Expression of Interest (EOI)

Friends of Freycinet Schouten Island working bee 2025

**Thank you for your interest**

* Please read the Schouten Island Information booklet first
* Return this form by **Tuesday 30 September**
* Send the completed form by return email to: friendsoffreycinet@gmail.com

 include your surname in the file name ie Expression of Interest Schouten Island 2025\_Baulis

* If you haven’t been on a Friends of Freycinet working bee in the past 3 years please tell us a little about yourself and your experience in your return email
* Offers to participants will be made by **15 October 2025**
* Volunteers must be over 18 years of age

The 2025 Schouten Island working bee is scheduled to run from 3 December to 16 December.

This working bee concentrates on the removal of gorse by hand weeding on Schouten Island.

Volunteers are to select from the following options. These options may vary depending on weather conditions and numbers applying. Be prepared for changes.

**Option One** - Wednesday 3 December to Tuesday 16 December. Volunteers will be asked to meet for a briefing on Wednesday 3 December at 2pm at Freycinet National Park. Camping will be available at Richardsons Beach, Freycinet prior to transfer to the island on Thursday 4 December, returning on Tuesday 16 December.

**Option Two** - Wednesday 3 December to Wednesday 10 December. Volunteers will be asked to meet for a briefing on Wednesday 3 December at 2pm at Freycinet National Park. Camping will be available at Richardsons Beach, Freycinet prior to transfer to the island on Thursday 4 December, returning on Wednesday 10 December.

**Option Three** - Tuesday 9 December to Tuesday 16 December. Volunteers will be asked to meet for
a briefing on Tuesday 9 December at 2pm at Freycinet National Park. Camping will be available at Richardsons Beach, Freycinet prior to transfer to the island on Wednesday 10 December, returning
on Tuesday 16 December.

Please indicate your preferences in the boxes below, ie 1 for first preference, 2 for second etc. If you are not interested in doing a particular option, please leave that box blank.

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| Option | Dates | No of days | Preference |
| Option One  | 3 December to 16 December, 2025 | 14 days |  |
| Option Two | 3 December to 10 December, 2025 | 8 days |  |
| Option Three | 9 December to 16 December, 2025 | 8 days |  |

**PERSONAL DETAILS OF APPLICANT/S**

**APPLICANT ONE**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Surname** |  | **First name** |  |
| **Mobile phone number** |  | **Age group***(delete what’s not appropriate to you)* | 18-24; 25-34; 35-44,45-54,55-64, 65-70; 71+ |
| **Email address** |  |

Please complete the following (if it is ‘Yes’, delete the ‘No’ and visa-versa):

Are you a current member of [Wildcare](https://wildcaretas.org.au/) YES / NO

Do you have a current [Tasmanian Parks](https://parks.tas.gov.au/explore-our-parks/know-before-you-go/park-passes-and-entry-fees) pass YES / NO

Have you registered as a volunteer with the [Department of Natural Resources
and Environment Tasmania](https://nre.tas.gov.au/about-the-department/volunteering/volunteer-registrations) (Parks) YES / NO

Have you completed the [NRE Tas Keeping Children Safe](https://nre.tas.gov.au/about-the-department/volunteering/volunteer-child-and-youth-safety-and-wellbeing) training\*\* YES / NO

I have read the Volunteer Code of Conduct (see last page of this form) YES / NO

**APPLICANT TWO**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Surname** |  | **First name** |  |
| **Mobile phone number** |  | **Age group***(delete what’s not appropriate to you)* | 18-24; 25-34; 35-44,45-54,55-64, 65-70; 71+ |
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I have read the Volunteer Code of Conduct (see last page of this form) YES / NO

\*\* All NRE Tas Volunteers are required to complete the NRE Tas Keeping Children Safe training prior to participating in volunteering activities with the Department, this includes the Schouten Island working bee, whether or not there is a possibility of children being involved in the volunteering activity. This covers you for all Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Groups that you may be involved in, so you only need to do it once. It is not onerous; you do need to read the “[Keeping Children Safe training document](https://nre.tas.gov.au/about-the-department/volunteering/volunteer-child-and-youth-safety-and-wellbeing)” and then tick the box in your MyImpact page under Qualifications-Training acknowledging that you have read it.

If the above link does not work past the following into your browser: https://nre.tas.gov.au/about-the-department/volunteering/volunteer-child-and-youth-safety-and-wellbeing

The other option is you can read the documentation at the brief and sign off on the paperwork on the day.

**Volunteer code of conduct:**

NRE Tas volunteers are expected to act in accordance with the principles of Section 9 of the *State Service Act 2000 (the State Service Code of Conduct).* Department volunteers are expected to uphold these principles by:

* Behaving honestly and with integrity;
* Performing duties with care and diligence;
* Treat everyone with respect and without harassment, victimisation or discrimination;
* Comply with all applicable Australian law and any lawful or reasonable direction by a Department Supervisor and/or authorised Volunteer Team Leader;
* Maintaining confidentiality when dealing with any sensitive information acquired during the course of volunteer duties;
* Utilise Government resources responsibly;
* Behaving in a way that does not adversely affect the integrity and good reputation of the State Service, including social media use.

Inappropriate behaviours will be subject to a review in accordance with the NRE Tas Issues and Grievance Resolution process. A significant breach may result in a volunteer's registration being cancelled.