



Landcare Group Name/Individual Clarence valley Conservation in Action Landcare (CVCIA)

Location	Across the Clarence Valley
Duration	Started in November 2008 (became Landcare group early 2009).
Description	CVCIA is a Landcare group of people who are looking to be actively involved in conservation projects across the Clarence Valley.
Projects List or Describe	Projects we are currently working on are invasive animal control projects and threatened animal works.
NRM outcomes	<p>This is the second season of a three season commitment by CVCIA volunteers to make a valiant attempt at reducing the spread of cane toads within the Clarence Valley via manual control. This season CVCIA is also involved in assisting with university research projects on cane toads and commencing some education and work on habitat modification to reduce the breeding success of cane toads.</p> <p>CVCIA is also slowly taking over the management and distribution of traps and data for the Common (Indian) Myna project started by Martyn Swain at Clarence Valley Council.</p> <p>A group of CVCIA volunteers are currently researching the Asian House Gecko issue and are due to report to the next meeting on this invasive animal. Other activities include shorebird monitoring and collection of endangered coastal emu sightings for Gina Hart at NPWS.</p>
Funding sources or Sponsors	This current season we have \$10,000 from CMA to assist with the cane toad project
For further information	<p>The CVCIA Landcare group revolves around electronic technology and members keep in touch via email and text messages. The CVCIA website (www.cvcia.org.au) is the focal point for the group while the Blog (http://cvcia.blogspot.com) shows a record of our activities and photos. You can even follow us on twitter!! http://twitter.com/cvcia .</p> <p>Volunteers are urgently needed.</p> <p>Email Sharon Lehman on Sharon@cvcia.org.au or phone 0411 020 394.</p>



Photo : (left)
There are many junior Landcare members in the CVCIA Landcare group. Bethany Van Haren comes out many Friday nights to collect toads with her father.



Photo (right) – Marie Bains shows off her catch. Get fit, have fun and help out the environment all at the same time! What else would you want to do on a Friday night?