Koala stranded seeking shelter in Redcliffe

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This Koala was stranded on a barbed wire fence in Redcliffe as the rain came down on Tuesday, January 24. *Source:* Quest Newspapers

As the rain poured down and the king tide rose this morning, Redcliffe's human residents were not the only ones looking for shelter.

A young koala became stranded while trying to escape the rain near the Redcliffe Leagues Club, prompting a frantic rescue attempt.

Moreton Bay Regional Council workers Jill Pinter and Suzie Campbell spotted the confused koala perched on a barbed fence outside the club.

"We were driving along and saw him there and just had to stop to help the little fella out," Ms Pinter said.

"It looks like he's become a bit confused in this weather and while trying to find somewhere dry he's become stuck here"

Ms Pinter said she hoped he wouldn't get hit by a car.

"This rain is so so heavy and I just fear that drivers wouldn't see him if he tried to cross the road," Ms Pinter said.

"We will stay with him until the Pine Rivers Koala Rescue come and get him and we urge drivers to just drive slowly and keep an eye out for our furry friends on the road."

To report stranded on injured koalas or native wildlife phone Pine Rivers Koala Rescue on 0401 350 799 or Moreton Bay Koala Rescue on 0401 080 333.