## How can I help?

Being a part of the Garden Friends is more than just attending meetings - you'll find yourself becoming more involved every day! As well as activities 'on the ground' at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens, the Garden Friends take part in excursions to natural areas around Mackay, visit Botanic Gardens in other towns and cities and enjoy presentations and talks from local and visiting authorities on gardens, flora, fauna and architecture.

You can lend a hand on special event days, help out with our planting, watering and weeding programs, assist with the Visitors Centre meeting locals and visitors to our city that come to see what the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens has to offer - you can even be someone who likes to be involved without participating. Your contribution helps our programs plant new trees and plants -focusing on the sometimes rare and threatened species of the Central Queensland Coast Bioregion.



We can all work together to help the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens grow and grow into the coming decades and make this special place the green heart of Mackay - the heart of Queensland. Please ask us how you can help!



#### Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Friends Association

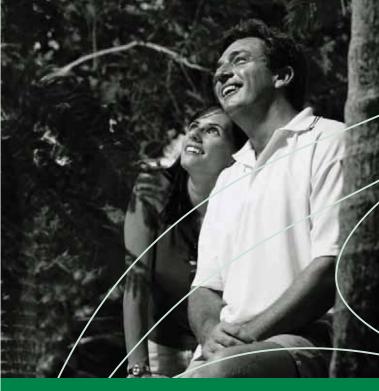
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Become a Friend

of the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens



# Application for Membership of the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Friends Association Inc.

• Surname
First name
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#### Please indicate type of membership:

- Individual \$25
- Family \$30
- Club/Group \$50

#### Financial Year runs from May 1 until April 30

Home/Postal Address (indicate preference)

Postcode
Home Phone
Day contact No.
Email

# I am interested in becoming a volunteer for one of the following activities:

- Visitor Centre
- Walking Guide
- Growing Friend

#### **Payment Information**

Please send this form and your remittance to: The Secretary, Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Friends Assoc. Inc, PO Box 6396, Mackay Mail Centre, Qld 4741.



## Welcome

The **Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens** opened to the public in May 2003 and has become one of nature's 'hubs' in Mackay! Over 33ha of gardens, parkland, lagoons and forests offer locals and visitors unprecidented beauty and knowledge - showcasing our region's native flora. Our Visitors Centre will become the focus for nature based events and information and a focal point for visitors and educational groups here to look, learn, sense and smell! "Being a part of the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens as a Garden Friend has been a rewarding experience. You really feel as though you're putting something in place for our children and grandchildren".

Robin McWhinney



# Who are the Friends?

The **Garden Friends** are a group of like minded individuals who have joined together to help support the Curator and Visitor Services Officer at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens with development and visitor activities. We have Friends who like to get their hands dirty, Friends who enjoy providing guided walking tours for our visitor groups - even Friends who just love to come and sit and enjoy this beautiful part of Mackay! There are activities to suit everyone - no matter your age, interest or fitness level - just ask us!