



Landcare Group

Sandon River Rate Payers Inc

Location	Sandon River Village is surrounded by Yuraygir National Park. Access is by four wheel drive from Minnie Waters along South Beach to the Village. Or from Brooms Head to Sandon River camp ground, access by boat only
Duration	The Bushcare group started in 2003
Description	<p>Our group main activity is weed control, maintenance and planting We rely on the expertise of National park Officers and Clarence Valley Council. The direction provided is valuable to all members</p> <p>The benefit is seeing the bush land surrounding the village returning to what many residents remember before the weeds were introduced.</p>
Projects List or Describe	<p>2003-2007 Sandon River Rate Payers and National Parks Joint project to eliminate the Bitou on the headlands and South Beach. Helicopter spraying involved</p> <p>2003- 2007 Joint project with Clarence Valley Council and National Parks, to restore the rain forest that makes up part of the village green space.</p> <p>2008 Clarence Valley Council. Trees were planted in an area near the boat ramp, this prevented further erosion.</p> <p>2009- 2010 Sandon River Rate Payers and National Parks We are currently working in a new area close to one of the rocky headlands. The weed removal and some planting started in December 2009. We have funding to continue working on this site</p> <p>2010- 2012 Sandon River Rate Payers and National Parks a project over two years to remove environmental weeds from the headland, river bank (south side) and two new areas close to the rain forest</p>
NRM outcomes	Native plants are now growing in the areas once covered in weeds. This is attracting the Coastal emu and a variety of birds not seen for some time around the village. Our aim is to remove all environmental weeds and return the bush to a pristine state.

