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## Numbats in the Neighbourhood

Tuesday, **17<sup>th</sup> March 2020**  
4.30pm - 7pm

**McDougall Hall**  
Lions Dryandra Woodland Village,  
Dryandra

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4:20	Registrations	
4:35	<b>Welcome to Country</b>	<b>Travis (Jock) Abraham</b> Elder
4:45	Welcome	<b>Melanie Durack</b> PHCC
4:50	<b>Video</b>	<b>Sally Box</b> Threatened Species Commissioner
4:55	<b>Numbat Recovery in Dryandra</b>	<b>Tony Friend</b> on behalf of Numbat Recovery Team
5:15	<b>Feral Animal Hotspots and What's Next?</b>	<b>Peter Lacey</b> Parks and Wildlife Service (DBCA)
5:25	<b>Numbat Breeding Program – What does it mean for Dryandra</b>	<b>Peter Mawson</b> Perth Zoo (DBCA)
5:40	<b>Numbat Neighbourhood Project</b>	<b>Melanie Durack</b> PHCC
5:50	Speed Dating Session (2 mins each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Project Numbat</b> - What we do</li> <li>- <b>They are still out there!</b> Raising awareness about Numbats</li> <li>- <b>Helping our Threatened Species</b> - A farmer's perspective</li> <li>- <b>Barna Mia</b> Overview</li> </ul>	<b>Committee Member</b> Project Numbat <b>John Lawson</b> Numbat Taskforce <b>Rob Harris</b> Local Farmer <b>Christine Townsend</b> PHCC
6:00	Q&A	Panel Members
6:30	Light Supper	
7:00	Leave for <b>Barna Mia</b> Nocturnal Animal Sanctuary ( <i>Optional one hour tour commences at 7:15pm</i> )	

## Our Presenters

**Tony Friend** has been working to boost numbat numbers in Dryandra Woodland since 1981, when little was known about the species or why it was rapidly declining towards extinction. He showed that at that time, predation by foxes was the major extinction factor and that fox control and more recently, cat control were necessary for the persistence of this iconic animal in Dryandra. Tony lives in Albany and is passionate about preventing the extinction of the numbat and restoring populations across its former range.

**Peter Lacey** has worked with DBCA for the last 16 years coordinating conservation activities across the Wheatbelt with an emphasis on southern Wheatbelt reserves and fauna. Prior to this, Peter spent 11 years working in agricultural research in the Wheatbelt and 4 years as an Aquaculture Development Officer. Peter sees the protection of sites like Dryandra Woodland and its fauna and flora as paramount in the conservation of WA's natural environment.

**Peter Mawson** currently works as the Science Program Leader at Perth Zoo within the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, and is an Adjunct Professor at the School of Biological Sciences, University of Western Australia. Peter does research in Zoology, Genetics, Ecology and Animal Welfare.

**Melanie Durack** is the Program Manager for the Hotham-Williams subcatchment of the Peel-Harvey NRM region. Mel has been with PHCC since 2014 and is responsible for delivery of the Numbat Neighbourhood project, preparing and implementing a river action plan and river health studies, the Tunbridge Gully Boddington project, supporting delivery of the Greening Farms project and many other community NRM projects. Mel grew up on a farm in the local area and has a background in Environmental Science.