



The Wet Tropics Management Authority's *Science in the Pub*:

Ants: the good, the bad and the crazy

Exploring the fascinating role of ants in the Wet Tropics with ant expert Dr Kirsti Abbott.

We don't often give much thought to ants, except perhaps when they invade our houses. However, the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area is home to a huge range of ant species, many of which play important and diverse roles such as dispersing seeds and defending plants from insect attack.

The Wet Tropics Management Authority invites you to find out more at its second *Science in the Pub* event.

Date / time	Thursday 1 November, 5.30–7.00pm
Venue	Cape York Hotel, 147 Bunda Street Cairns
Free event	Register now at bit.ly/PubAnts18 . Limited places available—get in early to secure your entry!

Keynote speaker: Dr Kirsti Abbott

Dr Abbott is an ant expert and science communicator with a passion for inspiring younger generations to connect with their inner insect lover. She cut her scientific teeth at James Cook University investigating the effect of the Papaya Fruit Fly Eradication Program on rainforest insects, and now leads the *UNE Discovery Program* at the University of New England.



Speaker: Mr Gudju Gudju Fourmile

Gudju Gudju is a Gimuy Wulubara Yidinji Traditional Owner, tribal ecologist and director of Abiculture. He will give his unique perspective of ants on country and Abiculture's involvement in the Authority's *Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program*.

Welcome to Country will be given by Gudju Gudju and a representative from Yirrganydji people.



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