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## TO HOST NATIONAL TREE DAY SUNDAY 30TH JULY 2023

The Pearl Beach Arboretum (officially known as the Crommelin Native Arboretum) established in Pearl Beach since 1976, is a natural botanic garden open to the public for free. Our Arboretum is a sanctuary for rare and threatened plant species, spanning 5.5 hectares of land in the Pearl Beach community.

The community are invited to experience quiet enjoyment, learn about native flora and fauna conservation, and explore our beautiful museum of living trees at National Tree Day activities.

Families and friends are invited to come along and join our planting on "National Tree Day" on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July starting at 9am. The Arboretum has been donated 100 plants (mainly indigenous shrubs) which we will plant in the Arboretum and in other approved parts of Pearl Beach. We will also have some propagation lessons for those not so active. RSVPs welcome but not essential. <a href="https://treeday.planetark.org/site/10028643">https://treeday.planetark.org/site/10028643</a>

Arborist's Talk and Morning Tea in the Arboretum from 11am. – All welcome Please rsvp by email to <u>pearlbeacharboretum.org.au</u> for catering purposes but not essential.

In addition a Tree Day 2023 Photo / Art / Poetry competition with Prize Money for the best photo and/or artwork of a tree; or poem about a tree!

Best Photo over 16 \$100

Best Artwork over 16 \$100

Best Photo under 16 \$50

Best Artwork under 16 \$50

Best Original Poem or Prose (not associated with a photo or artwork) \$50.

- \* Please submit a high-resolution photo of a tree or a photo of your tree inspired artwork or your tree poem to <a href="mailto:pearlbeachenvironmentgroup@gmail.com">pearlbeachenvironmentgroup@gmail.com</a>
- \* Must be received by midnight Thursday 27 July 2023.
- \* Include your name, email address, phone number and the Title of the Work.
- \* A short paragraph, poem or quote can also be included with a photo or artwork image or it can be on its own.

The decision of the anonymous judges will be final. The images will be displayed on the Arboretum and PBPA websites and via social media. Joint copyright will rest with the Artists, Photographer, Arboretum and Progress Association.

## End:

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