home Number		Mobile Number						
Email Address								
PAYMENT DETAILS								
<ul> <li>Paypal (Preferred Method)</li> <li>Send payment to <a href="mailto:treasurer@wildcare.org.au">treasurer@wildcare.org.au</a>. Please note that you do not need a Paypal account to pay via this method.</li> <li>Ensure that you include a note in the payment "YOUR FULL NAME / REPTILE HANDLING"</li> </ul>								
Other payment methods – Please contact us via email and we can provide you with alternative payment options.								
REGISTRATION CANCELLATION								
As many of our workshops fill quickly, please let us know if your circumstances change and you are no longer able to attend the workshop so that we can offer your place to someone else. This is a simple matter of courtesy to your fellow-volunteers.								
No refund will be issued if cancellation is made less than 21 days before the scheduled date. If cancellation is made prior to this time, a l								

refund may be issued at the discretion of Wildcare. This will be subject to someone taking your place.

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