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**SPECIAL EFFORT NEEDED
FOR THIS YEARS NATIONAL
TOAD ERADICATION WEEK.**



**NEW TOADBUSTING
PLANS**

**Yes We
Can Stop
the
impact of
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and we
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EDITORIAL

NATIONAL CANE TOAD ERADICATION WEEK OCTOBER 3 TO 11.

This is a short update for national Toad eradication week.

The Stop the Toad Foundation, the cane toad control group in WA we work closely with, is coordinating a National Cane Toad Eradication week to let Australians demonstrate the capacity of people power to deal with Cane Toads across northern Australia.

Whilst Darwin has led the way in demonstrating that toad management is possible we are keen to support this event so we can increase the public's awareness of the issues relating to cane toad control.

Imagine the possibility if we all decide to have a fair dinkum go at removing toads from habitats, households and communities in the Northern Territory, Queensland and northern NSW in the late dry season.

We are urging everyone to make a special effort this week to remove toads from their area and to report your captures through the FrogWatch website or email them to info@frogwatch.org.au so we can send in the details. We have started with a bust at the Ringwood Project and have 1485 toads as at Monday morning.

The Stop the toad Foundation Great ToadMuster is happening at the moment and I have just returned from the area near the WA border and Lake Argyle. Using fences, such as the one pictured below, as a key element has meant 30000 toads have been captured in the first 2 weeks. A full report on the Muster will follow in the main newsletter.



There will be a series of local ToadBusts during the week and weekend in the Darwin area. Check the website for final details.

NEW TOADBUSTING PLANS

It's ToadBusting time, and FrogWatch is planning a new approach to this as we really push to try to get Zero Toads in the Darwin area and really low numbers across the greater Darwin Region.

The early rains have caused a problem with toads already on the move and some breeding in the top end. Time to be vigilant and make sure the toads that emerge around the area are removed as soon as possible.

FrogWatch people will be conducting ToadBusts each Monday and Wednesday. Volunteers are encouraged to come along and participate in these busts. We will also be doing some ToadBusts on Friday and Saturday nights as in the past. A new schedule will be available through Newsletters and the website.

Information about specific ToadBusts and locations will be on the website each week.

Monday 5 th October 7.15pm	Casuarina Coastal Reserve Meet at the PowerWater pumping station on Rocklands Drive 7.15 pm	Coastal Reserve and Hospital areas Lee Point area
Wednesday 7th October 7.15pm	Marlow's lagoon Car park 7.15pm	Marlow's Lagoon Area
Friday 9th October at 7.15pm	Garden's Golf Links car park Gardens Road Darwin 7.15 pm	Botanic Gardens, Garden's Golf Course. Mindil, Vestey's Beach area and East point.
Saturday 10th October at 7.15pm	Meet near Anglicare, Namarluk Drive 7.15 pm	Ludmilla Creek area Richardson Park and East Point.