

## Friends of Kinaba

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**Vision**: To see the Kinaba Information Centre as a vibrant community-run information and project facility which involves and benefits the Community, Visitors and National Parks.

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## Community picnic rally a success!

Organised by the Friends of Kinaba steering committee, the picnic day held on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August at Kinaba (Sir Thomas Hiley) Information Centre, was to reinforce the community's dedication to keeping Kinaba open to the public and continuing its duty as gateway to the Noosa Everglades (a.k.a Upper Noosa River).

Kinaba Information Centre is a weathered building on the northern shores of Lake Cootharaba, a 15 minute boat ride from Boreen Point, Noosa. In July last year, a proposal was submitted to the National Parks service (which currently maintains the Information Centre) for the Friends of Kinaba community group to, under supervision of the National Parks, maintain and upkeep the iconic building.

The Friends of Kinaba community group was formed in June 2011 on the announcement of the possible tendering for use of the Kinaba Information Centre, which would leave the building open to applications by commercial operators. It is the vision of the Friends of Kinaba to keep this unique building available to the public, as it was originally donated for this purpose.

Kinaba holds great value to the community as not only being the source of 30 years of history for the Noosa Region, but it also serves its duty as gateway to the Noosa Everglades within the Great Sandy National Park (Cooloola area).

This unique and pristine environment, of which the Kinaba building is a part of, has been treasured by biologists, adventurers and nature-lovers alike. The building serves as a comfortable rest point for travellers (including clients of small local businesses) to and from the Noosa Everglades, and provides vital information to visitors of the National Park.

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