



# Norman Creek – It's not a drain!!

## N4C protecting and enhancing the ecosystem within Brisbane's Norman Creek Catchment

Norman Creek and its tributaries (listed below) are an important part of your local environment.

### Tributaries

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| ▪ Ben's Hole Creek  | ▪ Scotts Creek       |
| ▪ Bridgewater Creek | ▪ Coorparoo Creek    |
| ▪ Kingfisher Creek  | ▪ Little Swamp Creek |
| ▪ Sandy Creek       | ▪ Mott Creek         |
| ▪ Ekibin Creek      | ▪ Wellers Hill Creek |
| ▪ Perrone Creek     | ▪ Glindemann Creek   |

These streams and their surrounding lands make up the Norman Creek Catchment which is home to a wide range of fish, birds, reptiles and plants. As well as those we can see every day, there is also an important microscopic ecosystem in the creek. Importantly, Norman Creek Catchment is also a part of the Brisbane River Catchment which feeds Moreton Bay.

N4C is a not-for-profit organisation established in 1996 with key members from that time still active now. The group's aim is to improve and maintain the waterways of Brisbane's Norman Creek Catchment by protecting and rejuvenating the local ecosystem.

Our guiding principles are:

- to **protect** and **enhance** the ecological values in our catchment;
- **coordinate** the activities and involvement of governments, residents and groups in our catchment;
- **involve, educate** and **empower** the local community in our catchment.

Members have an opportunity to meet others from their local area, and learn useful knowledge and skills through various training sessions and activities.

### PAST SUCCESSES

- Instigated the Norman Creek 2012-31 integrated catchment master plan and collaborated with Council on its development.
- Widespread participation by community in catchment consultation process.
- Increasing numbers of local fauna and flora.
- 11 project sites which combined cover some 4 km of waterway.
- Produced strategic plans for six of our major project sites with the aim of enhancing waterway corridors.
- Installation of a wetland system in an urban setting.
- Assisting private land owners with restoration work in high value creek areas.

- Involvement of local schools with "on-ground" works that directly fit with school curriculum.
- Finalist in Landcare Award for Demonstration Catchment Project.
- Attracting more than \$1.5m in on-ground works funding from non-Brisbane City Council sources.

### CATCHMENT CHALLENGES

Some challenges faced by Norman Creek Catchment:

- Encouraging the return of native vegetation, creating wildlife habitats and corridors;
- Replacing pipes and concrete channels with natural waterways;
- Slowing and preventing weed invasion;
- Minimising pollution of waterways and monitoring water quality;
- Improving the current water quality rating (as reported annually by Healthy Land and Water);
- Ensuring designers and planners implement best practice where waterways are impacted; and
- Minimising flooding through improved stormwater management while maintaining and enhancing natural ecosystems.

### CURRENT FOCUS & INVOLVEMENT

At present we are engaged with Brisbane City Council on implementing the Norman Creek 2012-31 integrated catchment master plan. This will involve working with Council and the community to bring new projects to fruition.

On-ground works remain a focus of the group to care for our project sites.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

To help achieve this we invite you to do one or more of:

- **become a financial member to assist our activities. Just being on our books is a great message of your support for the catchment.**
- **be involved in planting and maintenance**
- **contribute on the committee or provide administrative assistance**
- **assist with your technical knowledge**
- **get your hands dirty in our community nursery.**

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# MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Your involvement can be as much or as little as you like.

Knowing you care may be all that is required.

	ACTION	MY TIME OR COST	DELIVERS
<b>A</b>	Join an action group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$10/year membership (including GST)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>demonstrates community interest for grants and policy</li> </ul>
<b>B</b>	Planting and maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>from 2-3 hours a month</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>direct improvement to waterways and habitat</li> </ul>
<b>C</b>	Administrative or committee work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admin from 2 hours weekly</li> <li>monthly meeting 2 hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>maintains incorporation</li> <li>professionalism</li> </ul>
<b>D</b>	Technical assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>any time welcomed!</li> <li>ad hoc, project driven</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>critical to knowledge base</li> <li>promotes informed comment when reviewing policy</li> <li>strategic planning</li> </ul>
<b>E</b>	Community nursery work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>from 3-4 hours per month</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>lowers costs for rehabilitation work</li> <li>education and builds knowledge base</li> </ul>

## Office use only:

Date:

Name:

## TAX Invoice & Receipt

New / Renewal (circle)

Membership Fee 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 years \$

(\$10 per year and includes GST)

Donation (GST Free) \$

**Total Received** \$

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

| Methods of payment | Cash | Cheque | EFT (BSB 484-799 Acct No. 047490061) |

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Total Received \$

**Join us – Complete this section and return with payment**  
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<b>Name:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Skill or Occupation:</b>	
<b>Home Address:</b>	
<b>E-mail:</b>	
<b>Contact Phone:</b>	
<b>My Involvement (circle):</b>	A   B   C   D   E
<b>Membership Length (circle):</b>	1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 years (\$10 per year)
<b>Additional Voluntary donation (circle):</b>	\$10   \$20   \$30   \$50   \$100
<b>Payment method (circle):</b>	Cash   Cheque   EFT (BSB 484-799 Acct No. 047490061)
<b>Total payable: \$ _____ (includes membership fee and voluntary donation)</b>	