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Learn how to make a difference to your environment at Ecofest 2024

It's back! Central Queensland's largest environmental awareness event returns for another year of educational and informative workshops, demonstrations, activities and entertainment within the tranquil surrounds of Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

Ecofest will be held from 9am-3pm on Sunday 2 June and will also feature plant sales, food trucks, live music, guest speakers and much more.

Gladstone Region Acting Mayor Natalia Muszkat said Ecofest is centred around World Environment Day and its 2024 theme of 'Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience'.

"This year we are highlighting the World Environment Day theme and how it relates to our region," Councillor Muszkat said.

"Taking care of our environment starts in our own backyard, so by being informed of the best and most up-to-date sustainable practices helps us make the right choices to care for the planet."

Cr Muszkat added that every business, group or individual who is a part of Ecofest has committed to making a change towards a sustainable future and to demonstrate how they are mindful of their environmental footprint.

"This is really refreshing to hear as it shows that if you talk the talk, you must walk the walk when it comes to your impact on the environment," she said.

"If everyone who attends Ecofest can leave and go about making small changes that contribute towards a sustainable future, then we are well and truly on the right track.

"However, if you don't go you won't know, so we'll see you at Tondoon on the first Sunday in June."

Ecofest 2024

WHEN: Sunday 2 June, 9am – 3pmWHERE: Tondoon Botanic Gardens (672 Glenlyon Road, Gladstone)COST: Gold coin entry.

PARKING is available in the industry carpark. People coming from Kirkwood Road and Glen Eden are recommended to park here. Parking is also available in the Meteors Sports Ground. People coming from the north are recommended to park here.

BUSES will be running from various locations throughout the day free of charge. See Council's website or Facebook page for the full schedule.

Remember to bring your own water bottles, reusable coffee cups and shopping bags on the day.

Visit <u>www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/ecofest</u> or <u>www.facebook.com/tondoonbotanicgardens/events</u> for more information about Ecofest 2024. **ENDS**





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