



Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife

Year in Review 2014



Caring for Australia's natural and cultural heritage since 1970

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Photo front cover: A rare stand of mature Plum Pine *Podocarpus elatus* on NSW PLCG recipient Phillip Greenwood’s property in Gloucester. The grant will help Phillip install conservation fencing to protect the area. Photo: Margo Pickworth.

About the Foundation

OUR VISION

To be Australia’s foremost philanthropic partner for national parks.

OUR MISSION

To care for Australia’s natural and cultural heritage through purchasing land for conservation and funding environmental education and conservation projects.

The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife was established in 1970 by the then Lands Minister of New South Wales, the Honourable Thomas Lancelot Lewis AO, who later became the state’s Premier.

The Foundation was set up to act as the wholly independent fundraising arm of the state’s newly created National Parks & Wildlife Service. During this period the Foundation’s scope was New South Wales-wide.

In 2000, the Foundation’s members voted to amend its constitution so that the organisation could expand its work Australia-wide.

The Foundation is an apolitical non-government organisation which acts as a fundraiser and a grant maker. It partners with people from not-for-profits, government, business, and the community to work toward the achievement of its mission.



FOUNDATION ACHIEVEMENTS

In its history, the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife has:

- added over 500,000 hectares of high conservation value land to Australia’s National Reserve System – including land for many national parks in New South Wales, Queensland, and South Australia.
- funded conservation projects to benefit over 70 of Australia’s threatened plant and animal species – including the Koala, Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby, Orange-bellied Parrot, Corroboree Frog, Southern Cassowary, and many more.
- provided hundreds of grants to private landowners, not-for-profit organisations, national park agencies , and community groups to undertake weeding, tree planting, wildlife corridor establishment, and habitat restoration.
- funded the conservation and celebration of almost 30 cultural heritage sites and stories, including Captain Cook’s Landing Place in Kamay Botany Bay National Park, Fort Denison in Sydney Harbour National Park, and archeological research into the human remains of Mungo Man (believed to be over 40,000 years old) at Mungo National Park, and many others.
- annually engaged over 30,000 Australians with high-quality, free, environmental education materials, through the Backyard Buddies program, which encourages urban and suburban dwellers to turn their backyards into safe and thriving habitats for native animals and plants.

The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife thanks our many supporters over the years, who are our partners in conservation. Without their support, none of this would have been possible.

President’s Message



The Foundation in its 44th year had many significant milestones to mention, not least of these were the new grant programs that were opened up, the significant land purchases added to the National Reserve System, a new ambassador joined to represent the Foundation, and new staff members and partners who joined our growing organisation.

Having been appointed in 2013 as President, after Peter Janssen retired

from his role — I take it as a real honour and privilege to lead this amazing Foundation which has such a strong and credible record and history. With Peter Janssen retiring from his role as President he agreed to stay on for a year to ensure a smooth transition and subsequently retired as a Director in 2014. We will miss his valuable insight and counsel which he gave to the Foundation for over eight years and we wish him the very best for his future.

2014 saw the expansion of two separate grants programs. For the first time the Foundation partnered with the Victorian Trust for Nature to open the Private Land Conservation Grants to Victorian as well as New South Wales landholders. Across both programs over 70 applications were received for private land grants which were then assessed by an independent panel. These grants are available to any private landholders with voluntary protection agreements on their land.

The Foundation and the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative also expanded our collaborative grants with the creation of two new grant programs. The new GER Kanangara-Boyd to Wyangala (K2W) Grants was a big undertaking in 2014 with 31 grant recipients in its first year. The GER NSW Landcare Grants were also begun in 2014 in celebration of Landcare Australia’s 25th birthday and saw \$100,000 going towards community based groups, helping improve our natural environment. Many of the successful grant projects have featured in media publications throughout the year, helping the Foundation reach a wider audience and increase people’s awareness of these new grants. I look forward to seeing all the positive outcomes of these two new grant programs.

I am incredibly proud of the land purchases the Foundation was able to secure in 2014. For the very first time, the Foundation helped purchase land in South Australia, paving the way for future additions to Australia’s Natural Reserve System across our country. A staggering five land purchases in South Australia received money from the Foundation and two more properties were purchased in Queensland’s Daintree Rainforest with help from the Foundation.

Throughout 2014 the Voluntary Heritage Estates Land Project, administered by the Foundation, continued to buy back environmentally valuable lots from landholders. I am proud to say that almost 50% of the lots have now been purchased and in 2015 the Foundation will be waiting to see if a government extension will allow for even more of these properties to be permanently added to our national parks.

The Foundation was involved in a lot of events during 2014. I had the pleasure of running 10 km with the CEO Susanna Bradshaw in the Blackmore’s Sydney Running Festival. We both trained for the event and with the help of other runners managed to raise over \$5,000 for the Foundation.

A new ambassador signed up to help promote the Foundation. I warmly welcome Anthony Stimpson to our group of eight ambassadors. Anthony is the founder of Australian Wildlife Displays, an educational display of native Australian animals. During 2014 Australian Wildlife Displays entertained at the Sydney Skinny, the Sydney Easter Show and some of the Middle Head Corporate volunteer days on behalf of the Foundation.

Unlike some environmental organisations, the Foundation only purchases land with a high conservation value. This allows the Foundation to focus on protecting more environmentally significant land and means that you, the supporter, are getting the best possible value for your donations.

A quick summary of the stand-out achievements the Foundation made in 2014:

- Over \$1.7 million was spent on environmental projects and grants across Australia.
- Just under \$170,000 was spent on improving our national parks and making them more accessible and enjoyable places to visit.
- \$1.4 million was spent on growing our national parks and land and water conservation projects.
- Over \$200,000 was committed to saving Australia’s threatened species.
- The Backyard Buddies program continued to generate supporters and raise funds for the Foundation with over \$200,000 received through the sale of the Backyard Buddies toys.
- Our social media network has grown significantly with a new Backyard Buddies Instagram and Twitter account. Altogether our organisation now reaches over 5,000 followers.

We welcomed three new staff members into our growing organisation this year, a new Grants Manager – Jennie Morgan, a new Communications Officer – Felicity Harvey, and a new Project Manager – Shirley Kirkwood. I welcome these new staff members on board and thank all the staff for their hard work and dedication to the Foundation.

In 2015 we will be continuing to focus on growth and expanding our networks so that we build our revenue base to allow us to increase the number of projects, protect more endangered species, increase our national parks land mass and deliver on our ambitions. We have a number of new Directors joining our Board and the skills we acquire through these members will make us an even stronger Foundation that will prepare us for the future.

Thank you to my Fellow Board members for their unwavering support and dedication, the numerous committee members who give of their time and knowledge and our dedicated staff with whom we could not achieve what we have without their passion and commitment.

Thank you to all our supporters and donors for allowing us to achieve our ambitions as an organisation and helping the Foundation achieve the great results in 2014. I look forward to an exciting and rewarding 2015.

Mr Garry Browne AM,
President

2014 - A Year of Events



From left: 1) Volunteers planting on a corporate day at Middle Head 2) CEO Susanna Bradshaw and President Gary Browne after their Blackmore's Run. 3) Costa lends a hand at a corporate volunteer day. 4) 'Totally Wild' filming in Manly. 5) Australian Wildlife Displays at the Sydney Skinny.

2014 was a great year for events that the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife was involved in. There were several new events as well as continuing the success of annual events. As the Foundation rarely spends money on advertising, these events are a great way to get the Foundation's name out and have positive interactions with the public.

For the very first time, the Foundation held an online auction in April to raise money to support conservation projects. The Foundation received numerous auction items from generous donors and businesses such as holidays, artworks and experiences. Altogether close to \$7,000 was raised from this auction.

The Foundation was selected as an official charity partner of the Blackmore's Sydney Running festival in July. Both the Foundation's CEO and President trained and took part in the 10 km race, along with other fundraisers. Together the runners raised over \$5,000 in funds.

'Totally Wild' approached the Foundation in 2014 to do some possible stories on our Sydney-based projects. They were able to film the project at Manly looking after the Little Penguins and the Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby breeding program in Waterfall Springs.

For the second Sydney Skinny nude swim event, the Foundation was once again the charity partner. Held in February on Cobblers Beach the fun, relaxed swim encourages people to embrace their natural side. There were several people fundraising for the Foundation on the day and over \$8,000 was raised through the event.



The Foundation is the proud charity partner of Sydney Skinny, an event aimed at helping people reconnect with nature. Photo: Felicity Harvey.



Foundation CEO Susanna Bradshaw and the New South Wales Minister for the Environment The Hon. Rob Stokes MP. Photo: Joel Ibbetson

On an early Sunday morning in March, the Balmoral Triathlon Club staged a kids-only triathlon. Participants were encouraged to raise money to help the Manly Little Penguins by donating money to the Foundation. \$800 was received from entry fees. The Foundation also received funds from the sausage sizzle and individual fundraisers who were later invited to come to the Totally Wild filming of the project to see where their fundraising went.

In May the National Parks & Wildlife Service held a Heritage Festival Open Day at Middle Head in Sydney to reopen the site's historic fortifications to the public. The Foundation held a sausage sizzle to raise funds.

On the 14th November, Ms Bradshaw, CEO of the Foundation and Ranger Melanie Tyas of the NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service attended the IUCN World Parks Congress in Sydney to present an e-poster about the success of Landcare Australia's Corporate Environmental Volunteering Program.

Throughout the year the Foundation and Landcare Australia hosted several corporate environmental volunteer days involving many different companies such as Telstra, Konica Minolta, Deutsche Bank, and Fujitsu who helped weed, paint, clean and improve our beautiful parks. Often held at Middle Head in Sydney, they also helped improve areas such as Lane Cove National Park and Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. Costa Georgiadis from 'Gardening Australia' came along to help out at Portuguese Beach corporate day.

2014 PROJECTS	APPROVED	PAID
Land and Water Conservation		
Private Land Conservation Grants Program 2012-2014 (NSW, VIC)	\$1,141,024	\$385,501
Great Eastern Ranges Grants (NSW)	\$1,062,050	\$714,638
Voluntary Heritage Estates Land Project (NSW)	\$61,067	\$174,920
Fairylands Bush Regeneration (NSW)	\$17,500	\$8,409
Private Conservation Land Monitoring & Support Program (NSW)		\$10,285
Littoral Rainforest - Forresters Beach (NSW)		\$5,000
Yarrahapinni Wetlands Reinundation Project (NSW)	\$93,500	
Deal Island Weed Management, Erosion Stabilisation, and Restoration (TAS)	\$12,727	\$12,727
Protection of Four High Biodiversity Areas (SA)	\$15,000	\$14,806
Habitat Restoration of the Endangered Stony Knoll Shrubland (VIC)	\$15,524	
Kangaroo Island Land Purchase (SA)	\$20,000	\$20,000
Daintree Rainforest Purchase (QLD)	\$20,000	\$20,000
Restoring Seabird Habitat, Big Island (NSW)	\$15,000	
Taylors Bay Bush Regeneration (NSW)	\$13,500	
Native Plant & Animal Conservation		
Threatened Flora Surveys Harbour South (NSW)		\$7,900
Murray River Turtles (NSW)		\$6,000
Population Ecology of the Endangered Hooded Plover (NSW)		\$20,000
Cape Solander Whale Migration Study (NSW)		\$2,700
Marine Mammal Incident Response (TAS)	\$8,000	
National Malleefowl Recovery Coordinator Position (SA, VIC, NSW, WA)		\$5,000
Monitoring Malleefowl Populations (VIC)	\$10,835	\$10,835
Coomonderry Swamp Surveying, Assessment, and Enhancement (NSW)	\$15,000	
Threatened Flora Link Species Recovery (TAS)	\$15,000	
Save the Orange-bellied Parrot (TAS)	\$13,436	\$13,436
Manly Little Penguins (NSW)	\$20,000	
Green and Golden Bell Frog Habitat Creation (NSW)	\$12,683	
Understanding Translocation Success for the Spiral-fruited Wattle (WA)	\$12,800	\$11,636
Endangered Species Insurance Enclosure at Uluru (NT)	\$50,000	
Brush-tailed Rock-wallabies (NSW)	\$52,850	\$18,032
Paddy Pallin Science Grant (Marine) - (WA, QLD, NSW)	\$14,000	\$14,000
Parks for People		
Sydney Harbour Corporate Volunteering (NSW)	\$80,000	\$80,000
Nunock Swamp Interpretations (NSW)		\$7,336
Ecology, Impact and Control of Cane Toads on the Southern Front (QLD)		\$20,000
Cecil Hoskins Nature Reserve (NSW)		\$30,000
Kukundi Nature Play Precinct (NSW)	\$30,000	\$7,568
Blue Mountains Memorial - Josh Furber (NSW)	\$3,800	\$1,900
Territory Wildlife Park- Interpretation and Signage (NT)	\$15,000	\$15,000
Lane Cove Corporate Volunteering (NSW)	\$16,586	\$7,133
Cultural Heritage Conservation		
Visitor Centre for Bruny Island Quarantine Station (TAS)	\$11,818	\$11,818
Yorktown - Retracing their Steps (TAS)	\$5,091	\$5,091
Gogerly's Cottage Restoration and Signage (NSW)	\$15,000	
Environmental Education		
Backyard Buddies Environmental Education and Awareness Raising Program (AUSTRALIA-WIDE)	\$75,846	\$75,846
Caught on Camera (VIC)	\$15,000	
Connecting with Conservation Communities (AUSTRALIA-WIDE)	\$9,091	
Total	\$2,988,728	\$1,737,517

Growing Parks & Reserves



From left: 1) The Eastern Bristlebird is found in the Heritage Estates. Photo: David Cook. 2) Land has been added to Kangaroo Island’s protected areas. Photo: Arthur Chapman. 3) Southern Cassowaries are better protected with the Daintree Rainforest land purchases. Photo: Dave Sutherland.

KANGAROO ISLAND LAND PURCHASE, SA

In 2014, the Foundation helped permanently protect land on Kangaroo Island. This was the first time the Foundation had been involved in a land acquisition for the National Reserve System in South Australia. \$20,000 was granted to help purchase this biodiversity-rich property.

The 168 hectare property includes pristine, intact woodland that is home to several vulnerable species and ecological communities. The land also consists of the entire De Mole River Catchment. This entire catchment area has now been added to the neighbouring Cape Torrens Wilderness Protection Area, increasing its size to over 1,000 hectares. Being able to protect an entire river catchment system in one land acquisition is an incredibly rare opportunity.

Of the 200 known plant species on the property, 17 are of conservation significance such as the vulnerable Splendid Bush-pea or the endangered Robust Spider-orchid. The property also supports threatened animal species like the Heath Goanna, Glossy Black Cockatoo, and the Scarlet Robin. There are also endangered ecological communities on this property, such as the Silky Tea-tree Closed Shrubland in non-saline wetlands and the Water-ribbons Herbland in freshwater wetlands.



The land purchase on Kangaroo Island contained the entire De Mole catchment area. Photo: Nick Neagle.

TWO DAINTREE RAINFOREST LAND PURCHASES, QLD

In partnership with Rainforest Rescue, the Foundation gave \$20,000 to secure the purchase of two beautiful Daintree Rainforest properties. This land was set to be developed, however they will now serve as important wildlife corridors between developments.

With increasing urbanisation, the spread of development is encroaching on vulnerable habitats and species. Cassowaries and tree kangaroos are two such species forced to live closer and closer to more urbanised settings as rainforests are cut down for housing. Both of these threatened species had been found on both properties, showing the need to protect the land.

Many people assumed the creation of the Daintree National Park World Heritage Listing would protect this unique environment, sadly however at the same time a large residential subdivision was being approved.

Connectivity is essential to the well-being and survival of the Daintree Rainforest unique and threatened flora and fauna. This land will extend tracts of habitat for movement and genetic diversity.



Beautiful areas of rainforest have now been protected from development and will create important wildlife corridors. Photo: Karen Woulfe.

PROTECTING FOUR BIODIVERSE AREAS, SA



The beautiful Thidna Conservation Park on the Yorke Peninsula will be expanded thanks to a significant land purchases. Photo: Nick Neagle.

Following the successful land purchase on Kangaroo Island in South Australia, the Foundation committed \$15,000 towards the purchase of four more properties with high biodiversity value in the state, in partnership with the South Australian government.

These acquisitions are very significant as they secure habitat within South Australia’s NatureLinks corridors. The NatureLinks program aims to connect land between existing conservation areas, helping create wildlife corridors to protect the state’s plant and animal species. These corridors allow different species to move from place to place, helping to increase their genetic diversity and ability to escape natural disasters like bushfires. These areas are now safe from development.

The four properties are spread out between the northern Eyre Peninsula, Yorke Peninsula, arid lands near the Ediacara Conservation Park, and Lake Eliza in the south east. All together these properties cover approximately 25,000 hectares, which have now been added to permanent conservation parks. The protection of these properties has helped secure the future of many vulnerable species such as the Malleefowl, Fairy Tern, Swamp Antechinus, Hooded Plover and vulnerable shrublands and woodlands.

HERITAGE ESTATES UPDATE, NSW



The Heritage Estates ‘paper’ subdivision borders Jervis Bay National Park and is home to vulnerable plants and animals. Photo: Marshal Hedin.

Heritage Estates is a ‘paper’ subdivision that acts as a natural wildlife corridor between Booderee National Park and Jervis Bay National Park.

All three levels of Government have come together with the Foundation to protect this 180 hectare high conservation area. Since the start of the project in 2012, nearly half of the lots within the Estate have been purchased for addition to Jervis Bay National Park. This land will be permanently protected and managed for conservation.

The Foundation offered to buy lots in Heritage Estates with the \$5.4 million funding from the Australia Government’s Caring for Our Country program, up until 9 December 2014 for \$5,000 per lot. The Australian Government is currently considering an extension to the Project so the Foundation can purchase those lots that remain in private ownership.

Heritage Estates contains a wide range of species and allows them to travel between Booderee National Park and other habitats. Developing it would isolate the species, making it a much less healthy ecosystem. Adding these lots to the national park will provide security to the habitats of 26 threatened species known to exist in the area including the endangered Eastern Bristlebird.

Protecting Your Land Forever

If you own a property that is home to many native species, and which you would like to see protected beyond your lifetime, there are a few options you may wish to consider.

You can place a voluntary conservation agreement on your property, so that current and future owners of your land will be restricted in what they are allowed to do to the land, and will also be obligated to manage the property for conservation purposes.

Alternatively, you may wish to donate the land to the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife.

Unlike other not-for-profit organisations, the Foundation does not hold land to manage for conservation. The Foundation instead seeks a partner to manage each property for conservation in perpetuity, so that regardless of what happens to the Foundation in the future, your land will continue to be protected. The Foundation often finds in perpetuity land management partners in state national park agencies, or local councils who can permanently change zoning over land.

The Foundation is the only organisation in Australia whose philanthropy is an investment in our public estate, for all to enjoy.

As well contributing directly to the conservation of nature in Australia, land donors often enjoy significant tax benefits in regard to their donation of property to the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife, which is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) covered by items 1 and 4 of the table in section 30-15 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Habitat Conservation & Wildlife Corridors



Clockwise from left: 1) A nest box installed on a recipients property. Photo: Felicity Harvey 2) Grant recipients carrying out tree planting. Photo: Warwick Deacock. 3) PLCGs help landowners improve their bush properties. Photo: Peter & Jill Madden. 4) Surveying plants. Photo: Jane Baldwin.

PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION GRANTS, NSW & VIC

For the first time the Foundation has opened up its Private Land Conservation Grants to Victorian landholders in 2014. These grants are available to private landholders with voluntary protection agreements on their land, to assist them with conservation works like bush regeneration, installing nest boxes or conservation fencing.

The first Victorian grant round received 12 applications, of which 93% were awarded a grant. This was a great start to the grants program and the Foundation looks forward to continuing to grow this network in the future. For the New South Wales grant round, 61 applications were received, 77% of which were awarded funding. All of these grants are offered as a one, two or three year basis.

The Foundation thanks the landholders and the grant partners (Community Environment Network, Diversicon Environmental Foundation, Nature Conservation Trust of NSW, NSW Environmental Trust, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, NSW Local Land Services, Paddy Pallin Foundation, and Wildlife Land Trust) for their work in these conservation projects to help protect our biodiversity.



Tom and Ann Raine have used their PLCG to help restore natural bushland on their property. Photo: Felicity Harvey.

GREAT EASTERN RANGES GRANTS, NSW

In 2014, the Foundation received over \$1 million from the NSW Office of Environment & Heritage and the NSW Environmental Trust to manage three grant programs on behalf of the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (GER). They were the Partner Grants, the NSW Landcare Grants and the Kanangara-Boyd to Wyangala (K2W) Grants. The purpose of these grants is to achieve better conservation connectivity in NSW.

The Foundation and Landcare NSW received \$100,000 through the Environmental Trust in 2014 to celebrate the Landcare movement’s 25th birthday. Eight Landcare groups in New South Wales benefitted from these grants in the program’s first year.

The K2W Grants were given to community groups and private landholders. 31 grants were made out to a wide variety of groups and landholders such as Mr & Mrs Faulkner who have used the grant to install exclusion fencing around three hectares of land to create an important wildlife corridor with native plantings.

The Partner Grants with GER began in 2013 and have been administered by the Foundation since then. In 2014 over \$374,000 was granted to eight organisations to assist conservation projects linking wildlife corridors and improving biodiversity.



Jali Local Aboriginal Land Council received a GER Partner Grant to help them with ecological burns. Photo: Jane Baldwin.

IMPROVING SYDNEY’S BUSHLAND, NSW



This Foundation funded project is removing weeds along a section of the Lane Cove River to help the local wildlife. Photo: Jason Baker.

2014 was the third year of this project and the Foundation committed a further \$10,000 to cover 240 hours of bush regeneration along the banks of the Lane Cove River in Sydney.

This project was following up on the 2013 work. Contract bush regenerators and volunteers from Friends of Lane Cove National Park have been working together to remove invasive weeds like the Balloon and Madeira Vine, privet and Lantana.

The effect of weed growth along this section of the Lane Cove River can be felt not just by the native plants that become smothered, but also by the animals who lose prime observation perches near the water and suitable habitat to live in. This project has already helped native species to fight back against the weeds.

RARE SHRUBLAND RESTORATION, VIC



The threatened Growling Grass Frog is found in these shrublands. Photo: Department of Environment and Primary Industries.

Over \$15,000 was granted to a project improving the quality of a rare ecological community in south west Victoria.

The Dreeite Nature Conservation Reserve in the Victorian Volcanic Plains Bioregion and it contains large areas of the endangered Stony Knoll Shrubland. It is being affected by invasive pest plants like the Toowoomba Canary Grass and Tall Wheat Grass.

The invasive grasses were sprayed with herbicide and weed matting was laid down to help prevent them re-establishing. 1,500 native grasses are being grown to revegetate the bare ground. This work will help endangered species like the Corangamite Water Skink and the Growling Grass Frog.

DEAL ISLAND CONSERVATION, TAS



Deal Island is very remote so weed removal can be difficult which is why the Foundation has awarded this grant. Photo: James975 (Flickr).

In 2014 \$14,000 was granted by the Foundation to Wildcare Friends of Deal Island. This grant is helping remove several destructive weeds on Deal Island, off the northern coast of Tasmania.

This Friends group has been treating and removing large areas of weeds from the island such as Sea Spurge, Ragwort, Mullein and Arum Lily. 2014 and 2015 are crucial times for this project as secondary weeding is removing new germinations and will have a more lasting impact. Erosion stabilisation is also being carried out.

Two big working bees have been organised for this project. Due to the island’s remote access, planes and boats are needed to bring volunteers over as well as equipment and tools for the volunteers to use, all of which are covered by the grant.

YARRAHAPPINI WETLANDS, NSW



Projects Committee member, Margo Pickworth visited the Yarrahappini project with ranger Penny Kendall. Photo courtesy of Margo Pickworth.

In 2014 the Foundation granted a further \$93,500 to a significant wetland habitat re-construction project that it has been involved for many years.

This wetland area was once estuarine, regularly flushed out with tidal waters. Due to flood mitigation works in the 1970’s, man-made drains and levees transformed the wetland, leaving much of it dry or brackish, and devastating local species.

This project is bringing back the natural processes by first installing a temporary and then a permanent structure that will regulate tidal and freshwater flows. Over time this will help the natural regeneration of the mangrove estuaries and improve the water quality and increase fish populations.

Saving Threatened Species



Clockwise from left: 1) Ranger Lisa checks over a Little Penguin chick. Photo: Felicity Harvey. 2) A specially designed Orange-bellied Parrot nest. Photo: DPIPWE. 3) Teaching children and volunteers about the Malleefowl. Photo: Peter Stokie. 4) A tiny turtle hatchling. Photo: Ricky Spencer.

SAVING AUSTRALIA'S RAREST BIRD— THE ORANGE-BELLIED PARROT, TAS

In 2014, the Foundation gave \$14,780 to the Wildcare Inc. in Tasmania to help the survival of the incredibly rare Orange-bellied Parrot (OBP).

The OBP is one of only two migratory parrots in the world. They fly to Tasmania to breed in summer and then fly to Victoria for winter. This is an epic journey for a pint-sized bird and stresses from land clearing and an increase of introduced predators mean that there have been less and less making the journey each year.

With these funds provided by the Foundation, a gentle release aviary has been installed to help with the release of captive-bred OBPs. The installation of new nest boxes designed to keep pests out and be easily cleaned to stop diseases spreading were also constructed with the funds. Cameras have been set up to monitor the birds using the nests and measure the nests' effectiveness.

In 2013 just 18 pairs made the journey from Victoria to Tasmania but now thanks to this project, over 34 pairs have returned, effectively doubling their wild population. More birds will be added through further captive releases and successful breeding.



One of the rarest birds in the world received some important assistance with new nesting boxes and captive releases. Photo: DPIPWE.

CAMPAIGNING TO SAVE THE BRUSH-TAILED ROCK-WALLABY, NSW

In 2014 the Foundation ran a big campaign to raise much-needed funds for a very special and endangered marsupial, the Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby (Brushies).

These timid wallabies have suffered a massive population decline of up to 97% in the last 130 years. They were once common all the way along the Great Dividing Range however due to hunting, foxes and habitat removal, these Brushies need all the help they can get to survive.

The Foundation is working with the NSW Office of Environment & Heritage to raise funds for the captive breeding and release of Brushies into the wild to help boost their wild population and increase their genetic diversity.

Waterfall Springs Wildlife Sanctuary is one of the main breeding centres in New South Wales. There are a numerous costs associated with the process of breeding these endangered wallabies and getting them ready for release into the wild. This project will be able to help with expenses such as antioxidant-rich food pellets, radio collars, traps, and surveillance cameras.



Money from this fundraising campaign will be put towards bringing this rare wallaby back from extinction. Photo: Michael Van Ewijk.

THE NORFOLK ISLAND GREEN PARROT



Tim Flannery visited the Green Parrot project when he went to Norfolk Island to film for 'Coasts Australia'. Photo: Matt Jones.

Back in 2013 the Foundation gave over \$13,000 to help set up predator-proof nest sites and cameras for the protection of the endangered Norfolk Island Green Parrot.

Rats were one of the biggest threats to the Green Parrot because they had easy access to the eggs and the young birds inside old tree hollow nests. Rats were kept out by making the nest entrances smaller and surrounded by a slippery metal.

In 2014 the population was effectively doubled with the successful rearing of well over 30 chicks. Professor Tim Flannery visited the island in 2014 to see the project firsthand and said, "Without ongoing work, we will certainly lose this species. Few conservation projects are as important as this."

MURRAY TURTLE MONITORING, NSW



The Long-necked Turtle is one of the Murray River species that will be studied in this project. Photo: Robyn Ardill.

In 2014 the Foundation gave \$36,000 towards a population study to assess the health and population size of three main freshwater turtles in the Murray-Darling system.

This study will bring together researchers from the University of Western Sydney to help shed some light on the impact of river damming and fox predation. DNA analysis will also be used to determine how widely the turtles move about. The data collected from this project will be used to develop a management plan to ensure a safer future for these important turtle species.

As part of the study, an app has been created for citizen scientists called TurtleSAT. People can note information about turtles they have seen so that 'hot spots' of turtle activity can be focussed on.

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS KOALAS, NSW



There has been an increase in Koala sightings in the Southern Highlands, this project will help us understand more about them. Photo: Thomas Brodhag.

The Foundation is raising funds to purchase ten GPS trackers at \$3,800 each. These trackers are in response to an increase in Koala sightings and activity in the area.

The Wingecarribee Shire Council and the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage are working together to undertake the satellite tracking of these collars. They will help locate and map the Southern Highlands Koala population. This project will give land managers the information they need to make better decisions on land use for Koalas to live, eat and move around in comfortably.

So far several donors have come forward to purchase these trackers and the collars are due to be placed on wild Koalas in 2015. This will be a very careful process, carried out by trained professionals.

MONITORING MALLEEFOWL, VIC



The big Malleefowl population study took place last year and will help shed some light on this shy bird. Photo: Colin Cook.

The Foundation gave over \$10,000 to the Victorian Malleefowl Recovery Group to carry out an in-depth Malleefowl survey.

The Malleefowl is a shy, ground-dwelling bird that can blend in very well with its arid environment. Despite its camouflage, threats from foxes, goats, rabbits, and land clearing, have resulted in the Malleefowl being listed as endangered in Victoria.

This project began in October 2014 and monitored 40 sites and more than 1,200 nesting mounds using GPS tracking. The aim of this undertaking is to obtain scientifically accurate data on the breeding trends of this very cryptic bird. The data collected from this project is used by government agencies for Malleefowl conservation planning.

TIGER SHARK RESEARCH, WA



Luciana is studying the movements and diets of Tiger Sharks so we can understand them better. Photo: Kevin Bryant.

Since 2012, the Foundation has funded research projects related to marine conservation under the Paddy Pallin Science Grants program, administered by the Royal Zoological Society of NSW.

One of the Foundation’s Marine Science Grants awarded this year was to PhD candidate Luciana Ferreira of the University of Western Australia. Luciana received a marine grant to help her study Tiger Sharks off the coast of Western Australia. Luciana is looking at the shark’s diets and describing their migratory patterns by deploying satellite tags on the sharks. Combining the diet analysis with the movement patterns, Luciana will be able to show the effects of food availability on Tiger Shark movement patterns. This information will help plans to minimise shark attacks on Australia’s beaches.

GREEN AND GOLDEN BELL FROGS, NSW



These striking frogs are sadly endangered, which is why a new habitat is being created for them in Ulladulla, NSW. Photo: Will Brown.

Over \$12,000 was granted to a project on the south coast of New South Wales that is creating a large habitat area for the endangered Green and Golden Bell Frogs.

These beautiful frogs have decided to live and breed in ponds at the Sussex Inlet Sewerage Treatment Plant. This is a risky place for these frogs as they are very susceptible to pollution. This project is creating more suitable habitat in a nearby disused quarry. The quarry is being restored into a safe, clean environment by constructing four ponds and revegetating the area with native plants. There is a wildlife corridor linking the two sites that will allow the frogs to move away from the sewage plant and into a safe environment.

STUDYING SURF ZONE FISH, NSW & QLD



The underwater BRUV camera is a crucial part of Andrew’s research and provides information about fish species. Photo: Andrew Olds.

The Paddy Pallin Science Grants offer up to \$7,000 to help support marine research. These grants are open to early career researchers and PhD candidates.

Andrew Olds received a marine grant for his project on fish stocks in surf zones. Surf beaches comprise of 70% of the world’s coastline and supply a large amount of global seafood. Despite this there is little known about ecology of the fish in these surf zones. Using a baited underwater camera (BRUV) that is driven by remote control and followed by satellite, Andrew will be able to record fish attracted to the baits and quantify the effectiveness of coastal conservation initiatives. The results will improve planning decisions on coastal zone management.

SPIRAL FRUITED WATTLE RESCUE, WA



The rare Spiral Fruited Wattle needs the assistance of carefully controlled fire to help it germinate. Photo: Leonie Monks.

In 2014 \$12,800 was given to the Department of Parks and Wildlife for help increasing the translocated population of the very rare Spiral Fruited Wattle, *Acacia cochlocarpa*.

Plant translocations are increasingly being used to prevent the extinction of some of our critically endangered plants. However without follow up management these species may not have the necessary second generation recruitment.

Fire is a key factor in creating new generations of many Australian plants such as this acacia. This project is undertaking a regeneration burn to promote the seed dispersal of this rare acacia and undertaking follow up research to measure the success.

BIG ISLAND SEABIRD RESCUE, NSW



Jennie, the Foundation’s Grants Manager visited Big Island to help survey nesting birds like these Little Penguins. Photo supplied by Jennie Morgan.

In 2014, \$15,000 was given by the Foundation to a project on Big Island off the coast of Wollongong, New South Wales.

Big Island is an important breeding location for several seabird species. Unfortunately, due to severe weed infestations, there has been a big decline in the number of birds using this site. The weeds form an impenetrable barrier for Little Penguins and shearwaters who need to dig burrows for their nests. Even if they manage to make a burrow, they can become tangled in the weeds and die.

This project will be remove over 80% of the island’s weeds by helicopter spraying and community volunteer days. Once the weeds have died back, there will be over 6,000 native plants planted on the island.

MANLY LITTLE PENGUINS, NSW



In 2014 the Foundation continued to support the Manly Little Penguin colony, as it has done for many years. Photo: JJ Harrison.

As part of ongoing support for the last mainland penguin colony in New South Wales, the Foundation has given \$20,000 to support local volunteer wardens and rangers to help them continue their good work, protecting the Little Penguins.

These funds were used to purchase new mooring buoys to keep boats away from nesting sites and install informative signs aimed at improving the public’s awareness of this important colony. Volunteer Penguin Wardens who help protect the penguins during breeding season received equipment and uniforms from the grant. New nest boxes were also installed to provide the penguins with safe places to breed within Sydney Harbour National Park.

THREATENED FLORA RECOVERY, TAS



The Black-tipped Spider Orchid, *Caladenia Anthracina* is one of the vulnerable plants that will be assessed in this project. Photo: Tim Rudman.

\$15,000 was given by the Foundation in 2014 to Wildcare Inc. for the management and recovery of threatened and endangered flora in Tasmania.

There are almost 500 threatened flora species in Tasmania and many of these require a range of management strategies to ensure their survival.

The grant is being used for threat assessments, extension surveys, on-ground works to mitigate these threats and monitoring the populations of threatened flora. There will also be conservation works to create viable orchid populations for sale in nurseries, dramatically increasing their chances of survival. The in-depth surveys aim to re-discover lost flora species.

GROWING KOALA HABITAT, QLD



The Redlands community planting days were such a big success in 2014 that an extra day was added to the program. Photo: Michael Maher.

The Foundation has been funding community planting days in Brisbane to help grow back critical Koala habitat. Redland City Council and the Koala Action Group received \$11,640 to carry out these planting days throughout 2014.

Throughout the year a total of seven days were successfully run with over 2,800 native plants added to the Redlands parks and suburban areas to help combat the destruction of Koala habitat for development. At some of the planting days, volunteers were rewarded with the discovery of some local Koalas watching them.

Initially only six planting days were planned but due to the success and demand, the Redlands City Council funded an extra day and 1,000 extra plants.

Parks for People



Clockwise from left: 1) Wentworth Falls. Photo: VernPics (Flickr). 2) New footbridge is part of the track upgrades in the Blue Mountains. Photo: Tim Lanyon. 3) The Agile Wallaby. Photo supplied by Jasmine Jan. 4) Corporate volunteers lend a hand. Photo: Michelle Cooper. 5) Flying Foxes. Photo: mcdexx (Flickr).

JOSH FURBER MEMORIAL, NSW

In 2013-2014, \$3,800 was raised by the family of Josh Furber for a memorial bench to be constructed in Wentworth Falls, Blue Mountains National Park and also for the local police to purchase specialised equipment for rescue missions in the national park.

The memorial was set up to remember Josh who tragically lost his life on the Den Fenella Wentworth Falls walk. In January 2013 Josh and his friends were enjoying a picnic at the popular tourist spot in the Blue Mountains. Josh was on holidays from England and had been having a wonderful time in Australia.

Unfortunately during his visit, Josh lost his footing near the waterfall and fell. The Furber family and friends were devastated by the news and wanted to see Josh remembered in a meaningful way. The Den Fenella track in Wentworth Falls now has a bespoke bench where people can sit and enjoy the views of the Jamison Valley as well as new signs for the ‘Furber’ steps walking track.

The local police rescue team also greatly benefitted from Josh’s family’s donation. They were able to purchase a specialist rescue stretcher, cliff rescue equipment, communications equipment and night-time marking devices. This equipment will directly assist in many future remote-area and cliff rescue missions.



Improvements to the Dan Fenella track at Wentworth Falls commemorate Josh Furber’s life in perpetuity. Photo supplied by Jayne Furber.

UPGRADING KUKUNDI PLAY AREA, NSW

In 2014, \$30,000 was granted by the Foundation, with the support of Landcare Australia and Jemena, to upgrade the Kukundi play area in Lane Cove National, New South Wales. The Lane Cove National Park is an important natural area in Sydney and this project will help improve the habitat for native plants and animals and offer a better space for people too.

The initial stages of this project saw around 40 corporate volunteers give the flying fox enclosure a lick of paint, put in some new plantings for screenings and buffers, remove unused concrete paths, move a large water dragon sculpture into the playground area, construct bushwalking tracks and a clear a lot of weeds through bush regeneration in the surrounding areas. This initial work has already seen an increase in visitation numbers to the area.

The project has created a much more enjoyable outdoor space for visitors and a better habitat for native species. The next stage will involve creating an engaging children’s play area to help them to learn about their natural environment in a natural setting.

The Grey-headed Flying-fox rehabilitation enclosure will be improved so that Sydney Wildlife Service can better use the area to help this threatened species be released back into the wild.



Corporate volunteers giving the flying fox enclosure a nice new paint job. Photo: Michelle Cooper.

WOODLAND WANDERINGS, NT



New signs and seating will allow visitors to get more out of the woodland area and listen to zookeeper talks. Photo supplied by Jasmine Jan.

In 2014 the Foundation granted \$15,000 to the Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory for assistance with an educational project for visitors. The project involves the construction of interpretive signs and seating areas at the park in order to encourage learning and create a space for zookeeper talks for visitors.

A predator-proof enclosure was set up in the park to protect native mammal species like the bandicoot and different macropods, such as kangaroos. This enclosed area has previously been underutilised. This project will increase the space useage by installing interpretative signs to follow along a loop walk through the woodland area. There will also be a covered seating area for visitors to sit and eat while enjoying their surroundings and zoo keepers can use the area for nocturnal and macropod tours.

Over 50 schools in Darwin and surrounding rural areas often visit the park. These school children, along with thousands of tourists and locals will now be able to better use this beautiful space.

WALKING TRACK UPGRADE, NSW



Before and after photos of a section of the Den Fenella Track showing the new stepping stones. Photos: Tim Lanyon.

In 2011 the Foundation received a very generous donation of close to \$70,000 from the late Prudence Mary Angell. This bequest was left with the purpose of preserving and maintaining tracks in the Blue Mountains where Ms Angell did a lot of bush walking.

The Den Fenella Heritage Walking Track was chosen to receive the bequest and, combined with Your Community Heritage funding from the Australian Government, a massive track upgrade was carried out in 2013 and completed in 2014.

The Den Fenella track is one of the most popular tracks in the Blue Mountains and as a result the wear-and-tear it experiences meant it was in need of upgrading and maintenance. The track improvements were a massive undertaking requiring specialist contractors and tools, heavy materials and even the use of a helicopter to deliver over 300 loads of materials. In total 165 timber and 136 stone steps have been added, along with one new footbridge and 166 metres of new safety barriers have been added, making the track safer and more enjoyable for all visitors.

Protect Australia’s Natural Gifts

After taking care of loved ones, many people leave gifts in their Wills for the charities and causes they have supported or admired over the years. Is this something you would like to consider?

By including the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife in your Will, you can ensure that future generations will be as lucky as you have been.

Your gift will:

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- conserve and communicate cultural heritage;
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Environmental Education



From left: 1) A selection of competition entries from the Backyard Buddies Facebook. 2) A ranger installs a cat trap to help protect the Brush-tailed Rock-wallabies. Photo: Deb Ashworth. 3) A photo sent in of nest boxes in the Wattagan National Park. Photo: Ian Harvey.

BACKYARD ENVIRO EDUCATION

Backyard Buddies is an environmental education program run by the Foundation. Since 2008, it has been giving people tips on how to make their backyards and local areas friendlier places for native plants and animals.

In 2014 Backyard Buddies grew its Facebook followers from 2,143 in January to almost 3,000 in December. Backyard Buddies has also been growing its social media presence by starting a Twitter and Instagram account.

A new range of Collector Series toys were added to the Backyard Buddies lineup in 2014. Start your own collection by calling the Backyard Buddies Adoption Centre on 1800 283 343.

Funds raised through the sale of Backyard Buddies toys are used for conservation projects. In 2014 the Foundation received over \$200,000 through the sale of the toys and direct donations.

Backyard Buddies is a free program that gives subscribers a monthly newsletter (B-mail) about animals they're likely to see in their backyard each month, and how to help them. It also releases a fact sheet on a different species and educates Australians through media releases each month.



Backyard Buddies is one of the Foundation's most popular programs. It provides environmental education Australia-wide. Photo: Michelle Shaw.

LEARNING ABOUT BRUSHIES, NSW

The Foundation has been working with the Friends of the Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby and the NSW Office of Environment & Heritage to help save Brush-tailed Rock-wallabies. \$11,080 was given by the NSW Environmental Trust to assist an education project.

The project is focussing on the Shoalhaven area, one of the few areas of New South Wales where these endangered wallabies can still be found.

To help increase understanding of the Brushies plight, Park Rangers will give talks to primary and secondary students with a specially designed education program that involves a classroom presentation, an accompanying class workshop and an interactive fieldwork exercise to be undertaken on school grounds.

Fox and feral cat removal will also be assisted with the help of this grant. These pests pose a great threat to the Brushies' survival which is why the project will be using cat and fox traps to reduce their numbers and give the Brushies a fighting chance. Monitoring of the traps and animals caught will be carried out. This data will be presented to local schools to show students that the foxes and cats are a real problem in their area and increase the communities awareness.



Educating school children on the plight of the Brushies is a great way to engage the community and help the wallabies. Photo: Shirley Kirkwood.

CAUGHT ON CAMERA, VIC



Volunteers receiving training on how to bait the motion sensing cameras. Photo supplied by Caitlin Griffith.

In 2014 the Foundation gave \$15,000 to the Victorian National Parks Association for their Nature Watch program's project on community education.

Following a pilot project in Bunyip State Park in 2013, Caught on Camera has now been established in three locations across Victoria. These projects are monitoring the effects of bushfire on local mammal populations.

The project carries out community based, long term monitoring of wildlife using motion sensing cameras. Volunteers from the community are shown by scientists how to install the cameras and baits and how to read the camera results. Helpful online guides have also been created to assist community groups. A major unexpected outcome of this project has been the discovery of threatened species in new areas.

2014 Media and Communications Statistics

The Foundation continued to grow its media presence:

- The Foundation created two new social media pages to attract supporters and increase our audience. You can now follow the Foundation on Twitter and Facebook and the Backyard Buddie program on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Over 5,000 followers were reached in 2014.
- The Foundation's media releases reached a circulation of 9.2 million people.
- 335 articles mentioning Backyard Buddies and 78 articles mentioning the Foundation were published throughout the year.
- Facebook supporters grew from 3,185 in December 2013 to 4,428 in December 2014.
- Over 18,000 subscribers received their free B-mail newsletter each month and over 6,000 people subscribed to receive the Foundations project updates in the PAWS newsletters.

In the Media



Preserving & Celebrating Cultural Heritage



From left: 1) The Royal National Park in Sydney. Photo: Justine King. 2) Jakob Anderhandt in front of one of the alpine cottages. Photo: Sonja Beckerhoff. 3) The Opening Day at Bruny Island. Photo: Peter Williams. 4) Volunteers helping with the planting at Yorktown. Photo: Prue Wright.

HIKE FOR HUTS, VIC, NSW & ACT

In 2014 husband-and-wife hiking team, Jakob Anderhandt and Sonja Beckerhoff, approached the Foundation with a novel idea. They wanted to use their 718 km walk across three states to fundraise for the historic huts of the Australian Alps. Setting up their own website, they directed friends and interested parties to donate to a dedicated ‘Hike for Huts’ donation page on the Foundation’s website.

Their big, 51 day hike took them from Victoria, through New South Wales and into the Australian Capital Territory. They managed to raise over \$2,200 to go towards restoring the Alpine huts.

The small huts built along alpine routes in different states offer a glimpse at different periods throughout Australia’s European history. They provided shelter, a safe place to sleep and cook and firewood to keep warm. Thanks to conservation works, they are still able to help hikers to this day. Hikers look out for each other by keeping the wood stack topped up and the huts clean and tidy for the next person. Particularly during a blizzard or extreme cold, these huts can even save lives.



Sonja and Jakob after their epic trek through Australia’s alpine areas. Photo supplied by Sonja Beckerhoff.

Gogerly’s Cottage, NSW

The Foundation gave \$15,000 to the New South Wales Office of Environment & Heritage in 2014 to improve visitor understanding of an important part of Sydney’s history.

Gogerly’s Cottage is located on a ridge overlooking Port Hacking in the Royal National Park. It is the oldest surviving house in the Sutherland Shire and was constructed by ex-convict Charles Gogerly between 1846 and 1856.

The cottage itself reflects a high level of technical skill because of the location and the limited materials and technology available at that time. Despite these challenges the cottage was sturdily built and still stands today. The inside of the cottage also contains remnants of early colonial decor such as wall paper designs.

This project will see the installation of informative and educational signs about the history of the cottage and the surrounding areas, including the 1920’s Hill Top House which is used as accommodation. There will also be improved walking tracks between the two properties to encourage interest in the site and some cottage restoration works will also be carried out.



Gogerly’s Cottage was built by ex-convict Charles Gogerly in 1846. Photo: Port Hacking community group, Facebook.

RETRACING THEIR STEPS, TAS



Yorktown is an historic site of early colonisation in Tasmania that now has informative signs and improved bushland for visitors. Photo: Prue Wright.

The Foundation provided a grant of \$5,600 to Wildcare Friends of Yorktown to help them continue their restoration works on the historic Yorktown site.

Yorktown is the site of the first ‘permanent’ European settlement in northern Tasmania. In 1804 Colonel William Paterson landed with a party of soldiers, convicts and free settlers. Here they built a small town before moving to Launceston. Over the years these buildings have been pulled down or fallen down so that only their foundations remain.

This project helped conserve the abundant native vegetation in the area with weeding and new plantings. It also installed new signs to show the significance of the historical site and its current biodiversity and erected a new welcoming sign at the beginning of the pathway to encourage visitors to wander through the area.

BRUNY ISLAND VISITOR CENTRE, TAS



Bruny Island was the site of Tasmania’s Quarantine Centre set up in 1885 to help stop the spread of diseases. Photo: Isaac Vanderhout

A grant of \$13,000 was given to a project on Bruny Island south of Hobart to establish a new visitor’s centre at the heritage listed quarantine site.

The Bruny Island Quarantine Station was established in 1885 and for 125 years public access was restricted. Then in 2011, with the creation of Wildcare Inc. Friends of Bruny Island Quarantine Station, the area was officially opened to the public. This project will create essential amenities for visitors and help them learn more about an important piece of Tasmania’s history.

The project is converting the old headhouse from its previous industrial uses into a new visitor centre with a renovation in-keeping with the history of the site. New fencing, paving and interpretive material will be installed as well as important visitor facilities like water supply, toilets, tables and chairs and electricity.

Preserving our Cultural Heritage

Cultural heritage is the legacy of physical artefacts and intangible attributes of a society that are inherited from past generations. We maintain them in the present in an effort to remember Australia’s history and what makes this country unique, and in order to pass on this legacy to future generations.

Australia’s heritage includes Indigenous and European natural and historic places and objects. The physical artefacts we preserve include environments, sacred spots, national parks, buildings, and objects such as personal items. Intangible attributes include the customs, language and beliefs of the past and present.

Our heritage is a legacy from our past, a living part of our lives today, and also the stories and places we pass on to future generations.

Each generation has a responsibility to protect significant places for future generations.

The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife began in 1970 as a New South Wales based organisation. As a result the Foundation has strong links with the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage and has preserved many important cultural heritage icons in this state.

The Foundation became a national organisation in 2000 and since then we have begun expanding our cultural heritage preservation and restoration programs to other states of Australia.

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Mrs Michelle Broinowski
Mr W Brown
Mr M Butler
Mr RV Carey
Mr B Chow
Mr PR Clisdell
Judge RG Craigie
Mr & Mrs TF & LE Crehan
Mrs M Crouch
Mr IR Finlay
Miss JA Finnimore
Dr GE & Mrs LA Ford
Mr Christopher Grubb
Mr R Hackelton
Mr SC Harris
Mr L Heidenreich
Mr & Mrs R & M Horne
Mr Klaus Hueneke AM
Mrs P Hunstead
Mr R Ierace
Mr M Ierace SC
Mr GE Kidd
Mr RG Kitchen
Ms L Kong
Mr JCH Lawes
Mr J Lawrence
Mr John Laws CBE
Mr B Loffel
Mrs P McMahon
Ms J Middleton
Mr P Middleton
Mr FW Millar CBE
Mr & Mrs BW & HE Miller
Ms K Moylan
Mr SB Myer AC
Dr MW Navin
Mr VR Norrgard
Mr H Outhred
Mr R Patrick
Mr JM Phillips OAM

Patron

Her Excellency the
Governor of New South
Wales Professor Marie
Bashir AC CVO
Retired 2014



Foundation Members

The Honorary Life Governors, Governors and Life Members are the owners of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife.

The Foundation's Constitution states that the number of Governors is declared to be a minimum of 50 and a maximum of 150.

Governors are those persons other than Life Governors who apply to and are admitted to become Governors.

Honorary Life Governors are persons admitted from time to time by the Directors for exceptional service to the Foundation.

Life Members are Governors who are exempt from paying an annual fee.

The Foundation's Board of Directors



From left: 1) Peter Janssen receives his farewell gifts at the 45th AGM. 2) David Pumphrey visited the Gunnedah Koala project. 3) CEO Susanna Bradshaw and President Garry Browne attending the GER Forum and dinner in August. 4) David Pumphrey and Partnerships Manager, Emma Lipscombe's son Will.



GARRY BROWNE AM

Appointed Director 2010
Appointed President 2013
Nominations Committee Chair
Finance & Risk Committee Member

Garry Browne is a respected business and industry leader, and master of brand building. In his role as CEO and Managing Director of Stuart Alexander & Co, Garry ensures the business maintains its position as a dynamic, agile and technology-driven market leader, while retaining the traditional qualities so valued by its stakeholders.

Garry is a committed advocate for community and social corporate responsibility. Garry was the District Governor of Rotary District 9675 between 2013 and 2014 and has been recognised with a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for significant service to the community and business. Garry is also a Director of Outcomes Australia and an Advisory Council Member for the Centre for Social Impact. An active philanthropist, Garry founded the S'Team Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Stuart Alexander & Co, which supports underprivileged Australians.

In business, Garry is Chair of the NSW Government Procurement Advisory Group and is a past President of the Food and Beverage Importers Association. Garry holds a Bachelor of Business from UTS and is a former student of the Harvard Business School, where he completed the Owner President Management Program (OPM).

Garry is passionate about helping those in need and regularly participates in a variety of charity events and physical challenges, such as climbing mountains and competing in triathlons. Garry is married to Robyn and has two young adult sons.



PETER JANSSEN

Appointed Director 1999
President from 2005 to 2013
Retired 2014

Having spent most of his career building Utilux, an Australian based manufacturer of electrical and electronic components, Peter has extensive board experience with private, government and not-for-profit organisations.

Past appointments include President of the Australian Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association (AEEMA), President of Australian Business Foundation, and Vice-President of the Federation of Automotive Products Manufacturers (FAPM).

Prior to joining Utilux, Peter graduated from the University of Sydney in Economics and Law, and gained an MBA from IMD in Lausanne, Switzerland.

In his spare time, Peter enjoys cycling and running through local national parks.



MARK BETHWAITE AM

Appointed Director 2009
Finance & Risk Committee Member
Nominations Committee Member

Now a professional director, Mark Bethwaite has a Bachelor of Engineering and an MBA.

Mark has been Managing Director of two of Australia's largest mining companies and one of Australia's leading industry associations. In 2013, Mark was appointed Chairman of the Sydney Catchment Authority.

Mark represented Australia in sailing in the 1972 and 1976 Olympic Games and has won World Championships in a number of classes.

In 2011, Mark was made a Member of the Order of Australia for services to industry and to sailing.



FIONA ARCHER

Appointed Director 2010
Appointed Treasurer and Secretary 2013
Finance & Risk Committee Chair

Fiona's career spans 27 years in global finance. Fiona has a Bachelor of Business Studies from Swinburne University, Melbourne and began her career as an auditor with Ernst and Whinney in Melbourne.

Fiona worked as a mining analyst for Prudential Bache in Melbourne and New York and Ord Minnett in London and Sydney prior to moving into mining finance with Resource Finance Corporation and BBY Corporate Services. Fiona spent nine years as a financial adviser at UBS Wealth Management.

Fiona is currently a Director at JBWere in Sydney, providing financial advice to high net worth families and individuals. Fiona has spent the last 13 years providing financial advisory services to not-for-profits.



MELINDA MURRAY

Appointed Director 2011
OEH Representative

Melinda has held a range of senior management roles in the NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service within the Office of Environment and Heritage since joining as the Manager, Reserve Establishment and Land Information in late 2010.

Melinda's experience in leading land acquisition, reservation and wilderness programs led to her appearing in 2012 as a key NPWS witness at the Legislative Council's Public Land Inquiry giving evidence about the scientific basis for the establishment of national parks. Melinda also sits on the Board of the Nature Conservation Trust and the Environmental Trust Sub-committee overseeing the Western Sydney Growth Centres Biodiversity Offsets Program. From 1995 to 2010 Melinda worked with the Legal Services Branch in OEH's predecessor agencies, most recently as a Principal Legal Officer providing legal advice and managing legislative reforms.



DAVID PUMPHREY

Appointed Director 2012
Fundraising & Marketing Committee Chair
Nominations Committee Member

David holds an MA in Economics and Political Science, and MBAs from Cranfield School of Management and Harvard Business School. His career spans Consulting and Management in the UK, Holland, Ireland, and Australia.

David has a wide network of contacts and significant experience as an international executive search consultant built up over 28 years in the industry. David has worked extensively in the areas of CEO and board appointments and reviews, and education and social enterprise. David is a past Director of the National and New South Wales Societies of Multiple Sclerosis, and a past President of the Harvard Club of Australia. David is a past Director and current Life Member of the Bell Shakespeare Company.

As well as a Director, David is an ambassador for two Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife conservation projects.



MARY-LOUISE WILLIAMS AM

Appointed Director 2013
Projects Committee Chair

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Mary-Louise has forged strong ties with international organisations, represented the Government at major events in Australia and overseas, chaired several international and local cultural committees and refereed funding programs and academic journals in the UK, Australia and elsewhere.

Mary-Louise has strong leadership and management experience and has overseen several significant building programs at ANMM's Darling Harbour site. Since leaving ANMM in 2012, Mary-Louise continues to apply her skills as an advisor to Government and community groups on cultural matters. Mary-Louise was appointed Member of the Order of Australia in January 2013.

Foundation Directors

The Foundation's Directors are unpaid volunteers who donate significant time and energy to the governance of the organisation.

Effective governance structures allow the Foundation to create value through innovation, development, and exploration. These structures also provide accountability and control systems commensurate with the risks involved.

The Board sets the vision, mission, and strategies of the Foundation, and adapts the direction or plans as appropriate. It puts in place an appropriate system of risk oversight and internal controls, to ensure that the Foundation delivers on its mission. Each individual member adds to the collective capacity and effective functioning of the Board.

In 2014, the Board of Directors met six times, and made effective use of the Foundation's four committees on which many Directors also sit.

- The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife:**
- Is registered with the Australian Taxation Office for Goods and Services Tax (GST) ABN 90107744771.
 - Is endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) as a public museum and environmental organisation.
 - Is endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as an Income Tax Exempt Charitable Entity (ITEC) as a charitable institution.
 - Holds an Authority to Fundraise for Charitable Purposes with the Department of Gaming and Racing in each state.
 - Is exempted by the Office of State Revenue from pay-roll tax.
 - Is Trustee of the FNPW Gift Fund Trust ABN 42651974301 (Deed of Settlement 2 February 2000, DGR, ITEC) that was entered into the Register of Environmental Organisations kept by the Australian Government DSEWPac on 9 February 2001 and entitled to receive tax deductible donations of money and property.
 - Was incorporated on 29 June 1970 as a company limited by guarantee ACN 000 744 516 regulated by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission to protect consumers, investors and creditors.

Foundation Organisation



Committees & the Volunteer Members

PROJECTS COMMITTEE

The Project’s Committee oversees the delivery of the Foundation’s conservation grants program including strategic priorities, assessing projects for funding and monitoring project progress and performance. The Committee reports back to the Board.

Members

- Mary-Louise Williams AM, Chair
- David Butcher
- Sue Maple-Brown AM
- Margo Pickworth
- Ian Patterson AM

FINANCE & RISK COMMITTEE

The Finance & Risk Committee provides strategic guidance in relation to the Foundation’s financial direction, including financial and revenue growth plans, and reviews financial processes. It also oversees audit requirements. The Committee reports back to the Board.

Members

- Fiona Archer, Chair
- Gary Browne AM
- Mark Bethwaite AM

The Foundation’s Committees

The Committees contribute to the leadership and decision making of the Foundation, and are staffed by unpaid volunteers. A Board member chairs each Committee, and the Foundation’s CEO and relevant staff members also attend committee meetings. The Marketing & Sales Committee, and the Finance & Risk Committee each met six times in 2014 and the Projects Committee five times. The Nominations Committee met as required. While Board meetings are formal, committee meetings provide a space to workshop ideas. Each Committee makes recommendations to the Board.

FUNDRAISING & MARKETING COMMITTEE

The Fundraising & Marketing Committee provides strategic guidance and tactics in relation to fundraising, marketing, and events, including overall plans. The Committee reports back to the Board.

Members

- David Pumphrey, Chair
- Cathy Beer
- Simon Carter
- Rob Dowler

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee refers nominations for Board Directorships and Governorships to the Board. It meets as required.

Members

- Gary Browne AM
- Mark Bethwaite AM
- David Pumphrey

Foundation Staff



From left: 1) Emma and Susanna lend a hand at the Middle Head Open Day sausage sizzle. 2) The office Christmas party to celebrate the end of a great year. 3) Susanna and Melanie helping out at a corporate volunteer day. 4) Melanie, Felicity and Emma attending the AGM.



Chief Executive Officer – Susanna Bradshaw

Susanna joined the Foundation in 2009. In May 2012, Susanna was promoted Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation. Prior to joining the Foundation, Susanna ran her own business for over ten years. Her background is in business management, operations, design, advertising, communications and marketing. In 2013, Susanna completed a Bachelor of Environmental Science, Conservation and Management.



Donor Relationships Manager – Kathy Creary

Kathy joined the Foundation in 2008. Kathy is responsible for donor database maintenance, donor care, receipting, banking and administration. She is always available to have a friendly chat to all who call, and ensures that daily operations run smoothly. Kathy’s background is in advertising, commercial photography and customer service.



Partnerships Manager – Emma Lipscombe

Emma joined the Foundation in 2012. Emma works three days a week, applying for grants, and developing fundraising strategies and partnerships to support the Foundation’s programs. Emma’s background is in communications, public relations, events and fundraising for not-for-profit organisations.



Grants Manager – Jennie Morgan

Jennie Morgan joined the Foundation in 2014. Jennie assists with the Foundation’s grant programs on a contract basis, 4 days a week. Jennie has a Bachelor of Science (Advanced Biology), and her background is in Environmental Education. Jennie has also worked as a professional ecologist, conducting environmental impact surveys.



Communications & Marketing Manager – Melanie Wagner

Melanie joined the Foundation in 2010, as Online Communications & Publications Coordinator. Melanie was promoted to Communications Manager in 2012, and promoted again in 2013. Melanie’s background is in copywriting, marketing and communications. Melanie is also studying an MBA majoring in not-for-profit management.



Communications Officer – Felicity Harvey

Felicity joined the Foundation in 2014. Felicity assists with media, publications and online presence. She has a Bachelor of Environmental Management and a background in Land Conservation, Marketing and Administration. Felicity has lived and worked in the United Kingdom for several years.



Heritage Estates Project Manager – Rubens Delfino

Rubens joined the Foundation in 2012, as the Project Manager for the Voluntary Heritage Estates Land Project. The project will purchase land to add to Jervis Bay National Park. Rubens is a Property Consultant with a background in law and property development.



Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby Project Manager – Shirley Kirkwood

Shirley joined the Foundation in mid 2014, as the Project Manager raising funds, support, and awareness for Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby conservation projects. Ms Kirkwood was contracted thanks to a partnership with the New South Wales Office of Environment & Heritage.

The Foundation's Ambassadors



Left: Ian Mortimer performs with his puppet show at the Middle Head Open Day. Right: Anthony Stimpson with Joanna the goanna.



AMBRE HAMMOND
Concert pianist
Ambre is passionate about wildlife and the environment. As an ambassador for the Foundation, Ambre tells her audiences about the work of the Foundation, and is an ongoing supporter of our organisation.



JB ROWLEY
Author, storyteller and educator
JB is an ambassador for the Foundation's Mountain Pygmy-possum project. JB latest book features a Mountain Pygmy-possum as a main character, and her passion is to raise awareness of this unique Australian species.



JULIE PATERSON
Designer for and owner of cloth fabric
Julie is inspired by the Australian landscape, and translates what she sees using sustainable materials and found objects. Julie has created a range of fabrics inspired by the Australian environment, and the proceeds from these will go to the Foundation for conservation work.



EMINÈ MEHMET
Sustainable Designer
Eminè is a sustainability ambassador, interior designer, writer and speaker. Eminè helps companies to improve their sustainability practices. Eminè is a proud Ambassador for the Foundation, as it reflects the values and perspectives she holds dear.

Raising Awareness and Spreading the Message

The Foundation's Ambassadors are individuals in the public spotlight who use their profiles and networks to promote the Foundation and its work. Each works in different ways to tell diverse groups and communities about our environmental conservation work. Each generously donates their time, energy, talents, and more to the vital work that we do.

The Foundation thanks all our fantastic Ambassadors!



IAN MORTIMER
Performer & Longyard Sideshow founder
Ian is a performer experienced in theatre, music, film, circus, puppet making and design. Ian's engaging performances teach audiences about the value of the environment in novel ways. Ian donates a percentage of his performance fees to the Foundation.



JAKE CASSAR
Environmentalist and bush craft teacher
Jake is a well known environmentalist. Jake has spent many years tirelessly devoted to the protection of his local environment, most notably the area known as Bambara. Jake is proud to promote the Foundation and its work.



BARBARA BUTTERY
Events Marketer
As a child, Barbara visited Lord Howe Island and the Daintree, which instilled an appreciation of Australia's amazing flora and fauna. Barbara will use her skills and networks to raise awareness of the Foundation and seek corporate sponsorship for appropriate projects.



ANTHONY STIMPSON
Australian Wildlife Display founder
Anthony and his team of presenters provide fun and informative displays of Australian animals to many hundreds of thousands of people each year, to provide one of Australia's premier wildlife conservation education services.

Financial Summary

The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife is a not-for-profit organisation that receives donations from the public, community organisations, trusts and foundations, corporates, government, and its trust, the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife Gift Fund Trust.

During 2014, the Foundation's gross fundraising activities brought in over \$3.5 million. The Foundation purchased land and made over 200 grants totalling over \$1.8 million.

The Foundation received government grants of \$50,000 from the Parks & Wildlife Group of the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, \$45,000 from the NSW Environmental Trust and \$4,000 from the Federal Government to assist with its costs of administration costs.

In 2014, the Foundation received over \$2 million in Agency Grants supporting specific projects including a \$1 million grant from the NSW Environmental Trust to support its NSW Private Land Conservation Grant Program. It also received over \$1 million from Greening Australia and the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage to support the Great Eastern Ranges Grants program.

In 2014, the Foundation received donations valued at over \$760,000, over \$300,000 worth of sponsorships and \$200,000 from two bequests.

The Foundation prides itself on its low overheads. It runs a low-resource office with just four full time and two part time staff. From time to time, as required, the Foundation also employs contractors to deliver specific projects.

Figure 1 shows total income, conservation projects and overheads (comprised of total expenditure less conservation projects), over the past seven years.

Figure 2 shows the sources of funds received in 2014. Donations and grants make up the greatest proportion of income for 2014.

Figure 3 shows income trends over the last seven years. Income was up in 2014 largely due to grants to support specific Foundation projects.

Figures 4 shows how Foundation funds were spent in 2014. Total expenditure for 2014 was over \$2.2 million with 75% of expenses made up of conservation projects. The total cost of fundraising for 2014 was 5% of total revenue raised.

Figure 5 shows expenditure trends over the past seven years. The cost of conservation projects fluctuates while other expense categories remain stable.

The Foundation thanks Grant Thornton for auditing its accounts on an in-kind basis for presentation to ASIC and fundraising authorities. Full copies of the accounts are available on request.

This organisation has been assisted by the NSW Government through its Environmental Trust.

The Voluntary Heritage Estates Land Project is partially funded through the Foundation and the Australian Government's Caring for our Country Grant Program.

Figure 1. Income and Overheads 2008-2014

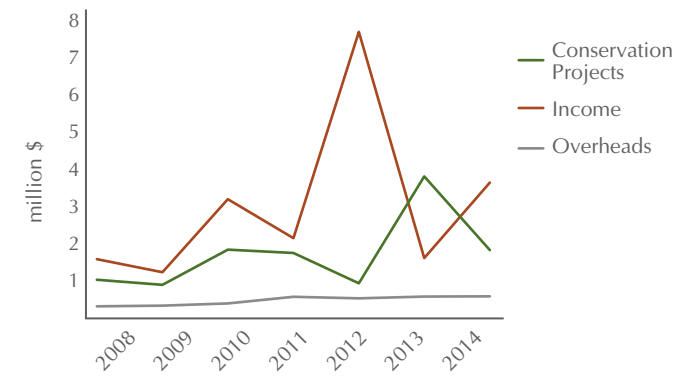


Figure 2. Income 2014

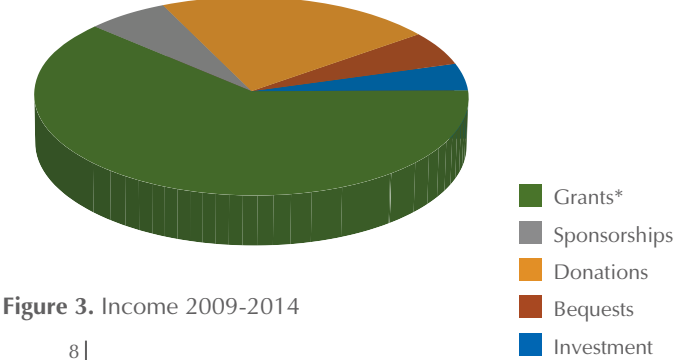
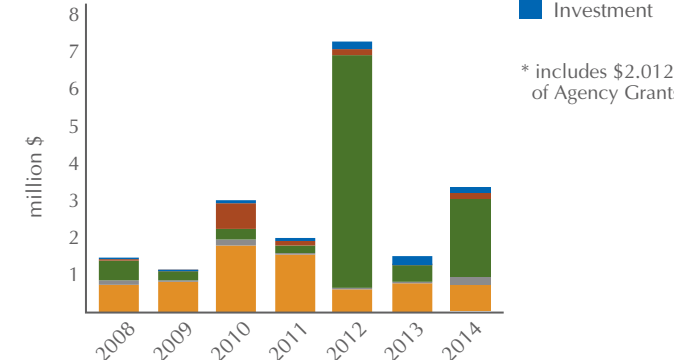


Figure 3. Income 2009-2014



* includes \$2.012M of Agency Grants

Figure 4. Expenditure 2014

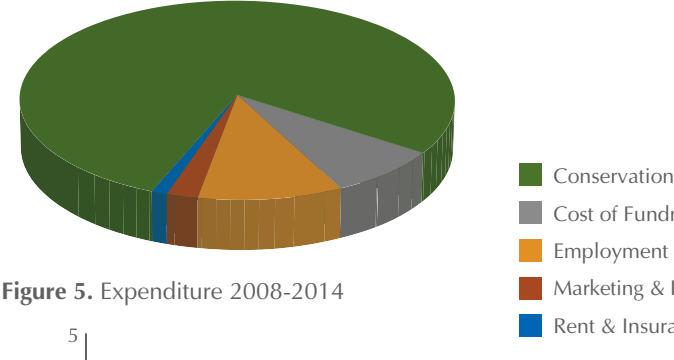
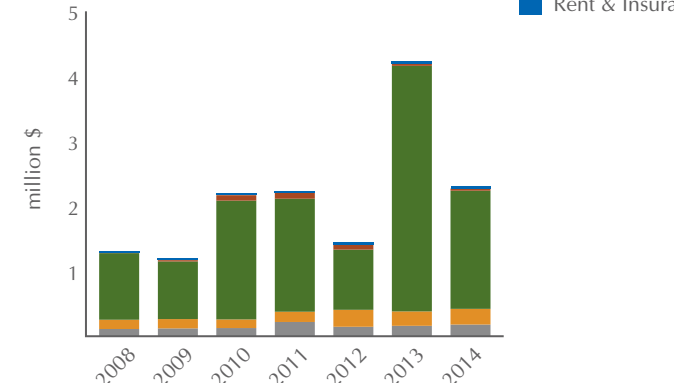


Figure 5. Expenditure 2008-2014





The Foundation for National
Parks & Wildlife is helping
vulnerable plants in Tasmania
like this beautiful Silky Bushpea,
Pultenaea prostrata.

Photo: Mike Bayly.



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These financial statements are the single entity financial statements of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife.

The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency.

The Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife

Level 10
52 Phillip Street
Sydney NSW 2001

A description of the nature of the entity's operations and its principal activities is included in the Directors' Report on pages 2 to 6, which is not part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Responsible Entities on 15 April 2015.
The Board has the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

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The Directors present their report on the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife (referred to hereafter as the Foundation) for the year ended 31 December 2014.

In order to comply with the provisions of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Directors' report as follows:

The Directors of the Foundation in office at the date of this report are:

Fiona Archer

Appointed Director 2010

Appointed Secretary and Treasurer 2013

Finance and Risk Committee Chair

Fiona's career spans 27 years in global finance. Fiona has a Bachelor of Business Studies from Swinburne University, Melbourne and began her career as an auditor with Ernst and Whinney in Melbourne.

She worked as a mining analyst for Prudential Bache in Melbourne and New York and Ord Minnett in London and Sydney prior to moving into mining finance with Resource Finance Corporation and BBY Corporate Services. Fiona spent nine years as a financial adviser at UBS Wealth Management.

She is currently a Director at JBWere in Sydney, providing financial advice to high net worth families and individuals. Fiona has spent the last 13 years providing financial advisory services to not-for-profits.

Mark Bethwaite AM

Appointed Director 2009

Finance and Risk Committee Member

Nominations Committee Member

Now a professional director, Mark Bethwaite has a degree in Civil Engineering and an MBA. He was Managing Director of two large Australian listed companies then one of Australia's leading industry associations before retiring in 2006. Mark was made a Member of the Order of Australia in early 2011 for services to industry, sailing and maritime heritage

Garry Browne AM

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Elected President in 2013

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Garry is passionate about helping those in need and regularly participates in a wide variety of charity events and physical challenges, such as climbing mountains and competing in triathlons, to raise funds.

Charlie Graham

Appointed Director 2015

Charles is Managing Director of Gresham Partners Limited.

Charles holds Bachelor degrees in Engineering and Commerce from the University of Sydney, a Masters degree in Information Technology from Deakin University, and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Charles is a Director of Musica Viva Australia and HCA Philanthropy and Honorary Treasurer of the Harvard Club of Australia.

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Peter Janssen

Appointed Director 1999

Elected President 2005

Resigned 2014

Having spent most of his career building Utilux, an Australian based manufacturer of electrical and electronic components, Peter has extensive board experience with private, government and not-for-profit organisations.

In his spare time, Peter enjoys walking, running and cycling through local national parks. Prior to joining Utilux, Peter graduated from the University of Sydney in Economics and Law, and gained an MBA from IMD in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Catherine Lloyd

Appointed Director 2015

Finance & Risk Committee

Catherine has over 19 years' experience in finance, accounting and governance and is currently Deputy Company Secretary for Isentia Group Limited. Catherine has a Bachelor of Business from UTS and is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and Governance Institute of Australia. Previous roles held by Catherine include CFO and Company Secretary for Austral Gold Limited, an ASX listed company with gold mining operations in Chile. She has worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers in audit and Corporate Express Australia Limited in various finance roles including acquisitions and taxation, internal audit, risk management and Sarbanes-Oxley.

Other current voluntary positions held by Catherine include Treasurer for the parents group of KU Castlecrag Pre-school and Nippers crew at Balmoral Beach Club.

Patrick Medley

Appointed Director 2015

Fundraising and Marketing Committee

Patrick Medley has had 27 years as a management consultant, working for Coopers & Lybrand, PricewaterhouseCoopers and IBM in London, Singapore and Sydney, specialising in strategy and marketing consulting to the consumer facing industries. He joined Coopers & Lybrand in 1989 and in 1990, established one of the first professional environmental management consulting services, in London and subsequently Sydney. He is currently the Managing Partner of Kedleton & Co. He has a B.Sc and B.Com double honours degree from Birmingham University, UK, an MBA from Sydney University, and is a Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Melinda Murray

Appointed Director 2011

OEH Representative

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David Pumphrey

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Fundraising and Marketing Committee Chair

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As well as a Director, David is an ambassador for two Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife conservation projects.

Anthony Salteri

Appointed Observer 2015

Anthony is an experienced entrepreneur, business analyst and philanthropist with a Bachelor of Engineering and Commerce from the University of Sydney, and currently works as an Analyst and in an operational role at a boutique fund manager located in Sydney.

Prior to that, Anthony ran a successful online business for four years. He has a strong sense of social justice and is currently an advisor to the board of the CAGES Foundation that works to improve the life outcomes of Indigenous children in rural and remote areas of Australia.

Anthony is also a member of Philanthropy Australia's New Generation of Giving program which encourages members to give and volunteer through bespoke opportunities. Anthony is a keen skier and hiker and enjoys being out in the varied natural environments of Australia.

Mary-Louise Williams AM

Appointed Director 2012

Fundraising and Marketing Committee Member

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Vision

Our vision is to be the foremost philanthropic partner to enhance and protect Australia's parks and wildlife.

Mission

Our mission is to care for and enhance Australia's natural and cultural heritage by providing environmental education and funding for land protection and conservation projects.

Results

In the financial year to December 2014, the surplus of the Company was \$314,016 (2013 deficit \$102,537). Accumulated funds as at 31 December 2014 were \$2,533,798 (2013: \$2,224,271). In 2014, total disbursements to government environmental agencies including the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and conservation bodies and support of public awareness programs amounted to \$1,747,719 (2013 \$3,804,376).

Due to the different funding arrangements entered into by the company, disbursement of funds for projects of \$557,422 is made through the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and, for certain funds received, directly against the liability (balance of unexpended grants) as disclosed in Note 8 amounting to \$1,190,297. The total of these disbursements amounting to \$1,747,719 fully reflects the project expenditure of the company.

FNPW Gift Fund Trust – Trustee Obligations

The Foundation acts as Trustee for the FNPW Gift Fund Trust in accordance with the Trust Deed dated 2 February 2000.

The Trust is administered by a management committee comprising three Foundation Directors, Garry Browne AM, Fiona Archer and March Bethwaite AM, approved by the Commonwealth Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities. During the year, the Trust made a donation of land valued at \$80,000 which has been gifted to the Office of Environment and Heritage for permanent protection in Blue Mountains National Park. A statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2014 and the financial position of the Trust as at that date appear in Note 16 of the accounts.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Foundation include fundraising, grant-making and awareness-raising. These activities help conserve Australia's natural and cultural heritage. The following is a summary of activities undertaken in 2014.

Fundraising & Administration

The Directors approve and monitor the Foundation Business Plan for 2014, which set out its priority activities and budget for the year. \$964,412 was raised in public donations, land donations and bequests.

Grants of \$95,000 to assist with administration expenses were received from the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage and NSW Environmental Trust. \$4,000 was received for administration from the Australian Government Grants to Voluntary Environmental, Sustainability and Heritage Organisations (GVESHO) programme.

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Grant-making

Nearly 150 grants totalling more than \$1,700,000 were paid for on-ground projects for land acquisition, threatened species recovery, habitat restoration, cultural heritage conservation, environmental education and visitor facilities. Funds were committed to 49 projects as part of the Private Land Conservation Grants program and to 47 projects as part of the Great Eastern Ranges Grants program.

Land Acquisition and Donations to the National Estate

Around 80 hectares of bush land at the Blue Mountains, valued at \$80,000 was donated to the Foundation in 2013 by a private donor and was gifted to the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage in 2014 to become permanently protected as part of Blue Mountains National Park National Park. This has been disclosed in the Gift Fund.

Community Education, Involvement & Awareness-raising

The Backyard Buddies urban biodiversity education program has more than 25,000 subscribers. The trading agreement with Premium Fulfilment Services provided funding to support the running costs of the program through telemarketing of Backyard Buddies merchandise and direct donations.

Over 400 pieces of positive media delivering conservation messages to the public appeared in media outlets including print, radio and online at national, state and regional level with no advertising costs.

Members' Guarantee

The Company is limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the articles of association state that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Company. At 31 December 2014, the number of members was 125.

Auditor's independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 is set out on page 7.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife.

On behalf of the Directors.



Garry Browne AM
President



Fiona Archer
Treasurer

Date: 15 April 2015

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**Auditor's Independence Declaration
To the Responsible Entities of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife**

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, as lead auditor for the audit of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife for the year ended 31 December 2014, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

1. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
2. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



GRANT THORNTON AUDIT PTY LTD
Chartered Accountants



James Winter
Partner - Audit & Assurance

Sydney, 15 April 2015

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Operating Income			
Public Donations		764,412	810,391
Sponsorship		316,136	49,194
Grant Revenue		99,000	50,000
Bequests		200,000	2,000
Other income Investment		17,557	9,895
Income Total Operating		<u>65,435</u>	<u>55,989</u>
Income		<u>1,462,540</u>	<u>977,469</u>
Expenditure			
Fundraising costs		(184,449)	(162,936)
Other Administration employment expenses		(252,981)	(220,218)
Insurance costs		(5,928)	(9,744)
Marketing and Promotion expenses		(37,812)	(38,062)
Rent		(28,341)	(30,702)
Other Expenses		(81,591)	(112,301)
Project Disbursements		(557,422)	(506,043)
Total Expenditure	2	<u>(1,148,524)</u>	<u>(1,080,006)</u>
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)		<u>314,016</u>	<u>(102,537)</u>
Market movement in financial assets		(4,489)	50,955
Total Other Comprehensive Income for the year		<u>(4,489)</u>	<u>50,955</u>
Total Comprehensive Income/(Deficit) for the year		<u>309,527</u>	<u>(51,582)</u>

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The above Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	6,289,893	5,212,623
Accounts Receivable		5,456	66,529
Total Current Assets		6,295,349	5,279,152
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	4	12,951	16,646
Financial Assets	5	829,441	579,294
Total Non-Current Assets		842,392	595,940
Total Assets		7,137,741	5,875,092
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	6	33,724	17,571
Provisions	7(a)	23,701	13,921
Unexpended Grants	8	4,522,010	3,613,215
Total Current Liabilities		4,579,435	3,644,707
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provisions	7(b)	24,508	6,114
Total Non-Current Liabilities		24,508	6,114
Total Liabilities		4,603,943	3,650,821
Net Assets		2,533,798	2,224,271
Funds			
Funds at end of the year			
Available for sale reserve		57,170	61,659
Accumulated Surplus		2,476,628	2,162,612
Total Funds at year end		2,533,798	2,224,271

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 December 2014

	Note	2014	2013
		\$	\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Receipts from contributions, donations and fundraising activities		915,319	859,441
Payments to suppliers and employees		(541,950)	(669,720)
Proceeds from grants and projects		2,641,951	658,203
Disbursements for grants and projects		(1,747,719)	(3,804,376))
Interest received		85,197	55,988
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	12	1,352,798	(2,900,464)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Payments for investment securities		(403,519)	(161,114)
Proceeds from sale of investment securities		129,121	149,448
Purchases of plant and equipment		(1,130)	(1,575)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(275,528)	(13,241)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		1,077,270	(2,913,705)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		5,212,623	8,126,328
Cash at the end of the financial year	3	6,289,893	5,212,623

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statement of Changes in Accumulated Funds for the Year Ended 31 December 2014

	Available for Sale Reserve	Accumulated Surplus	Total Funds
Balance at 1 January 2013	10,704	2,265,149	2,275,853
Net surplus/(deficit)	-	(102,537)	(102,537)
Other comprehensive income	50,955	-	50,955
Total comprehensive income for the year	50,955	(102,537)	(51,582)
Balance at 31 December 2013	61,659	2,162,612	2,224,271
Balance at 1 January 2014	61,659	2,162,612	2,224,271
Net surplus/(deficit)	-	314,016	314,016
Other comprehensive income	(4,489)	-	(4,489)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(4,489)	314,016	309,527
Balance at 31 December 2014	57,170	2,476,628	2,533,798

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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1 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Basis of Preparation

These General Purpose – Reduced Disclosure Requirements financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities Not-for-profit Commission Act 2012, Accounting Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

(i) Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention.

(ii) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements.

Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

(b) Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Revenue is recognised for the major activities as follows:

(i) Investment income

Investment income comprises interest and dividends. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method. Dividends from listed entities are recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

(ii) Donations

Donations collected are recognised as revenue when the company gains control, economic benefits are probable and the amount of the donation can be measured reliably.

(iii) Government funding

The company is supported by grants received from governments. Grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered, or conditions are fulfilled, are considered reciprocal. Such grants are initially recognised as a liability and revenue is recognised as services are performed or conditions fulfilled. Revenue from non-reciprocal grants is recognised when the company obtains control of the funds. Funding received and administered under contract or grant agreement for disbursement to third parties under an agency arrangement are not brought to account as income and are accounted for as a liability until such funds are disbursed in accordance with the agreement.

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(iv) In-kind goods and services

Goods or services received in kind are not brought to account unless the fair value of the contribution is reliably measurable.

(v) Committee fundraising activities

Proceeds from the fundraising activities of the Committees, which are controlled by the Foundation, are brought to account on an accruals basis.

(vi) Bequests

The Foundation has been nominated as a beneficiary for a number of estates throughout the period. Revenue is recognised when bequests are received by the Foundation.

(c) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the acquisition cost of the assets or of an item of expenses.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(d) Disbursements

Disbursements are measured at cost.

Disbursements are recognised for the major activities as follows:

(i) Cash disbursements

Cash disbursements are recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income at the time of the payment.

(ii) Land disbursements

Land disbursements are recognised when Ministerial consent is obtained.

(e) Cost of Fundraising

Cost of fundraising, being expenses that are attributed to fundraising activities are measured at cost and recognised at the time of the payment.

(f) Income Tax

The Foundation is exempt from paying income tax. The Foundation holds an endorsement as an income tax exempt charity under subdivision 50-B of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(g) Acquisition of Assets

All assets acquired including property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at their cost of acquisition at the date of acquisition, being the fair value of the consideration provided plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

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(h) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash assets are carried at face value of the amounts deposited. The carrying amount of cash assets approximates net fair value.

For cash flow statement presentation purposes, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(i) Payables

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received. The carrying amount of accounts payable approximates net fair value.

(j) Employee Entitlements

(i) *Wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave*

Liabilities for wages and salaries expected to be settled within 12 months of balance date are recognised in other payables in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date. Liabilities for annual leave in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date which are expected to be settled within 12 months of the balance date are recognised in the provision for annual leave. Both liabilities are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. Liabilities for accumulating but non-vesting sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and are measured at the rates paid or payable.

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

(ii) *Superannuation*

Contributions are made to employee superannuation funds and are charged against income as they are made.

(k) Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Foundation and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of comprehensive income during the reporting period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation on non-current assets is calculated using the diminishing value method to allocate their cost or revalued amounts, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Furniture, fittings and equipment – 5 years

The asset's residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

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(k) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

Land is accounted for at cost, and is disbursed (when applicable) to the Gift Fund Trust to be donated to the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage upon Ministerial consent.

(l) Available for sale assets

Available-for-sale assets are those financial assets that are designated as available-for-sale. When available-for-sale financial investments are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value. Any available-for-sale financial investments donated to the company are recognised at fair value at the date the company obtains control of the asset.

After initial recognition available-for sale financial investments are measured at fair value with gains or losses being recognised in other comprehensive income until the investment is derecognised or until the investment is determined to be impaired, being either a significant or prolonged decline in value below cost, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The fair value of investments that are actively traded in organised financial markets is determined by reference to quoted market bid prices at the close of business on the reporting date. For investments with no active market, fair value is determined using valuation techniques. Such techniques include using recent arm's length market transactions; reference to the current market value of another instrument that is substantially the same; discounted cash flow analysis; and option pricing models.

(m) Comparative figures

Where necessary, certain items and balances in the financial statements have been amended to conform to current year presentation.

(n) Critical Accounting Disclosures

The financial statements have been prepared on a stand-alone basis. The Foundation acts as trustee of the Gift Fund Trust, and presents accounts as disclosed in Note 16 for the benefit of the members.

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	2014	2013
	\$	\$
2 Expenditure		
Total employment expenses	487,737	440,436
Depreciation	4,825	7,617
3 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash includes cash on hand and in banks and in short term money market instruments, and monies held in trust.	6,289,893	5,212,623
Cash includes \$4,522,010 (2013: \$3,638,215) held by the Foundation for distribution to third parties or for a specific purpose under contractual arrangements. These funds are not available for general working capital requirements. Unexpended funding at year-end is disclosed in Note 8.		
4 Property, Plant and Equipment		
Plant & Equipment	162,541	161,411
Accumulated Depreciation	(149,590)	(144,765)
Net Book Amount - Property, Plant and Equipment	12,951	16,646
5 Financial Assets		
Available-for-sale financial assets	5(a) 742,783	526,401
Other investments	86,658	52,893
	829,441	579,294
(a) Available-for-sale financial assets comprise:		
- shares in listed corporations	423,943	463,847
- units in listed trusts	63,303	62,554

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	2014	2013		
	\$	\$		
5 Financial Assets (cont'd)				
- unlisted cash deposit trust units	255,537	-		
Total available-for-sale financial assets	742,783	526,401		
6 Accounts Payable				
Creditors and Accrued Expenses	33,724	17,571		
7 Provisions				
(a) Provisions – current				
Employee Entitlements - Annual Leave	23,701	13,921		
(b) Provisions – non-current				
Employee Entitlements - Long Service Leave	24,508	6,114		
8 Unexpended Grants				
	Heritage Estates	Private Land Grants	Great Eastern Ranges	Total
2013				
Opening Balance	5,524,397	804,459	-	6,328,856
Grants Received	-	-	400,000	400,000
Interest Received	143,143	39,549	-	182,692
Grants Expended	(2,614,230)	(294,951)	(389,152)	(3,298,333)
Closing Balance	3,053,310	549,057	10,848	3,613,215

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8. Unexpended Grants (continued)	Heritage Estates	Private Land Grants	Great Eastern Ranges	Total
2014				
Opening Balance	3,053,310	549,057	10,848	3,613,215
Grants Received	-	1,000,000	1,012,000	2,012,000
Interest Received	61,067	26,025	-	87,092
Grants Expended	(174,457)	(323,202)	(692,638)	(1,190,297)
Closing Balance	2,939,920	1,251,880	330,210	4,522,010

9. Related Party Transactions

The members of the Board of the Foundation during the reporting year were:

Ms. F Archer

Mr G Browne AM

Mr M Bethwaite AM

Mr P Janssen (resigned 30 April 2014)

Ms M Murray

Mr D Pumphrey

Ms M Williams AM

The directors act in an honorary capacity and are not remunerated. There are no other related party transactions.

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
10 Key Management Personnel Compensation		
Total compensation	153,300	153,300

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2014 2013

\$ \$

11 Auditor's Remuneration

Services provided by the Foundation's auditor	7,800	7,200
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Grant Thornton provided the 2013 and 2014 audit services at a discount rate in recognition of the Foundation's services to the community

2014 2013

\$ \$

12 Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows

(a) Reconciliation of Cash instruments

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand, in banks and short term money market

Cash	6,289,893	5,212,623
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(b) Reconciliation of operating surplus/(deficit) to net cash provided by operating activities

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	314,016	(102,537)
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Non-Cash Items:

Depreciation	4,825	7,619
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Realised capital loss	19,762	-
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(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	61,073	(66,529)
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Increase/(Decrease) in Payables	16,153	(26,000)
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Increase/(Decrease) in Unexpended Grants	908,795	(2,715,641)
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Increase/(Decrease) in Provisions	28,174	2,624
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Net cash (used by)/provided by operating activities	1,352,798	(2,900,464)
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(c) Cash flows arising from the investments are presented on a net basis in the statement of cash flows.

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13 Members' Guarantee

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2014	2013
\$	\$

14 Committed / Accumulated Funds

Total Committed Funds at year end	1,631,008	1,141,291
Total Uncommitted Funds at year end	902,790	1,082,980
Total Accumulated Funds at year end	2,533,798	2,224,271

Committed funds represent non contractual amounts intended for specific projects which are unexpended at year end.

15 Information required by the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 NSW and the Charitable Fundraising Regulations 2008 (NSW)

(a) Summary of funds received and applied for charitable purposes

The purpose of the Foundation is to raise funds net of expenses for special nature and cultural heritage projects managed by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage or other similar bodies. This is achieved through a variety of activities including fundraising from the public and corporate sector, government grants and investments. The Foundation undertook fundraising appeals throughout the year and holds an authority to fundraise under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW).

(b) Details of aggregate fundraising income and expense from fundraising appeals

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Gross Income from public donations, sponsorships and bequests	1,280,548	861,585
Total Cost of Fundraising	(184,449)	(162,936)
Net Surplus from Fundraising	1,096,099	698,649

(c) Accounting Principles and Methods adopted in Fundraising accounts

The fundraising financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as per Note 1. The balance of fundraising funds unspent is held within the Foundation's accumulated funds. The funds from fundraising are applied as set out in this financial report.

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16 Gift Fund Trust Financials

Gift Fund Trust (ABN 42 651 974 301)

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Receipts			
Land donation		-	80,000
Total Receipts		-	80,000
Expenditure			
Other Expenses		280	-
Distribution to Office of Environmental Heritage		80,000	-
Total Expenses		80,280	-
Net Annual (Deficit) / Surplus		(80,280)	80,000
Other Comprehensive Income for the year		-	-
Total Comprehensive (Loss) / Income for the year		(80,280)	80,000

Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Current Assets			
Cash		-	280
Total Current Assets		-	280
Non Current Assets			
Freehold land		-	80,000
Total Non Current Assets		-	80,000
Total Assets		-	80,280
Current Liabilities			
GST Refundable		-	-
Total Current Liabilities		-	-
Net Assets		-	80,280
Accumulated Funds			
Land held by the trust		-	80,000
Settlement Amount		-	20
Accumulated Funds at end of the year		-	260
Total Accumulated Funds		-	80,280

21 These notes form part of the financial report and are to be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

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17 Details of Disbursements Applied to Charitable Purposes

Grant Name	Disbursement (\$)
Heritage Estates	174,457
Private Land Conservation Grants Program	323,202
Great Eastern Ranges Grants	692,638
Total Disbursements	1,190,297

Project Name	Disbursement (\$)
Nunnock Swamp Interpretations	7,336
Backyard Buddies Education Program	75,846
Threatened Flora Surveys Harbour South	7,900
Private Conservation Land Monitoring & Support Program 1	10,285
Cane Toads	20,000
Littoral Rainforest - Forresters Beach	5,000
Cecil Hoskins Nature Reserve	30,000
Murray River Turtles	6,000
Population Ecology of the Endangered Hooded Plover	20,000
Cape Solander Whale Migration Study	2,700
Malleefowl	5,000
Paddy Pallin Science Grants	14,000
Education in Nature	10,000
Private Land Conservation Grants Program VIC	25,587
Fairylands to Fullers	8,409
Kukundi Nature Play Precinct	7,568
Visitor Centre for Bruny Island Quarantine Station	11,818
Monitoring Malleefowl Populations	10,835
Deal Island weed management, erosion stabilisation, and restoration	12,727
Territory Wildlife Park – Interpretations, Signage and Immersion experience	15,000
Protection of four high biodiversity areas	14,806
Save the Orange-bellied Parrot	13,436
Retracing their Steps	5,091
Sydney Harbour Corporate Volunteering	80,000
Kangaroo Island Land Purchase	20,000
Daintree Land Purchase	20,000
Understanding translocation success for the critically endangered Spiral-fruited Wattle	11,636
Lane Cove Corporate Volunteering	7,133
Furneaux Islands Boxthorn	200
Heritage Estates	463
Private Land Conservation Grants	36,712
Great Eastern Ranges	22,000
Blue Mountains Memorial - Josh Furber	1,900
Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby	18,032
Total Disbursements	557,422

Total Disbursements (including grants)	1,747,719
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* The amount disbursed for the Backyard Buddies Education Program is comprised of payroll expenses and purchase of educational material required to conduct the program.

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Responsible Entities' Declaration

In the opinion of the Responsible Entities:

- a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 8 to 22 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife as at 31 December 2014 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- b) At the date of this declaration, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- c) The financial statements and notes have been made out in compliance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.
- d) The provisions and regulations of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW) and the Charitable Fundraising Regulations 2008 (NSW) have been complied with; and
- e) The internal controls are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from fundraising appeals.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors, for and on behalf of the Directors by



Garry Browne AM
President



Fiona Archer
Treasurer

Date: 15 April 2015

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife (the "Company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2014, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the Responsible Entities' declaration the Company.

Responsible Entities' responsibility for the financial report

The Responsible Entities of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and the NSW Charitable Fundraising Regulation 2008. The Responsible Entities' responsibility also includes such internal control as the Responsible Entities determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose

of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Responsible Entities, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian Professional and Ethical Standards Board and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Auditor's opinion

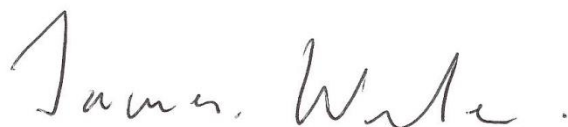
In our opinion:

- 1) The financial report of Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife is in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:
 - a. giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - b. complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Australian Charities and Not-for profits Commission Regulation 2013.
- 2) the financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial results of fundraising appeals of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife for the year ended 31 December 2014, and the financial statements and associated records of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife have been properly kept during the year in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and Regulations; and
- 3) monies received by the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife, as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year ended 31 December 2014, have been accounted for and applied, in all material aspects, in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and its Regulations.



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Sydney, 15 April 2015