

# **Permaculture Cairns News**

## **January 2024 Newsletter**



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## **WELCOME TO PERMACULTURE CAIRNS FOR 2024**

### **PERMACULTURE CAIRNS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**DATE: Saturday 9.30 am on 24th FEBRUARY**

**Venue: Craig's Place, 336 Fearnley St, Manunda.**

**Nomination Forms for positions on committee and Proxy forms are at end of newsletter.**

**ONLY FINANCIAL MEMBERS MAY VOTE.**

**You can join the groups by going to our Web Site –  
[www.permaculturecairns.org.au](http://www.permaculturecairns.org.au).**

**After the AGM there will be talk on what we would like to achieve this year, all welcome to take part.**

**Then there will be a talk while touring Craig's Garden, including aquaponics set up**

**RSVP by 20<sup>th</sup> February for catering requirements**

**Email: [info@permaculturecairns.org.au](mailto:info@permaculturecairns.org.au)**

**Come join with us to vote in a New Committee of keen, active members for 2024. The more active people who commit to the group the more we can achieve during the year. Help us to make it a remarkable year .....**

**Take part in proceedings, share your ideas, make suggestions.**

**Take on a roll, organise a Workshop or Gathering.**

**Offer your garden for a Gathering to share ideas and information.**

**Share your talents, knowledge, and your experiments.**

**Come join with members to build your knowledge.**

**Some Members are trialling Jardam and Korean Natural Farming ideas to improve soils organically for very little cost.**

**Members are also experimenting with various ways to improve soil organically through making and using Compost, cover cropping and keeping Worms for production of Fruit and Vegetables.**

**Some Members are studying the Microbes in the soil and how to increase their numbers. New scientific information has been released on how plants allow microbes into their roots, strip the microbes of the outer casing of proteins and then eject them with sugars to start over again. Fascinating really, seems plants don't really need us just the SUN, Minerals in the soil and the Microbes.**

**Permaculture Cairns, has a lending Library, we attends the Ecofiesta Event in June, has Workshops throughout the year, a day Tour of Permaculture properties with gardens, and a Monthly Newsletter. This year we hope to have more meetings where we can share gardens and information.**

**Last year we completed 6 Workshops - How to garden organically, two of these because of the interest, Keeping and using worms and Making Compost, Planning your Permi Property, Fermenting Vegetables and we looked at the Microbes in the soil through a Microscope.**

# Nomination Form and Proxy Form for Permaculture Cairns Inc. Annual General Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024

If you wish to nominate a person for a position on the Management Committee please complete and lodge by email to [info@permaculturecairns.org.au](mailto:info@permaculturecairns.org.au) or with a committee member by the 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024. The proxy form is to allow you to vote, if you are a financial member and would like to vote but cannot be at the meeting. The proxy form must be lodged with the Secretary before the beginning of the meeting. You must be a financial member to vote at the meeting.

NAME: PERMACULTURE CAIRNS Inc. 2024 AGM NOMINATION FORM

I hereby nominate Permaculture Cairns Member \_\_\_\_\_ for the position of \_\_\_\_\_ (President / Secretary / Treasurer / Ordinary) in the election of office bearers at the Annual General Meeting of the Society to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024 ( or at any adjournment of that meeting).

Name of nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

I hereby agree to accept nomination for the abovementioned position

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 2024 \_\_\_\_\_

## PERMACULTURE CAIRNS INC. 2024 AGM APPOINTMENT OF PROXY FORM

I hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to vote on my behalf as my proxy at Permaculture Cairns Annual General Meeting (or any adjournment thereof) to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Should the first proxy referred to above be unable to attend the meeting,

I appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as an alternate proxy.

I confirm that I am a financial member of Permaculture Cairns Inc. entitled as such to vote at the meeting. I also acknowledge that should I attend the meeting and vote in my own right, my proxy is automatically revoked.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2024

Please note Memberships fees for 2020 are due and payable on the 1st January 2020 and you need to be a financial member to vote at the AGM. Membership Fees: Singles \$20 Family \$30

Permaculture Cairns Banking Details: Cairns Penny – BSB 704 966 Account 100009440

Please remember to quote your SURNAME so we know who is paying.