

CHATHAM PARK

**A coastal rainforest remnant
being restored and locally
managed by**

**TUROSS LAKES
PRESERVATION GROUP INC.**

This reserve was dedicated back to the
community by early settler,
Hector McWilliam.

Volunteers are welcome.

Join this local community landcare group in
its work at Chatham Park and adjacent
Water Tower Hill.

3rd SATURDAYS – FEB. to NOV.

1.30 pm. – usually at the Trafalgar Rd.
entrance. Check our notice board at the
shopping centre beforehand.

Group Coordinator

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Chatham Park

This seven hectare nature reserve is easily
accessed within the urban area of Tuross
Head.

The map displayed overleaf indicates Park
entrances at Trafalgar Rd. Hood Cres.
Jellicoe Rd. and Sturdee St.

The **walking trails** within the rainforest give
visitors the opportunity to hear the bird life,
view the various rainforest species (some
of which are at their southern most
distribution in NSW) and forget that they
are so close to urban life.

Weed control takes up a great deal of the
time spent by Tuross Lakes Preservation
Group in managing the reserve. Exotic plants
from the urban area can find their way into
the Park from wind dispersal, birds and by
thoughtless dumping of garden refuse.

Fuel hazard reduction is also a major item
on the Group's schedule, especially on the
northern and western borders. Group
members carry out the dead timber to
reduce any necessity for burning off within
the vegetated area.

The Group has added to the diversity of
species by further plantings along the borders.

Tuross Lakes Preservation Group has
attracted funding for the erection of various
interpretive signs and **identification tagging
of the rainforest species**.

The Group will continue to promote the
area as an opportunity for **passive
recreation study by high school students
and research organisations**.



Water Tower Hill

The Group is also developing the western
side of the **adjacent Water Tower Hill** as a
viewing area for the **magnificent panorama
of ocean, lakes and mountains**. The area
is being revegetated so that the views
remain intact whilst a bird life corridor is
developed from bushland nearby on
Tuross Lakes, to bushland in Chatham
Park.

With sufficient support from the
community this bushland complex of
Chatham Park, Water Tower Hill and
other adjacent foreshore reserves, can
become a major tourist attraction for
Tuross Head, as well as for the enjoyment
of local residents.

Water Tower Hill working bees are held at
9 am. on the **FIRST SUNDAY** of the month.

CHATHAM PARK RAINFOREST NATURE RESERVE TUROSS HEAD

