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Stallholders required for CQ's largest environmental awareness event

Preparations are underway for this year's Ecofest event and potential stallholders are encouraged to show their interest.

Stallholders can register their interest in securing a site at Central Queensland's largest annual environmental awareness event, to be held at Gladstone's Tondoon Botanic Gardens on Sunday, June 4 from 9am to 3pm.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said stallholders had until Friday, May 12 to fill out and submit a registration form.

"Preference will be given to those who demonstrate their environment initiatives and credentials in line with this year's theme - Be Great to Our Barrier Reef," Councillor Burnett said.

"Stallholders must be environmentally friendly and sell recycled or reusable products, or be following environmentally friendly practices."

Council's Environment and Community Services Committee Chair Councillor Cindi Bush said this year marked the 18th anniversary of Ecofest.

"This year's event aims to educate attendees about the negative and positive impacts humans have on marine life," Cr Bush said.

"Encouraging our younger generation to seek ways to mitigate the pollution and degradation of the marine environment takes time, but we need to start somewhere.

"It's important for our region to act as a positive role model so future generations can enjoy the Southern Great Barrier Reef."

To download a stallholder registration kit visit Council's website www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/ecofest

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