



KINGOONYA NRM GROUP

Kingoonya NRM Group Newsletter

Winter 2018

North West Pastoral Field Day

The North West Pastoral Field Day on **Friday 6 July 2018** at the Glendambo Gymkhana Grounds will be an opportunity to see guest presenters and demonstrations, meet and chat with company representatives, plus a whole lot more.

For the first field day in more than 10 years at Glendambo, the Kingoonya NRM Group is working with community, businesses and stock agents to bring agricultural representatives, products and information to you.

There will be plenty to see and experience on the day with a range of guest presenters on topics including the weather, wool, livestock health, feral animals, telemetry, commodities and mental health. There will be representatives from agricultural merchandise companies, start-up businesses, Landmark, Elders, Ruralco and Meat and Livestock Australia.

This exciting event offers something for everyone, with demonstrations of drone technology, sheep ultra scanning, butchery, fencing and sheep dog training where you can bring your sheep dog along to learn more about its behaviour.

Exhibitors include the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Gardens, Northern Motorcycles, North Point Toyota, Hello World Travel, Bush Heritage Australia, Arid Recovery, Westside Physiotherapy and more. See page 7 for full details. We hope to see you there. **For more field day information see pages 2—9 or contact a Kingoonya NRM group member.**



CAPTION:
Rachel Young, Melissa Horgan and Mark Stanley, at the Landcare stall during the Glendambo Field Day in 2005.

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Snake Awareness

Community Snake Awareness sessions with reptile specialist Julian Craig will be held in Andamooka, Olympic Dam, Roxby Downs and Woomera from 24—28 September 2018.

Sessions will include: A snake behaviour demonstration and an opportunity to handle a non-venomous snake; Snake bite first aid; How to stay safe when confronted by a snake; How to Identify a Snake; How to avoid snakes; and a Q & A session.

To register your interest contact Sarah Voumard on 8648 5903 or email sarah.voumard@sa.gov.au

Field Day Demonstrations

Sheep Dog Training

South Australian Working Sheep Dog Association trainer, Josh Lines from Pekina, will run multiple sheep dog training sessions for willing participants and their sheep dogs throughout the day.

Register your interest and get involved!



Sheep Pregnancy Scanning

Paul and Michelle Cousins will scan Merino and Dorper Ewes during two demonstrations.

Each demonstration will include a Q & A session and information on the benefits of scanning on a pastoral property. Case study handouts will also be available.



Sheep Dog Training at the North West Pastoral Field Day

Bring in your working sheep dog & learn about its natural instincts from Josh Lines SA Working Sheep Dog Association
Friday 6th July Glendambo Gymkhana Grounds

To register contact Sarah Voumard (Community Engagement Officer) Kingoonya NRM District 0437 795 792
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Field Day Demonstrations



Busy at work, butcher Tony Lukins

Butchery Demonstration

By Jess Barry, Kingoonya NRM group member.

Who doesn't like a juicy lamb chop on the BBQ or that slowly cooked melt-in-your-mouth slice of roast mutton?

Understanding cuts of meat is the key to getting the best out of meat purchases or property produced meat carcasses and selecting cuts for new kitchen creations.

Tony Lukins is a recently retired butcher of 43 years, 33 years with Woolworths, 20 years on-property butchering and 10 years in a specialist butcher store in Melbourne. Tony will break down sides of lamb and clearly explain cuts, how they relate to your cooking, with tips to create those butcher cuts in your own kitchen utilising items found in your kitchen cupboard and shed.

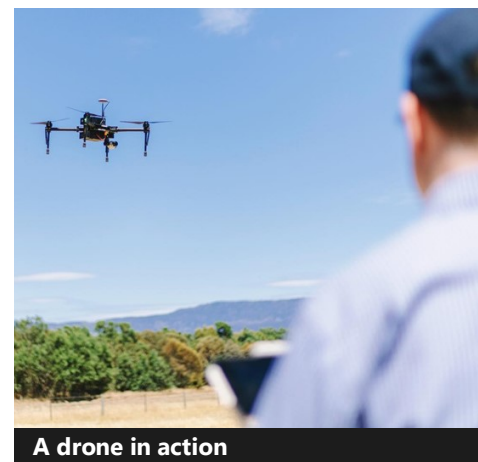
Is that a bird? Is it a plane? No it's a drone!

By Jess Barry, Kingoonya NRM group member

We are all intrigued by the exciting opportunities that aerial drones can provide to benefit the Agricultural Industry, but we are all a bit unsure of this new technology. Meat and Livestock Australia and Rural Co, in conjunction with Precision Hawk, are providing an aerial drone session to shed light on the extent and purpose of drone usage on properties.

Mustering, animal/water monitoring, drought stress identification, drainage mapping, plant counting and yield protection just skim the surface of the possibilities for individual producers.

A pilot will fly drones and demonstrate how drone sensors help to convert aerial data into models and increase business intelligence.



A drone in action

Take some salt out of your bore water

By Alicia from Pure Drop Desalination.

Is salty bore water affecting your garden or livestock? Watch Chris demonstrate a reverse osmosis unit from Puredrop Desalination or chat to him about what set up may work for you. Reverse osmosis technology uses a semipermeable membrane to remove ions, molecules and larger particles from bore water including bacteria. The salt is retained on the pressurized side of the membrane and the pure water is allowed to pass to the other side. Units recover pure water for a wide range of uses in domestic and commercial settings, are custom built using quality parts and Australian made Southern Cross pumps and can be designed for all salt levels up to 10,000 TDS (Total Dissolved Solids). Clean water recovery from a two-membrane unit is up to 15,000 litres per day.

For more information contact Chris 0400 181 889 or send an email to puredropdesalination@gmail.com.



Pure Drop Desalination Plant.

Field Day Activities

School's not out yet

Students, get your hands dirty and learn about the environment and Aboriginal culture.

There will be experiments with soil, canvas to paint, bush foods to smell, wildlife to wonder about, and more.

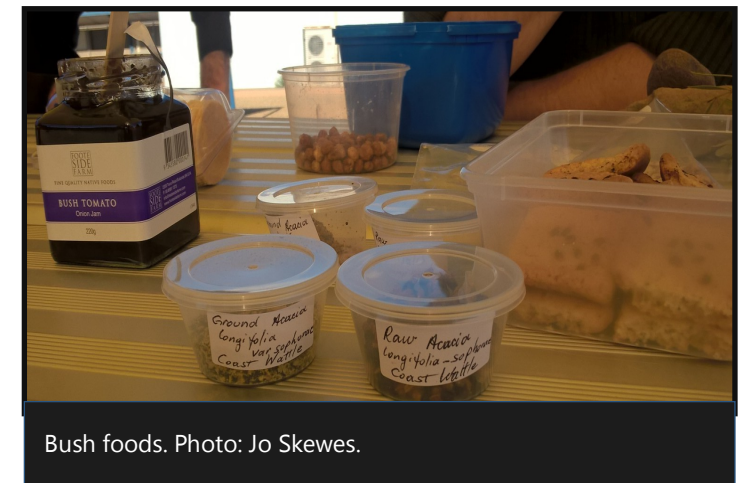
Guest presenter Louise Gavin will draw on her experience as a teacher to engage students in hands-on soil and seed activities.

Student support officer from the Andamooka Primary School and Andamooka Youth Group Coordinator, Donna Waters, will lead activities about Aboriginal culture, dreamtime stories and creating colourful artworks. Samples of bush foods will be available to touch and smell.

Arid Recovery Community Ecologist, Nathan Beerken will be bringing an array of animal skulls and skins and will talk about the burrowing habits of native wildlife



Craft some cute critters. Photo: Jo Skewes



Bush foods. Photo: Jo Skewes.

(bilbies and bettongs vs rabbits), as well as other fun wildlife activities.

The pop up school at the Gymkhana grounds will be set up near the secretary's office. All are welcome to join in with the children and teachers.



Greater Bilby. Photo: Jasmine Vink & Arid Recovery

Gallagher tandem trailer fencing demonstration

Thinking about installing a new fence?

Watch Paul Hutchins from Gallagher demonstrate the new Weston Fence.

Designed as a robust, low maintenance electric fence, it is a fast, easy to construct cost effective way to install a fence.



Weston Fence. Photo: Gallagher

Field Day Presentations

Commodity and Market Reports

By Tricia Williams, Kingoonya NRM group member.

Alice Wilsdon and Adrian Dewell, respective Wool Representatives from Elders and Landmark, will present a market report and outlook for wool. They will touch on wool processing, forward selling of wool and developments in the international textile market. Other topics of interest they are happy to discuss include the benefits and costs of shearing more than once a year through to issues with lice and the importance of product selection in controlling this issue to maximise quality production and yield. They will also offer a brief Q&A session for people to field questions of interest to many wool growers.

Steve Radeski from ANZ will provide a commodity overview from the banking sector's perspective, talk about access to capital and funding the next generation in farming operations.

Nick Sangster from Meat and Livestock Australia has a background as a vet and was head of the vet school at Wagga, amongst other veterinary positions, prior to his current role as the manager of grassfed productivity with MLA. Nick would like to hear from you about what you would like to know more about so he can tailor his talk accordingly. Topics Nick can present on include:

- A description of current research projects in the Rangelands
- Sheep and cattle nutrition and reproduction information
- Livestock health and welfare
- Sheep parasitology
- Autonomous vehicles & digital advances

Do you have a specific area of interest you want to know more about within the wool and meat industries? We would love to hear from you! Please contact Sarah and she will pass your enquiry onto the relevant presenter, sarah.voumard@sa.gov.au or 0437 795 792.

Natural Technologies

By Jess Barry, Kingoonya NRM group member.

Today, renewable energy is a commonly heard term.

We would all like to contribute our part to the environment by reducing fuel emissions while minimising fuel costs and improving inefficient power sources. However, living in a remote area can make it difficult to find the best product, let alone find a leading business willing to install these up to date products.

Natural Technology Systems, based in Adelaide, have been designing Solar Power Systems for 30 years, and offer a highly efficient and cost effective service backed up with specialised training and technical service and spare parts.

Distance and tailored individual design is not an issue—they have installed Diesel Solar Hybrid Power Systems (40-80kw) single to three phase, interactive inverters with options of wind systems throughout many properties in rural South Australia.

Natural Technology Systems will demonstrate these systems and projects to interested landholders looking to achieve those clean energy goals.



Solar Panels

Field Day Presentations

Mental Health



By Jess Barry, Kingoonya NRM group member.

Good mental health is important for everyone, especially living in a country area. Working in such extreme conditions builds resilience but sometimes this can get a bit much for people at anytime of their lives.

Carol-Ann, RFDS Mental Health Nurse will be present on the day to explain how we all can understand mental health not only for ourselves but to help others in their time of need and have the chance to talk about resources and services that are now available in our area.

By Carol-Ann Stanborough, Mental Health Nurse, RFDS.

1 in 5 Australians are dealing with a Mental Health issue or mental illness.

What is the role of the RFDS Mental Health Nurse (MHN) ? The MHN is an integrated part of the RFDS team and visits remote communities and locations as part of the regular RFDS clinics. The role is funded to support GPs by providing specialist mental health assessment, treatment and therapy for people who have severe and complex mental illness.

We encourage you to see your GP first and they will help to work out what service will best suit your needs. The MH nurse also helps to link you into care for your physical health needs and may refer you to a specialist psychiatrist or other services for further help. Carol-Ann will be available to chat to over the lunch break.



Carol-Ann, RFDS Mental Health Nurse

If you or someone you know needs more information please go to:
www.beyondblue.org.au

If you want to talk with someone about feeling under pressure with the stresses of everyday life call Lifeline 24hr 7 days Ph 131 114

If you need medical assistance call RFDS On call GP 24hr 7 days Ph 1800 733 772

If you need emergency mental health assistance call 24hr 7 days Rural and remote Emergency Mental Health service Ph 131 465

Regional Access – free professional telephone counselling service to help people who are feeling the pressures and stresses of everyday life. 24hr 7 days Ph 1300 032 186

1800 respect is a national sexual assault, domestic and family violence counselling service Ph 1300 224 636

Suicide Call back service- 24hr 7 day telephone and online counselling service for anyone impacted by suicide PH 1300 659 467

Kid's Helpline listen ,care and support anytime Ph 1800 551 800

Mensline Telephone support, information and referral service for men with family and relationship concerns Ph 1300 789 978

Frontier Services

Rev' Sunny Kapaparambil, a Uniting Church pastoral minister, will be available at the field day to chat to about ways Frontier Services can assist those who need moral, spiritual, financial or practical support.

Frontier Services can arrange volunteers to boost labour for maintenance and infrastructure projects.

Sunny can be contacted on 0428 941 393.

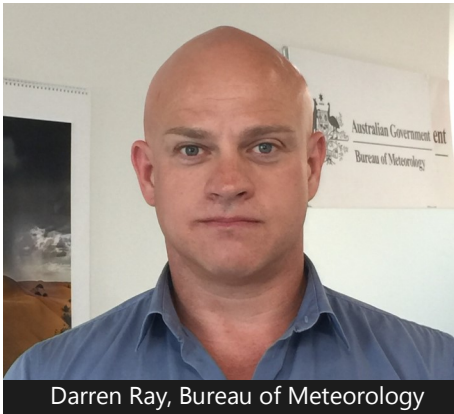
Field Day Presentations & Stalls

Weather

By Darren Ray Senior Climatologist, Bureau of Meteorology

South Australian climate is impacted by both the Pacific and Indian Oceans. Darren will look at what influences rainfall and temperature year to year in central South Australia so come along and learn the latest understanding on El Niño and La Niña and the Indian Ocean Dipole climate influences, the latest in Bureau of Meteorology weather, climate and pasture modelling information, and what the remainder of 2018 into 2019 has in store.

As a part of the Bureau of Meteorology Agriculture team Darren will be keen to hear from you how the Bureau can better tailor weather, water and climate information to improve your business productivity.



Darren Ray, Bureau of Meteorology

Signal strength, frequency, bandwidth, data packets and wireless protocols!

If these terms sound a little foreign to you make sure you are in the audience for Mike's Telemetry presentation!

Following the success of the telemetry demonstration at Wirraminna Station in August, Mike Hayes from in2it is returning to the district to explain the many uses for telemetry systems on a station.

Benefits of telemetry systems include monitoring water tank levels and turning on and off water pumps remotely, at the click of a mouse in the homestead and using the wi-fi system to make mobile phone calls over the Telstra network in areas with no coverage.



Clint Taylor, Karl Wurst, and Margie & Peter Whittlesea.

NORTH EAST PASTORAL FIELD DAY STALLS

- Arid Lands Botanic Gardens
- Pure Drop Desalination
- Arid Recovery & Bush Heritage Australia
- SheepConnectSA
- PIRSA: Animal Health
- Natural Technologies
- Elders
- Landmark
- North Point Toyota
- Northern Motorcycles
- Westside Physiotherapy
- Hello World Travel
- Glendambo CFS
- Woomera Defence
- RFDS Mental Health
- Frontier Services
- Meat and Livestock Australia
- Mining company representatives from OZ Minerals, CU River, and WPG Resources.
- Company representatives from: Leader, Warratah, Gallagher, Southern Wire, ZEE tags, NOV Australia, Engine pumps and power, Vinidex, Grundfos, Waterboy Pumps, Zoetis, Bushmans tanks, Philmac ... and more!

Is there a company you would like to see at the Field Day? Please contact Sarah Voumard with your request on 0437 795 792.

Field Day



ABOVE: Take a closer look at the animals in the rangelands. Can't see them? Hear from people who study them!

Photo by Will Langley of North Well Station.

Why are feral cats a problem?

By Clint Taylor, Kingoonya NRM Group member

Feral cats are the main host of a parasite called *Toxoplasma gondii*. This parasite can cause a disease in some mammals, including humans and sheep, called Toxoplasmosis.

This disease can cause abortions and still births in humans and sheep as well as affecting some native mammals.

Bush Heritage Australia will have more information about feral cats and the effects of toxoplasmosis on livestock at the North West Pastoral Field Day on 6 July.

What are we doing to reduce numbers?

Bon Bon Station's feral animal management has continued with a total of 18 foxes and 38 feral cats removed since October 2017.

This does not include the animals that have taken baits as part of our ongoing baiting program. Our baiting program includes a total of approximately 345km of tracks including the boundary.

Anecdotally we have been seeing more feral cats recently and this is reflected by the numbers of animals we have been trapping.



Feral Cat. Photo: Hugh McGregor Arid Recovery Reserve



Sunset at Glendambo, April 2018. Photo: Carla Patridge

Field Day Program

Time	What & Who	Demonstrations	Students
9:30	Stalls open & Morning tea	Sheep Dog Training 9am-4:30pm	Morning tea
10:00	Official Opening	Weston Fencing 9am-12pm	Soil Erosion Activities
10:15	Are you ok? Mental Health – Carol-Ann RFDS		Soil Erosion Activities
10:45	Stall Walk presentations	Desalination Plant	Watch Sheep Dogs
	Free time to look at stalls		Watch Sheep Dogs
11:45	Feral Animal talks - David Peacock PIRSA		Aboriginal culture art
12:15	Weather – Darren Ray BOM		Aboriginal culture art
12:45	Lunch brought to you by OZ Minerals	Sheep Pregnancy Scanning	Lunch break
1:15	Telemetry – Mike Hayes In2it	Sheep Pregnancy Scanning	Bush Foods
2:00		Drone	Seed Critters
2:30	Wool – Alice Wilsdon & Adrian Dewell Elders & Landmark		Seed Critters
3:00	Access to capital & a commodities overview – Steve Radeski ANZ		Seed Critters
3:30	Afternoon tea – bar opens	Sheep Pregnancy Scanning	Afternoon tea
	LAST CHANCE TO SEE STALLS		Wildlife
3:45	Livestock health & MLA research projects – Nick Sangster MLA		Wildlife
4:30	Battery storage & solar systems – Kim Atkinson - Natural Technologies		Wildlife
5:00	Official close		
6:00	Dinner supported by MLA at the Glendambo Hotel followed by live music.		

MLA Dinner at the Glendambo Hotel

Join us for dinner after the field day at the Glendambo Hotel. Meat and Livestock Australia are sponsoring the meal so if you plan to stay for dinner to avoid going hungry please rsvp to Sarah Voumard on 8648 5903 or sarah.voumard@sa.gov.au

Lily and the Drum

Be entertained by alternative bluesy roots, rock and soul duo Lily and the Drum on Friday night (6 July). The duo features vocalist, guitarist, Lily, and John on percussion, harmonica & backing vocals. *Lily and the Drum* will fill the Glendambo pub with music from 7:30—11pm.

Their shows have been described as “Honest, raw and energetic” and “A guitar and drum duo with an exciting rich melodic sound”. The duo is popular for their live performances and their recorded performances have also captured the attention of the music industry with three Albums in the Top 25 Australian Blues and Roots Airplay Chart. They also play a selection of great songs from well known artists. Check them out at www.lilyandthedrum.com.au



Conservation efforts captured



Knob-tailed gecko. Photo: Sarah Voumard

Arid Recovery Reserve News

The new education centre has opened on the Arid Recovery Reserve and includes a large classroom and accommodation for up to 18 people, along with the kitchen, bathroom and outdoor decking area.

Staff have been surveying Bettongs and releasing Western Quolls at the reserve throughout May.

For more information visit www.aridrecovery.org.au

Arid Recovery Reserve Pitfall Trapping

Arid Recovery had a successful 20th year of running the small invertebrate trapping event at the start of March.

The survey is held to gather valuable ecological data and track how populations are changing over time. Two decades of the survey has seen species such as sand swimmers, hopping mice, beaded gecko, knob-tailed gecko, Mallee Dragon and plains mice caught in the 240 pitfall traps.

Animals collected were placed in calico bags labelled with their site number, line and pit size, with animals then weighed, measured, identified in the laboratory at Arid Recovery and released back to the sites they were collected from.



Western Quoll. Photo Georgia Gowing.

Bush Heritage Australia - Bon Bon Station Update

By Clint Taylor, Kingoonya NRM Group member

January and February allowed for some good follow up control of Buffel Grass (*Cenchrus ciliaris*) across Bon Bon Station Reserve, including populations along the Stuart Highway, Old Stuart Highway and some other isolated patches across the reserve.

The Stuart Highway is naturally the main vector for the spread of Buffel Grass throughout the Reserve, with general traffic, tourists and transport companies inadvertently moving seeds in their vehicles.

With the Grey Nomad season looming, a timely response after rainfall (if we see it) will be important to keep on top of the Buffel Grass in and around the rest areas and numerous unofficial camping sites across the reserve.

These unofficial camping sites, where tourists follow an unbeaten path to find a nice quiet place to stay the night off the highway, pose a significant threat to the reserve as these areas can easily be infested with Buffel Grass without us knowing.

However, considering these challenges, we are seeing positive results from our control efforts to date.



Buffel Grass. Photo: Bush Heritage Australia

SAAL NRM Community Grant Projects

Rabbit Warren Ripping

The ripper has been in action through rabbit warrens on Billa Kalina Station.

These works not only help to reduce rabbit numbers on the station, while it's dry they also slow soil erosion, and maintain plants in the landscape.

The combination of soil conservation works and reducing animals grazing in areas aims to improve ground cover when the soil is hydrated to gain ground cover and make the most of good seasons in a boom bust environment.

Arid Recovery

Feral predator control from July 2017 to April 2018 has seen the removal of 41 feral cats and two foxes by 11 volunteers.

A combination of spotlighting and trapping was used.

No kittens have been spotted indicating that no breeding is occurring in response to the dry conditions.

Twenty-one cats were dissected and found to have been eating predominantly small mammals, reptiles, invertebrates and birds.

Andamooka Community Garden & Arid Explorers

Supported by the local community, two SA Arid Lands NRM Board grant projects have been successfully undertaken in Andamooka.

The combination of the community garden and Arid Explorers garden offers a space to unwind, gather food, a chance to learn about arid smart gardening and different cultural uses for native plants.

Species selection for the plantings were in conjunction with the local Kokatha Aboriginal community to ensure that important regional species were included.

Garden beds, irrigation lines, play spaces, benches and a sand pit were all built to create a community space that locals and visitors can appreciate. The garden includes a vegie patch that fits with the primary schools Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden initiative.

The Andamooka Primary School revegetation initiative supported by staff, students, parents and volunteers, has added shade and shelter trees to the town. More trees will be planted around the town now the species are available and the weather has cooled down.

Andamooka is looking a little greener now - take a look!



Andamooka Community Garden. Photos: Charlie & Pip & APOMA

Around the traps



Setting a trap Kris Strawbridge, Brian (Goey) Gill & Michael Davidson



Securing a trap in the ground Sarah Voumard, Brian (Goey) Gill

Wild Dog Trapper Training Workshops By Chris Havelberg, Wild Dog Project officer

Twenty-three land managers from the North East Pastoral, North Flinders and Kingoonya Districts attended Wild Dog Trapping Schools at Erudina and Arcoona Stations in February.

Facilitated by Paul Billsborough from Wildpest Management Pty. Ltd. participants increased their confidence and skills in wild dog trapping through a combination of knowledge sharing and hands on experience. Feedback from participants was positive, with one participant stating, "It was a very informative and well-presented course. I would recommend it to others in the future."

The workshops were delivered by the Natural Resources SA Arid Lands 'BITEBACK' program on behalf of the SA Arid Lands NRM Board, with assistance through the Agricultural Productivity White Paper funding from the Commonwealth Government.

For an added bonus to this year's training, Gus Corlett from Skies Eye Drone Services demonstrated drone technology and explained its uses in managing stock and assisting with feral management

Wild Dog Trapper Funding

Two full-time equivalent wild dog trappers will be employed from 1 July 2018 to assist with wild dog control. The Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, Hon Tim Whetstone MP, announced the funding on 24 May 2018.

Also announced was a one-off \$200,000 funding boost into the wild dog baiting program which will provide landholders with more than 100,000 manufactured and fresh meat baits in pastoral areas, in addition to the 180,000 baits, which have been supplied through the 'Biteback' program this year.

Details on how to apply will be sent to landholders in coming weeks.

Digital Storytelling workshops

Capturing stories is now much easier with modern devices. Learn how to use what you have in your pocket to capture your own, community, business, traditional and family stories. Stu Nankivell from Blue Goanna Digital will be running sessions on how to use smartphones and tablets to tell stories in an accessible way.

Sessions will cover principles of what makes a good story, video and audio tips and tricks, framing as well as what apps or programs are out there. This is a great opportunity to learn new ways to document and share your own history and stories and is suitable for all ages and stages. BYO mobile, camera & digital devices.

Workshops will be held in June in Coober Pedy (19th), Roxby Downs (20th), Marree (21st), Copley (22nd) and Hawker (23rd). Times TBC. Contact Lelia 0408 807 489.

Kingoonya Biteback program update

Ground Baiting (1 July 2017 –1 May 2018)

A total of 32,300 (22,650 injected, 9,600 manufactured and 50 CPE Capsules) baits were distributed to land managers in the Kingoonya district during the 2017/18 financial year. (1,875 more baits compared to the 2016/17 financial year).

Twenty-one land managers (72.4%) from the Kingoonya district attended the injection services, the same as the previous year.

Monitoring (Calendar year 2017)

So far, 17 land managers (60.7%) have returned maps from the Kingoonya district for the 2017 calendar year.

If you have not currently returned your wild dog activity map for the spring period (1 July – 31 December 2017), please do so ASAP. This information is used to guide wild dog control efforts in your area. If we do not receive information about wild dog activity on your property, we can only assume you are not experiencing any impacts.

Kingoonya Data collected from returned maps for 2017**

Shot	Trapped	Seen (including Tracks)	Stock Losses	Dens
59	126	58	276	2

**The above information was collected from returned map information only and does not include wild dogs destroyed by professional trappers or properties who have not returned a map.

Other incentives offered through the Biteback Program

Trapper Reimbursement

Funding is still available to cover up to 50% of the cost for land managers in the SA Arid Lands region (south of the Dog Fence) to engage a professional wild dog trapper. For more information, or to submit an expression of interest, please contact SA Arid Lands NRM on 8648 5300.

Aerial Baiting

The aerial baiting program was completed in early April funded through Australian Wool Innovations (AWI) and Sheep Industry Fund (SIF). The focus this year will be on areas of high wild dog activity and impacts, based on data collected from land managers during 2017.

Proposed date for Spring Injection Service & Subsidised Baits - Kingoonya/Gawler Ranges Districts 6 - 9 November 2018

At this stage we have tentatively booked a week into the Calendar for the Spring Injection Services in the Kingoonya District.

Please Note: These dates may change depending on availability of staff/land managers and other commitments.

Subsidised Manufactured Baits

Subsidised price manufactured baits are still available to properties located in the SA Arid Lands region. Anyone interested in purchasing manufactured baits at the subsidised price

If you have any concerns about the proposed dates or would like to purchase subsidised baits please contact Marty Bower - State Wild Dog Coordinator (8648 5986 or 0419 835 120 marty.bower@sa.gov.au) or Chris Havelberg – Wild Dog Project Officer (8648 5962 0458 566 536 chris.havelberg@sa.gov.au)

Around the traps

Top 10 Travel Tips Poster

In response to impacts from tourism in rural areas, the North Flinders NRM Group has developed a Top 10 Travel Tips poster to encourage responsible travel. With improved and more affordable 4WD, caravan and camping technology, tourists are more self-sufficient and can travel further and more remotely than ever before. This has seen an increase in behaviours such as driving off tracks, camping without permission near stock waters or homesteads, and littering.

By framing the information as travel tips, the aim is travellers will see the messaging in a positive light rather than a list of “do-nots”. The posters will be distributed to tourism businesses and roadhouses across the SA Arid Lands region, will be available online at the SAAL website, and will appear in the 2019 Flinders Ranges and Outback Tourism Guide, . For a copy of the poster, download it from our website or contact Cherie Gerlach at cherie.gerlach@sa.gov.au or on 8648 5979.



Kangaroo Pilot Projects

Staff from the Department for Environment and Water are still seeking landowners interested in becoming involved in pilot projects as a result of the Kangaroo Management Forum held at Yunta in November 2017

Landowners experiencing land management issues attributed to high kangaroo numbers and keen to consider using different approaches to managing kangaroos

through the existing permit systems, as well as working with kangaroo industry operators, are encouraged to contact Kangaroo Management Program staff.

Possible projects that could be trialled are:

- Managing kangaroos where the industry is unable to operate;
- Using field processors to manage kangaroos the industry is unable to take;
- Using multiple field processors to reduce kangaroo numbers across a

large land holding;

- Landholders providing incentives for field processors that result in improved outcomes for both parties; and
- Field processors both harvesting kangaroos for the industry and culling for the landholder.

Any landholders or field processors interested in a pilot project should contact the Kangaroo Management Program on 8648 5300 or email KMP@sa.gov.au

Do you prefer paper publications or digital?

This is one of the questions we are asking in our communications survey and we'd love to hear what you think. With an increasing reliance on information via digital sources, we are keen to hear how you prefer to receive information from us and how this relates to the Board's communications and engagement.

We estimate the survey should take between five to 10 minutes and we will use the information you provide to tailor communication and engagement to community preferences, and to track changes from a similar survey conducted in 2013. We encourage you to add further information where appropriate. General results from the survey will be published in the next edition of the Across the Outback e-newsletter.

Visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/saalcomms for the online survey and go into the draw to win an SA Arid Lands prize pack. If you would like a hard copy of the survey, contact Cherie Gerlach on 86485979.

What is coming up in the district?

Event	Date	Location	Detail
Kingoonya Kamp Oven Kookoff	9 June	Kingoonya	Cook a dish in a camp oven, with plenty of prizes for the best main course or dessert and money goes to a good cause. Register now. Entertainment Saturday night.
Andamooka Market	10 June 10am 2pm	Andamooka	Come to Andamooka to browse the stalls, participate in activities and more!
Digital Story Telling Workshops	19 June 20 June	Coober Pedy Roxby Downs	Learn how to use mobile phones and tablets to capture stories. An interactive workshop for all ages and stages.
North West Pastoral Field day	6 July	Glendambo Gymkhana grounds	A full day of speakers, demonstrations and stalls offering something for everyone - even the children!
Snake Awareness Sessions	24-28 September	Andamooka Olympic Dam Roxby Downs Woomera	Community and school sessions on things that bite and sting, snake behavior and awareness and first aid.
Glendambo Gymkhana	12 & 13 October	Glendambo Race Course	Glendambo Gymkhana, family fun day and motorbike and horse gymkhana, camping facilities and evening entertainment with a roast dinner available.
1080 Bait injection service	6-9 November	Various stations	Proposed dates for 1080 Injection service for wild dogs baits. RSVP to Chris Havelberg 0458 566 536

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Kingoonya Natural Resource Management Group members

The Kingoonya NRM group invites you to the
NORTH WEST PASTORAL FIELD DAY
Friday 6 July Glendambo Gymkhana Grounds, 9.30am – 5pm

DEMONSTRATIONS

Butchery
DJI Drones
Desalination
Sheep Dog Training
Sheep Pregnancy Scanning

SPEAKERS

Livestock Health & MLA project update – Nick Sangster
Feral Animals – David Peacock, PIRSA
Weather – Darren Ray, BoM
Telemetry – Mike Hayes, In2it
Wool – Adrian Dewell, Landmark & Alice Wilsdon, Elders
Commodities – Steve Radeski, ANZ
Natural Technologies – Kim Atkinson
Mental Health – RFDS Nurse Carol-Ann Stanborough

Enquires to Sarah Voumard 0437 795 792

Free entry – onsite camping – over 18 stalls – school lessons – Dinner & live music Glendambo Hotel

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