

Maze koalas send 'cuddles' to their wild cousins

September is Save the Koala Month and The Maze Family Fun Park is holding a *Cuddles for Koalas* event to support the Australian Koala Foundation (AKF).

Cuddles for Koalas is the AKF's 2011 fundraising campaign for Save the Koala Month and they are encouraging everyone to hold a 'Cuddles' event or adopt a koala to help raise funds to save the wild koala and its habitat.

Deborah Tabart OAM CEO of the Australian Koala Foundation said it was a great initiative by The Maze and she hoped that it would encourage others to 'Cuddle for Koalas'.

"We are so pleased The Maze has chosen to support Save the Koala Month and we are encouraging everyone during the month of September to go to savethekoala.com and either register their Cuddles event or adopt a koala to help save the wild koala and its habitat"

Bullsbrook Mayor, Charlie Zannino will officially open The Maze's new Koala Exhibit at 2pm, Sunday 25th September and members of the public are encouraged to come along to the sausage sizzle and make a donation to the AKF to help save the wild koala and its habitat.

General Manager of The Maze, Phil Dixon, explained why supporting Save the Koala Month is so important;

"Many people don't realize that koala habitat is disappearing, supporting the Australian Koala Foundation through Save the Koala Month will help raise much needed funds to support their work and ensure that we protect koala habitat and in doing that, protect the wild koala population."

The Maze promotes education of koala habitat, threats and population numbers through their 'Koala Experience' presentations.

Normal entry fees to The Maze apply.

To find out ways to help the Australian Koala Foundation save our koalas, visit the website at www.savethekoala.com.

Official opening of The Maze's new Koala Exhibit: 2pm, Sunday 25th September

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