## YANDINA COMMUNITY GARDENS

Due to the current COVID situation we had to postpone our field trip to Sunshine Coast community gardens. So we are bringing the gardens to you - starting with Yandina Community Garden. YCG President Robyn was kind enough to discuss their fantastic garden with us.



The gardens started in 2002 and apply permaculture design principles to help demonstrate positive, sustainable living. The site, originally several disused tennis and basketball courts now consists of the "Blue House" education centre, surrounding food gardens, a terrific shade house, food forest, compost bays and area for their plant sales.

Examples of sustainable living include the Blue House's solar panels, a solar hot water system, composting bays, worm farm and straw bale shed. The garden really is a credit to all the members and volunteers.

Thank you to Robyn for taking the time to showcase Yandina's wonderful community garden, hopefully we can all head up there in the near future. Also, thank you to Yvonne for contacting the garden and collecting info for our field trips.

## MFFT "OSCA"

Last issue we announced the news that we were successful in acquiring OSCA, Well here he is!

The dilemma will be keeping OSCA fed. Well, we have some good news on that front. The wonderful crew at MELSA trains on Bribie Island have a bit of a problem, but luckily one that we can help each other with. Their site has a lot of trees, and they need to keep the grounds as tidy as possible. They clear over 10 tonnes of leaves each year and have offered as many of these as we like. Also, Irene at Irene's Greek Kitchen has agreed to donate all kitchen scraps and coffee grounds to help keep OSCA fed. Thank you MELSA and Irene. We hope to get other community minded businesses and groups on board with this initiative as well.



## BECOME A MEMBER OF BEACHMERE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Have you thought about becoming a member of Beachmere Community Garden? We now have a number of membership categories to offer, there's sure to be one to suit you!

The memberships available are: Adult, Junior and Family membership Adult membership options: Voting, Volunteer and Supporter member

Check out the website for more info on becoming a member.

## Yandina Community Gardens are located at:

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Now that's a worm farm!



An espaliered mango tree with an olive tree to the left that is just beginning the same process. What a great use of space.



/ery cool pizza oven.



Weeds are placed into bins for several weeks to kill seeds and produce a wonderful "weed tea" to use on the garden.