

## **Blackbutt Reserve Wildlife Keeper x 2**

- Permanent Full Time - 38 hours per week

We have an opportunity for two suitably qualified and experienced individuals to join the team at Blackbutt Reserve as a Wildlife Keeper.

This busy role will see you working effectively with volunteers, park staff and contractors to deliver efficient and effective maintenance of Blackbutt Reserve and wildlife exhibits. You will work as a team to plan, develop and deliver presentations and programs to a range of audiences (including schools and community groups) both on and off site.

Utilising your strong communication skills, you will produce and maintain detailed records, including daily wildlife reports and diaries, as well as provide information to customers and visitors.

You will plan your time wisely to ensure you are always working productively, with allocated tasks completed whilst minimising inconvenience to public amenities during works or activities.

To be successful in this job you will have:

- Sound knowledge and formal qualifications covering the areas of captive native animal care, animal husbandry and quality wildlife park maintenance. Relevant, recent experience will also be considered appropriate.
- Well-developed communication skills, both written and verbal, and experience in the provision of technical advice to users of the facility, internal service providers, and the broader community.
- Ability to work in a team based environment and the promotion of such teamwork.
- Proven ability to maintain accurate written records, daily reports and dairies.
- Proven ability to plan and perform onsite and offsite environmental educational activities with reptiles. Provide direction and leadership to volunteers to deliver effective presentations and activities
- Experience in the safe operation of horticultural and turf maintenance machinery / equipment / tools and ability to administer regular minor machinery maintenance.
- Proven ability to undertake general park maintenance activities to desired standards, efficiently and effectively.
- Ability to work independently and work a flexible roster including weekend shifts and after hours activities. Working unsupervised using initiative and problem solving skills to overcome daily issues.
- Current Class C Driver's Licence (Manual) and Working with Children clearance.

Newcastle City Council proudly promotes the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities and fosters a culture of diversity to represent the community of our Local Government Area.

All candidates will be assessed against the selection criteria outlined in the position description. Suitable candidates may be placed on an eligibility list for future identical positions for a period of 12 months.

Remuneration: Circa \$54,885 + 9.5% Superannuation per annum for a 38 hour week.

For further information please contact Petra Freeman - Bushland Officer - 4904 3344

For more information or to apply online, go to;

<https://www.seek.com.au/job/34795773?type=standard&userqueryid=db09bfbd24a2f432c325312d05f50741-1832785>

**Applications close: 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**