

## **FIDO's Bush Regeneration Record of Working Bees**

While FIDO had a long history of working on weeds the first big working bee was in Eurong when Easton street area was cleared of all lantana and Cassia. The cassia never returned following that cleanup and truckload of cassia and lantana were removed. The next big assault coincided with Weedbusters Week in 2002 when one team under John C Sinclair with mainly FIDO members worked in Eurong and another team with John Sinclair Snr worked a team of volunteers from Greening Australia focused on Happy Valley.

FIDO's weeding operations gained much more traction from 2005 when volunteers had access to Supe a Troop Carrier to convey people to Fraser Island and to let them see more of the island when they were there, From 2005 to 2010 Laura Simmons FIDO led FIDO's Fraser Island weeding operations in both Eurong and Happy Valley. The precise number and documentation isn't available. .

### **Eurong**

<b>No</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Leader</b>
*	17-27 October 2005	11 days	450	Stephanie Lymburner
*	22 May - 4 June 2006	12 days		Stephanie Lymburner
*	13- 24 May 2007	9 days	213	Stephanie Lymburner
*	7 - 15 May 2008	9 days		Stephanie Lymburner
	9 - 16 June 2007	9 days		Laura Simmons
	18-24 April 2010	7 days		Laura Simmons
	August 2010	7 days		Laura Simmons

The following programs followed John Sinclair's "retirement" from GO BUSH Safaris enabling him to work more on Fraser Island . They were carried out with BMRG financial support. Michael Lowe's work included preparing *Fraser Island Native Garden Planting Guide* was funded by Caring for Country.

	28 August 4 September 2011	7 days		John Sinclair
*	13-19 November 2011	7 days	210	John Sinclair
*	4-10 March 2012	7 days	276	John Sinclair
*	13-19 May 2012	7 days	237	John Sinclair
	14-20 October, 2012	7 days		Michael Lowe
*	25 November -1 Dec 2012	7 days	262	John Sinclair
*	9-15 February 2013	7 days	242	Michael Lowe
*	10-16 March 2013	7 days	266	John Sinclair
*	21-27 April 2013	7 days	289.5	John Sinclair
	26 May -1 June, 2013	7 days		Michael Lowe
*	15-21 September 2013	7 days	225	John Sinclair
*	23 February - 1 March 2014	7 days	245	John Sinclair
*	18-24 May 2014	7 days	259	John Sinclair
*	24-30 August 2014	7 days	400.5	John Sinclair
*	15-21 February 2015	7 days	229	John Sinclair
*	24-30 May 2015	7 days	307	John Sinclair
*	25 July to 1 August 2015	8 days	295.5	Maree Prior
	24 -31 October 2015	8 days		Maree Prior

\* Diaries/Reports available

