



RAINFOREST RETREAT, VILLAS
& LOST WORLD SPA

FOREST WEEKEND

OCTOBER 30TH - NOVEMBER 1ST, 2009

Join our visiting experts for an insight into the complex world of the rainforest. Learn about Lamington's part in the 'Gondwana Rainforests of Australia' World Heritage site and the fascinating features that warrant its inclusion. Registration fee applicable.

HOST

PETER O'REILLY SNR

As a second generation O'Reilly family member, Peter is an expert on the plants and animals of Lamington National Park. He is passionate about increasing awareness of preservation, and was a pioneer of ecotourism in the local area. In 2002 Peter was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for his work with the Environment.

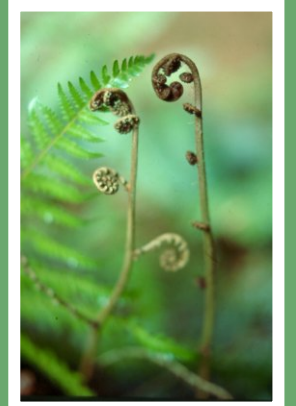
LEADERS

BILL McDONALD

Bill currently works at the Queensland Herbarium and is a leading authority on subtropical rainforest plants and communities. He has a long standing affection for the Border Ranges area, in particular the Lamington National Park, and has been visiting the area for over 30 years.

MELINDA LAIDLAW

Melinda is currently completing a PhD on regional scale patterns in the subtropical rainforests of the Mt Warning Caldera, at the University of Queensland. Since 2005 she has been with the Biodiversity Sciences Unit of the Environmental Protection Agency, including three years at the Queensland Herbarium.



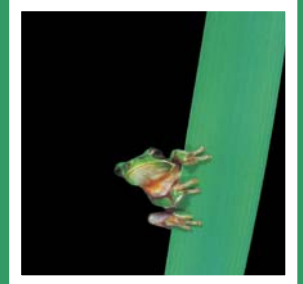
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH, 2009

- 2:00pm Check-in and settle in at leisure
- 6:00 – 8:00pm Dinner
- 8:00pm Introduction and welcome to Forest Weekend (Lounge)



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 2009



- 9:00am GROUP A: Full Day Walk – Albert River Circuit – Lightning Falls and Echo Point (lunch out)
OR
- 9:30am GROUP B: Wishing Tree Track or Elabana Falls (back for lunch)
- 12:30pm Lunch at Retreat Restaurant for Group B
- 2:00pm GROUP B: Moran's Falls
- 6:00 – 8:00pm Dinner
- 8:15pm Presentation: 'Vanishing Rainforests of Borneo – A Tale of Three Forests'
By Bill McDonald



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2009

- 9:00 am Bus to 17V and Kurrajong Lookout – dry rainforest and eucalypt forest
- 11:00 am Morning tea at Kurrajong Lookout
- Return to Guesthouse and (time permitting) inspect secondary rainforest east of car park
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 2:00 pm Identification of rainforest plants (trees, shrubs and vines)
- 4:00 pm Forest Weekend ends



END OF FOREST WEEKEND 2009

Please note: Program subject to change without notice