



FRIDAY ENVIRONMENT FORUM

NPA Environment Centre

01 September

Environmental history: stories and snippets

This week at Friday Forum – 01 September: Noosa Parks Association *welcomes Meredith Walker AM* as the guest speaker at Friday Environment Forum on September 1, 2017. In this illustrated talk, Meredith will present *vignettes of environmental history* showing how humans both shape their environment and are shaped by it over time.



Buderim Holly

An activist for a variety of causes, Ms Walker has a life-time interest in environmental management and people's attachment to land.

There are many ways in which our society investigates and understands the environment. One way is by describing its components: geology, soils, vegetation, and their quality; alternatively by ecosystems; or in terms of values - such as wilderness, or natural and cultural significance; or in terms of change – for example its sustainability.

The stories will come from several towns around New South Wales and Victoria as well as Buderim. Working with Dr Ray Kerkhove, Meredith has researched the history of trees in Buderim and Aboriginal involvement in the timber industry on the Sunshine Coast.

The talk will explore some national parks and nature reserves as well as the seminal books that have described Australia's environmental history.

*Come along to Noosa Parks Association Friday Forum on **September 1** to see and hear about Australia's environmental history. Coffee and a chat are on offer from 10am. Forum starts at 10:00am and ends at 12:15pm. For those interested in an interpretive birding walk before the forum, meet Valda in the Environment Centre car park at 8.30am.*

All welcome.



White figs – (*Ficus virens*)