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## Media Release

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### **Local conservationist rewarded with Land For Wildlife registration**

Local Sarina resident, Mrs Jeane Gearing is passionate about the environment and she has been an advocate for conserving the natural environment for many years. Mrs Gearing was recently rewarded for her conservation efforts on her own property, by becoming registered with the Land For Wildlife Program.

Mrs Gearing has gained valuable plant identification and revegetation knowledge through her long standing membership and volunteering with Sarina Landcare Catchment Management Association (SLCMA). Since purchasing her property, Mrs Gearing has applied this knowledge to establish a native bush garden and rehabilitate existing native bushland. Her greatest challenge has been the removal of lantana and other environmental weeds and is currently improvising her planting techniques to accommodate the resident bush turkeys.

Mrs Gearing's conservation efforts are helping to enhance the local environment and protect important remnant woodland and associated native wildlife. Like other landholders participating in the Land For Wildlife program, Mrs Gearing will continue to receive support and advice to carry on rehabilitating and maintaining her own special piece of Australian bush.

The Land for Wildlife Program is a free voluntary program that encourages and assists landholders to provide habitat for wildlife on their property. The program is funded by the Mackay Regional Council's Natural Environment Levy and is delivered by Sarina Landcare Catchment Management Association (SLCMA) in the Sarina Catchment. For more information please call SLCMA on 4956 1388.

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