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# Kununoppin BioBlitz Report



Kununoppin Town & Water Reserves  
(AVON L 14263, 13252, 16764 & 22520)

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

## 1.1. Background

The 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz was the third community-based, collaborative, 24-hour biological survey<sup>1</sup> organised by WWF-Australia (WWF) in the Avon River Basin, undertaken in two shire-vested Reserves in the Shire of Trayning. Professional and amateur biologists, ecologists and naturalists - working as volunteers for WWF - conducted fieldwork with members of local Trayning communities to help them discover more about biodiversity in two relatively high conservation value local reserves. The data obtained during the BioBlitz provides a useful indicator of environmental quality and serves as a baseline for future monitoring and management of the reserves.

## 1.2. Project Description

The 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz involved a comprehensive biodiversity survey team brought together specifically for the purpose of conducting a 'snapshot' biological survey in this designated site within the Avon River Basin. The BioBlitz was organised by WWF in response to a request from the Shire of Trayning and the North Eastern Wheatbelt Regional Organisation of Councils (NEWROC) - with which WWF has a partnership agreement.

WWF has worked closely with NEWROC in recent years, particularly through the Woodland Watch project, to provide information regarding the biodiversity values of shire-vested Reserves within the NEWROC region. The intention of this series of 'snapshot' biodiversity surveys in the region has been to raise the profile of the value of remnant bushland in the district, and provide shires with baseline data on some of their largest reserves.

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<sup>1</sup> For more information on the BioBlitz process, please refer to the BioBlitz Organisational Guide (CMNH 1995) online at <http://web.uconn.edu/mnh/bioblitz/>

### **1.3. Rationale**

In conducting the Kununoppin BioBlitz, WWF is continuing to reinforce key elements of the partnership agreement signed with NEWROC early in 2002. The BioBlitz concept is a cost-effective, volunteer-focussed and community-based monitoring event, which provides a rapid assessment of site-specific biodiversity that contributes to NEWROC objectives of gaining more information about the biodiversity of the region.

The volunteers who participated in the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz comprised scientists, amateur naturalists and biologists, and enthusiastic 'learners'.

### **1.4. Goals**

The primary goals of the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz were to:

- collect data on as many species, from as many taxonomic groups, as possible in a 24-hour time period;
- identify any rare and unique species that may be located in the reserves; and
- document the species' occurrence.

Other (secondary) goals were to:

- bring specialists with considerable expertise to an isolated rural community for scientific endeavour;
- build links between scientists and lay community members, and between urban and rural residents;
- raise awareness of the biodiversity richness (and the natural value) of a high conservation value patch of bush;
- create a local learning opportunity – as one of the best ways to learn about biodiversity is to get out into the field alongside experienced scientists; and
- have fun – making an enjoyable day for everyone in the bush, while collecting baseline biological information.

## 2.0 List of Participants

About 50 people contributed to and/or participated in the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz. The voluntary efforts of every participant contributed to the success of the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz - the third BioBlitz to be conducted in the Wheatbelt by WWF. There were many new faces at the 2004 event, along with a core group of volunteers who have contributed their time and expertise at every BioBlitz since 2002. A special thanks to this latter group of highly committed individuals (indicated with an asterix\*), as well as the Team Leaders (in bold text).

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## 3.0 Site Description

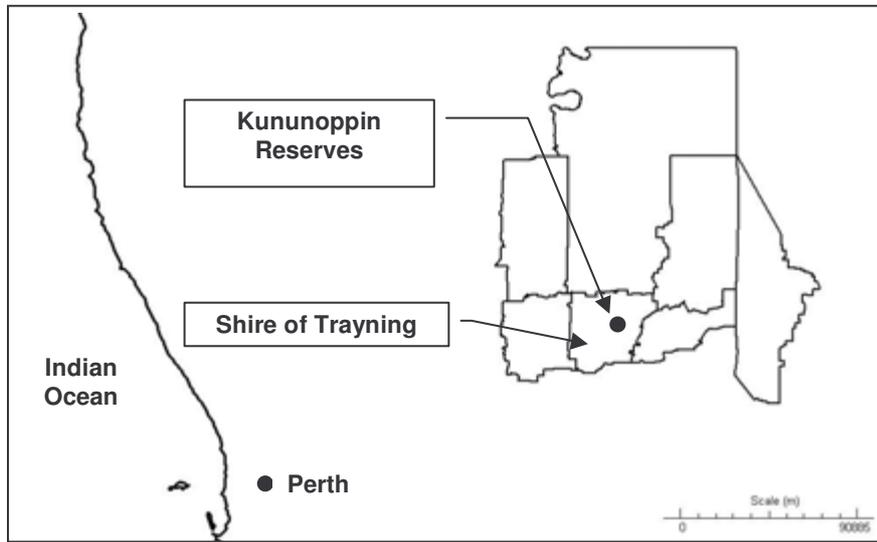
### 3.1. Site Location

The Kununoppin Water and Recreation Reserves (AVON L 14263, 13252, 16764 & 22520) are located in the Shire of Trayning. The reserves surround, and are adjacent to, the townsite of Kununoppin – about 265km Northeast of Perth, on the Nungarin - Wyalkatchem Road. Trayning is one of 41 shires in the Avon River Basin. The Avon River Basin is one of fifty-seven Natural Resource Management zones in Australia (Commonwealth of Australia 2002, 2004). The Avon River is fed by runoff from tributaries within the Yilgarn and Lockhart sub-catchments, which have their headwaters beyond the clearing line and rabbit-proof fence in the east of the WA agricultural area. Water flows intermittently, if at all, along the Avon River and its major tributaries to meet the Swan River in the state's capital of Perth.



**Figure 1** - View west across a saline drainage system to the west of Kununoppin to an emergent York gum (*Eucalyptus loxophleba*) woodland. Water flowing past Kununoppin enters the Yilgarn sub-catchment of the Avon River and eventually flows into the Swan River.

## 3.2 GPS and Map Co-ordinates



**Figure 2** - Location of the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz and the NEWROC region. The distance from Perth is approximately 265km. Created using data from the *Avon Catchment Council's* Spatial Data Project.

Kununoppin Town Reserve: Latitude **31.10 °S** Longitude **117.89°E** (WGS84)

Kununoppin Water Reserve: Latitude **31.08 °S** Longitude **117.92°E** (WGS84)

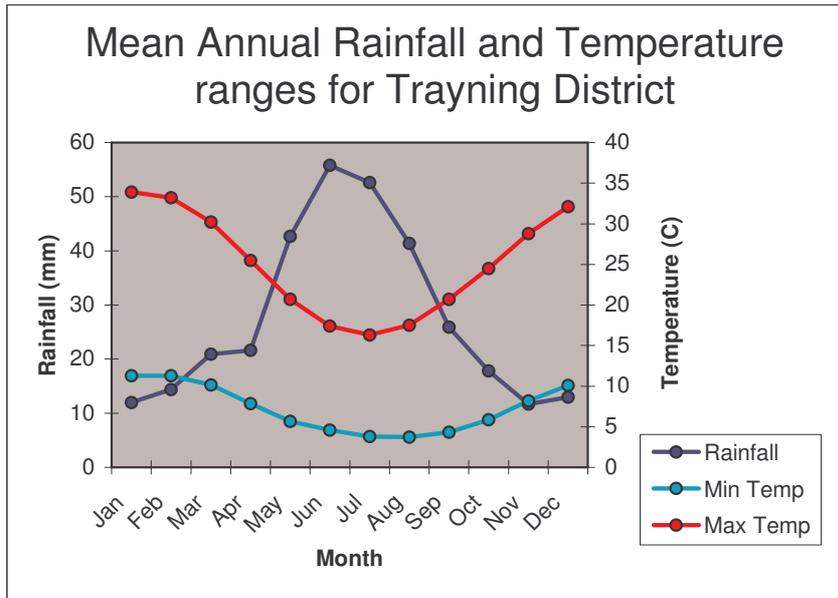
Bencubbin Topographic Map (1:100 000 scale)

National Topographic Map Series

## 3.3. Weather Conditions

The climate of the WA Wheatbelt region has been described as typically a dry, warm Mediterranean climate; with winter-predominant precipitation of between 300 – 650mm per annum, and 7 – 8 months of predominantly dry weather (Beard 1990). The area around the Shire of Trayning receives on average approximately 325mm of rainfall each year (pers. comm. Linda Vernon).

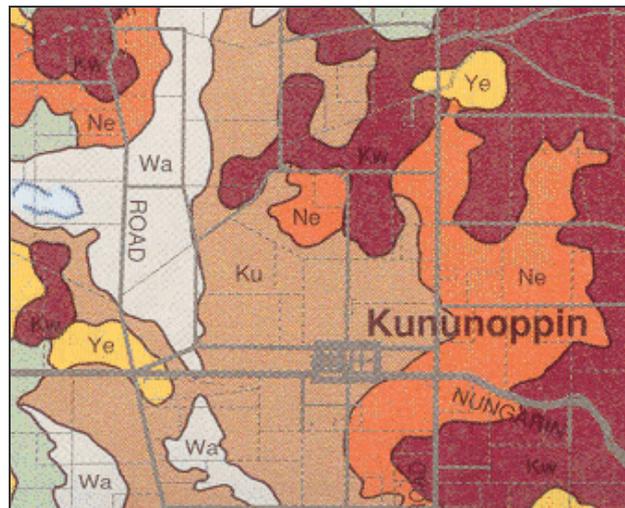
Typical temperatures in the area range from 5.7°C to 16.3°C during the winter months (June-August) to 16.9°C to 33.9°C during summer (December-February). (Commonwealth of Australia 2004b).



**Figure 3** – Annual Temperature and Rainfall patterns for the Trayning district, averaged over 108 years. Source: Bureau of Meteorology Website

During the 2004 BioBlitz survey, the weather conditions ranged from cool and damp conditions in the mornings (with clear skies), bright sunshine throughout the days, followed by cool and frosty conditions overnight. The temperatures recorded during the BioBlitz weekend were: Saturday - min 0.4°C, max 17.4°C; and Sunday - min 2.8°C, max 21.6°C (Commonwealth of Australia 2004b).

### 3.4. Geology and Soils



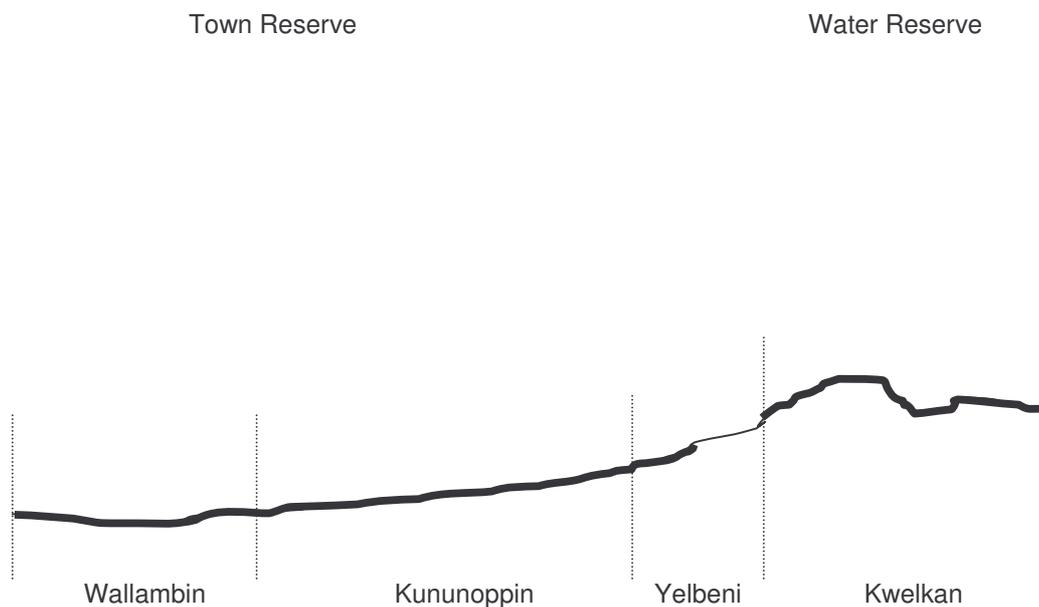
**Figure 4** - Extract from landscape map of the Bencubbin area (Grealish & Wagnon 1995) showing localised soil systems around Kununoppin.

The soils of the Kununoppin Town Reserve are dominated by the Kununoppin Soil System, with minor Wallambin and Yelbeni soil systems in the west (Grealish & Wagnon 1995). In contrast, the majority of the Water Reserve has soils typical of the Kwelkan Soil System, with some minor patches of Kununoppin Soils on its southern boundaries.

Kununoppin (Ku) Soils generally occur on level or gently sloping plains that form valley and lower slopes, commonly on the southeastern margins of salt lakes (Grealish & Wagnon 1995). The vegetation is typically morrel and salmon gum woodlands with a shrubby understorey. Kwelkan (Kw) Soils occur on undulating hills with granite outcrops in all landscape positions. Streams are typical, especially in soils dominated by variable-depth gritty quartz sand to sandy loams (Grealish & Wagnon 1995).

Wallambin (Wa) Soils occur on level plains and are characterised by salt lakes, interconnected salt drainage channels and sand dunes. Typical native vegetation includes samphire and saltbush. Fringing shrublands exist on weakly developed alkaline

soils – which grade from loams to clays further from the salt lakes (Grealish & Wagnon 1995). Yelbeni (Ye) Soils occurs on gently undulating plains in upland areas. Soils are varied, including deep yellow sand, sandy loam, gravelly loams and breakaways (Grealish & Wagnon 1995). Heath and shrubland are common, with minor mallee and woodland areas.



**Figure 5** – Cross section of the Soil Systems occurring in the Kununoppin area with the bold line (  ) representing each reserve as it sits in the landscape (after Grealish & Wagnon 1995).

### 3.5 Regional Significance

The Shire of Trayning extends over approximately 165,000 hectares, of which 10.04% is remnant vegetation (Safstrom 1999). Approximately 6.42% of the remnant vegetation cover is on private land. Both the Kununoppin Town Reserve and the Kununoppin Water Reserve are large, intact patches of remnant vegetation, and are part of a network of large remnants in the Northeast of the Trayning Shire, which includes the relatively well-known Billlycatting Reserve.

The Kununoppin Water Reserve has played an important role in supplying Kununoppin with water, utilising a roaded catchment and drainage channels alongside the Bencubbin - Kununoppin Road which flow into the town dam. The Kununoppin Town Reserve was totally cleared of vegetation (mostly salmon gum woodland) in 1909/1910 prior to being gazetted (Couper 2004), with the only 'virgin' bush being left to the west of the townsites in the vicinity of the natural wetlands area. The Reserve has provided a variety of functions for the Kununoppin community over the years, including gravel (since 1910), for local infrastructure such as the Kununoppin airstrip and local roads.

The Kununoppin Water Reserve is a magnificent example of an upper-landscape granite ecosystem, containing *Acacia spp.* and *Melaleuca spp.* shrublands, mallee and open woodlands of salmon gum (*E. salmonophloia*) and gimlet (*E. salubris*). A dense matt of annuals and a highly intact cryptogam layer add to the Reserve's natural values.

The Kununoppin Town Reserve is a unique example of regrowth woodland of mixed morrel, salmon gum and gimlet, which has recovered to a good quality structure in the 94 years since it was cleared. The variety of plants and animals in this bush is a tribute to the bush's ability to recover from major disturbance many years ago.

As large and representative patches of Wheatbelt remnant vegetation, the Kununoppin Water and Town reserves are an important local biodiversity asset. Recent assessment by the Department of Environment has determined both reserves to have a 'high' regional biodiversity value (pers comm. Chantelle Noack, 2004).

In summary, both Reserves are considered to be regionally significant, and worthy of active conservation management to protect both natural and cultural qualities in and around Kununoppin.

## 4.0 Survey Methodology

The BioBlitz began after an extensive preparation period prior to the arrival of participants in Kununoppin in mid-September 2004. Eleven 'Team Leaders' were briefed then allocated to a group of four to six volunteers to work with during the field survey sessions. Each team operated independently, collecting data on their particular field, with the Team Leader responsible for returning the data to the BioBlitz co-ordinator at the end of each survey period.

The first survey period was conducted from 1pm to 5pm on Saturday September 11, with the second survey period running from 8am to 1pm on Sunday September 12. A number of birding teams surveyed outside this timeframe - to make the most of the dawn and dusk bird activity, and another group ('the Night-stalkers') looked for nocturnal activity on the Saturday evening as part of the 'Great Australian Marsupial Nightstalk'.

All data was collected by 1pm on the Sunday afternoon – the designated finish for the 24hr BioBlitz period - and was subsequently collated for further analysis where required.

*For more information on preparing your own BioBlitz please visit the Connecticut Museum of Natural History Website, <http://web.uconn.edu/mnh/bioblitz/>*

## 5.0 Results

A total of 271 individual plant and animal species were recorded from the Kununoppin Town and Water Reserves during the 24-hour BioBlitz period. These included: 7 species of mammals, 11 reptiles and amphibians, 52 birds, 27 invertebrates, 165 plants and 9 lichens.

### 5.1 Fauna

Of the mammals, four were feral species (domestic dog, feral cat, European fox and European rabbit), while the rest were native mammals commonly seen in the district (western grey kangaroo, short-nosed echidna and white-striped mastiff bat).



Figure 6 - Bobtail skink (*Tiliqua rugosa*) foraging beneath shrubland.

Two Herpetological teams identified four (4) lizards, three (3) geckos and three (3) snakes over the two days. The lizards included the wood mulch slider (*Lerista muelleri*), western bluetongue (*Tiliqua occipitalis*) and bobtail lizard (*Tiliqua rugosa*). The fourth species was recorded as a historical sighting, being a large bungarra (*Varanus gouldii*), known to inhabit the Town

Reserve, but not observed on the day.

The three geckos included the beautiful gecko (*Diplodactylus pulcher*), the variegated tree dtella (*Gherya variegata*) and another gecko (*Heteronotia binoei*). The three snakes were the dugite (*Pseudonaja affinis*), the gwardar (*Pseudonaja nuchalis*) and *Suta gouldii*. Only one Amphibian species was identified, being the immature tadpoles of *Littoria spp* from the dam within the Town Reserve.



Figure 7 – Pink and grey galah (*Cacatua roseicapilla*), a common species in the WA Wheatbelt. Photo by Elanor Adams.

The five ornithological teams identified 52 bird species, from within all of the major vegetation types in both reserves. Twenty-two (22) of these species were considered remnant dependant or declining in the Wheatbelt (Pers. comm. Cheryl Gole). These declining species were the Australian owlet-nightjar, brown honeyeater, brown-headed honeyeater, chestnut-rumped thornbill, common bronzewing, crested bellbird, grey butcherbird, grey fantail, grey shrike-thrush, jacky winter, red-capped robin, rufous whistler, spiny-cheeked honeyeater, striated pardalote, tawny frogmouth, weebill, western gerygone, white-browed babbler, white-eared honeyeater, white-winged fairy-wren, white-winged triller and yellow-rumped thornbill.



**Figure 8** – Distinctive burrow of the threatened tree-stem trapdoor spider (*Aganippe castellum*), against a Jam (*Acacia acuminata*) tree-stem.

Opportunistic observations in the Reserves recorded a small number of invertebrates. The terrestrial species included ants, spiders, flies and centipedes, while aquatic species included midges, beetles and leeches. Significantly, a small colony of the threatened tree-stem trapdoor spider (*Aganippe castellum*) (figure 8) was recorded in the Reserve, representing a new population of this species.

## 5.2 Flora

Six dominant vegetation types occur in the Kununoppin Town and Water Reserves being;

- Mixed salmon gum/gimlet woodland;
- Red morrel woodland;
- York gum woodland;
- Granite outcrop open shrubland
- *Acacia* spp. and *Melaleuca* spp. shrubland; and
- Salt Lake (Playa) communities, including *Halosarcia* spp.

Overall, the condition of these vegetation types was considered to be 'good' to 'very good', with minimal disturbance throughout. A number of tracks and roads were present within the Town Reserve, as well as historical debris from pioneering times. This debris has become part of the character of the bush, providing habitat for reptiles and invertebrate life.



**Figure 9** - This york gum (*E. loxophleba*) woodland displays a bountiful array of annual wildflowers beneath its canopy. Photo by Sam Atkinson

The three botanical teams identified a total of 165 plant species over the weekend. These species were identified from mainly within woodland habitat, although some species were recorded from within shrubland and granite complexes. Botanical specimens from york gum (*E. loxophleba*) and salmon gum (*E. salmonophloia*) woodlands were vouchered by the Western Australian Herbarium as part of the Woodland Watch project.

Seven (7) weed species were identified during the surveys, all being commonly associated with agricultural practices. These weed plants included capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*\*), wild oats (*Avena barbata*\*), Mediterranean turnip (*Brassica tournefortii*\*), red brome grass (*Bromus rubens*\*), slender iceplant (*Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum*\*), stinking rodger (*Tripteris clandestina*\*) and *Cleretum papulosum*\*. While no declared weeds were identified during the BioBlitz, it is highly likely that Paterson's Curse (*Echium plantagineum*) is present in the reserve. It is known to occur in the road reserve coming from Kununoppin.



**Figure 10** - Capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*) is a common agricultural fodder plant that is often found as an invasive species in and on the edges of most remnant vegetation.

The single team searching for lichens in the reserves found a total of nine (9) species, most of which are considered as common (but frequently ignored) species.

## 6.0 Recommendations

The Kununoppin Water and Recreation Reserve is a large patch of remnant vegetation considered to be of high conservation value. The Water Reserve contains *Acacia* spp. and *Melaleuca* spp. shrublands, mallee and open woodlands, as well as a dense mat of annuals. The Kununoppin Town Reserve is a unique example of regrowth woodland of mixed morrel, salmon gum and gimlet. This Reserve is known to provide habitat for at least 271 species of flora and fauna, with the actual number likely to be considerably higher.

Apart from its function as a water collection and storage facility, the Reserve is also used regularly by members of the Kununoppin community for sports and leisure activities. In addition, gravel is extracted from a number of pits in the Reserve, providing valuable resources for local infrastructure. The Kununoppin Reserve has a long history of use by the local community which is likely to continue well into the future.

Management planning for the Reserve is in its initial stages, involving a range of key stakeholders including the Shire of Trayning, the Water Corporation, the Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM), the Kununoppin community and WWF-Australia.

The information attained during the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz has made a significant contribution towards a better understanding of the composition and value of the Reserve, while acting as an 'at-the-time' snapshot of the Reserve's value as a regional biodiversity asset. The data has also helped identify management actions that need to be addressed to protect these special values.

Based on the data collected, the observations made, the advice put forward by the specialists attending the 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz, and contributions from local key stakeholders and community members, the following recommendations are made:

1. That a copy of the 2004 Kununoppin Reserve BioBlitz report be forwarded to: the Avon Catchment Council for use in its Regional NRM planning; the Shire of Trayning and the WA Water Corporation for use in their reserve management and planning; and to the CALM regional office in Merredin for inclusion in its database.
2. That the Shire of Trayning changes the purpose of the Kununoppin Recreation Reserve to include 'for the protection of flora and fauna'.
3. That in collaboration with WWF-Australia, the shire of Trayning develops a conservation policy to guide the management and protection of all reserves of high conservation value which are vested in its authority.
4. That the WA Water Corporation and Shire of Trayning collaborate to eradicate weed outbreaks such as capeweed (*Arctotheca calendula*) and Mediterranean turnip (*Brassica tournefortii*) within the Reserves.
5. That the Shire of Trayning consider planning for control of Paterson's Curse at an operational level in the Kununoppin Recreation Reserve – While not detected in the reserve during the BioBlitz it is highly likely it is present and remains a threat to biodiversity.
6. That the Avon Catchment Council applies the BioBlitz methodology within its biodiversity project 'toolkit' as a means to galvanise broad-based community support for biodiversity conservation in the Avon River Basin.

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# APPENDIX I

Full species list recorded at 2004 Kununoppin BioBlitz, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> September 2004

Scientific Name	Common Name
<b>Mammals (7)</b>	
<i>Canidae</i> sp.	Domestic Dog
<i>Felis catus</i>	Feral Cat
<i>Macropus fuliginosus</i>	Western Grey Kangaroo
<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	European Rabbit
<i>Tachyglossus aculeatus</i>	Short-nosed Echidna
<i>Tadarida australis</i>	White-striped Mastiff Bat
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	European Fox
<b>Reptiles/Amphibians (11)</b>	
Lizards	
<i>Lerista muelleri</i>	Wood Mulch Slider/Mueller's Lerista
<i>Tiliqua occipitalis</i>	Western Bluetongue
<i>Tiliqua rugosa</i>	Bobtail
<i>Varanus gouldii</i>	Bungarra/Sand Goanna
Geckos	
<i>Diplodactylus pulcher</i>	Beautiful Gecko
<i>Gehrya variegata</i>	Variegated Tree Dtella
<i>Heteronotia binoei</i>	Gecko
Snakes	
<i>Pseudonaja affinis</i>	Dugite
<i>Pseudonaja nuchalis</i>	Gwardar
<i>Suta gouldii</i>	
Frogs	
<i>Littoria</i> sp	Tadpoles only
<b>Birds (52)</b>	
<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>	Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater#
<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	Yellow-rumped Thornbill#
<i>Acanthiza uropygialis</i>	Chestnut-rumped Thornbill#
<i>Accipiter cirrhocephalus</i>	Collared Sparrowhawk
<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i>	Australian Owlet-nightjar#
<i>Aquila audax</i>	Wedge-tailed Eagle
<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Australian Ringneck
<i>Cacatua pastinator</i>	Western Corella
<i>Cacatua roseicapilla</i>	Galah

<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>	Red-tailed Black-cockatoo
<i>Charadrius ruficapillus</i>	Red-capped Plover
<i>Cheramoeca leocosternus</i>	White-backed Swallow
<i>Cinclorhamphus cruralis</i>	Brown Songlark
<i>Circus assimilis</i>	Spotted Harrier
<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	Grey Shrike-thrush#
<i>Columba livia</i>	Feral Pigeon
<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Australian Raven
<i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>	Pied Butcherbird
<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	Grey Butcherbird#
<i>Cuculus pallidus</i>	Pallid Cuckoo
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White-faced Heron
<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	Black-shouldered Kite
<i>Gerygone fusca</i>	Western Gerygone#
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Australian Magpie-lark
<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie
<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	Black-winged stilt
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome swallow
<i>Hirundo nigricans</i>	Tree Martin
<i>Lalage sueurii</i>	White-winged Triller#
<i>Lichenostomus leucotis</i>	White-eared Honeyeater#
<i>Lichenostomus virescens</i>	Singing honeyeater
<i>Lichmera indistincta</i>	Brown Honeyeater#
<i>Malurus leucopterus</i>	White-winged Fairy-wren#
<i>Manorina flavigula</i>	Yellow-throated Miner
<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>	Brown-headed Honeyeater#
<i>Microeca fascinans</i>	Jacky Winter#
<i>Neophema elegans</i>	Elegant Parrot
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon
<i>Oreoica gutturalis</i>	Crested Bellbird#
<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	Rufous Whistler#
<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	Striated Pardalote#
<i>Petroica goodenovii</i>	Red-capped Robin#
<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	Common Bronzewing#
<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	Tawny Frogmouth#
<i>Pomatastomus superciliosus</i>	White-browed Babbler#
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail
<i>Rhipidura fuliginosa</i>	Grey Fantail#
<i>Smicromnis brevirostris</i>	Weebill#

<i>Tadorna tadornoides</i>	Australian Shelduck
<i>Todiramphus macleayii</i>	Red-backed Kingfisher
<i>Tyto alba</i>	Barn Owl
<b>Invertebrates (27)</b>	
Terrestrial Invertebrates	
<i>Aganippe castellum</i>	Tree-stem Trapdoor Spider
Arachnida	Spiders (x2)
<i>Badumna insignis</i>	Black House Spider
Blatodea	Bush Cockroach
Chilopoda	Tiger Centipede
Diptera	Blowfly
Formicidae	Bull-ants
Formicidae	Meat-ants
<i>Gaius villosus</i>	Trapdoor Spider
<i>Heteropoda venatoria</i>	Huntsman Spider
Hymenoptera	Large moths around lights
<i>Lycosa godeffroyi</i>	Common Wolf Spider
<i>Melobasis</i> sp	Jewel Beetle
Psyllidae	Waxy Lerps
Lepidoptera	Grey/blue Butterfly
Aquatic Invertebrates	
Annelida	Worm
Chironomididae	Midgie
Chironomididae	Mosquito Larvae and adults
Coleoptera	Beetle Larvae (x3)
Copepoda	Crustacean
Hemipteran	A True Bug
Hirudinea	Leech
Mollusca	Fresh Water Mollusc
Ostracoda	Seed Shrimp
<b>Flora (165)</b>	
<i>Acacia acuarria</i>	Wattle
<i>Acacia acuminata</i>	Jam Wattle/Raspberry Jam Tree (Mangard)
<i>Acacia aestivalis</i>	
<i>Acacia cladocalyx</i>	
<i>Acacia hemiteles</i>	Tan Wattle
<i>Acacia lasiocalyx</i>	Shaggy/Caterpillar Wattle/Wilyurwur
<i>Acacia merrallii</i>	Merrall's Wattle
<i>Acacia</i> sp2	
<i>Acacia</i> sp1 (minni richi)	

<i>Actinoble uliginosum</i>	
<i>Allocasuarina acutivalvis</i>	Black Tamma
<i>Allocasuarina campestris</i>	Tamma/Shrubby She-oak
<i>Amphipogon caricinus</i>	Long Greybeard Grass
<i>Amphipogon turbinatus</i>	
<i>Arctotheca calendula*</i>	Capeweed
<i>Astroloma serratifolium</i>	Cranberry (Kondrung)
<i>Atriplex bunburyana</i>	Silver Saltbush
<i>Atriplex</i> sp1	
<i>Austrodanthonia caespitosa</i>	Common Wallaby Grass
<i>Austrostipa elegantissima</i>	Elegant Feathergrass/Feather Speargrass
<i>Avena barbata*</i>	Bearded/Wild Oats
<i>Baekea</i> sp1	
<i>Boronia</i> sp1	
<i>Borya sphaerocephala</i>	Pin Cushions
<i>Bossiaea walkeri</i>	Cactus Pea
<i>Brachyscome iberidifolia</i>	Swan River Daisy
<i>Brassica tournefortii*</i>	Mediterranean Turnip
<i>Bromus rubens*</i>	Red Brome Grass
<i>Caladenia dimidia</i>	Chameleon Orchid
<i>Caladenia hirta ssp rosea</i>	Pink Candy Orchid
<i>Caladenia radialis</i>	Drooping Spider Orchid
<i>Caladenia roei</i>	Ant/Clown Orchid
<i>Caladenia varians ssp varians</i>	Spider Orchid
<i>Calothamnus gilesii</i>	Claw Flower
<i>Calotis hispidula</i>	Bindy Eye
<i>Calytrix</i> sp1	
<i>Chthonocephalus pseudevax</i>	Wooly groundheads
<i>Cephalopterum drummondii</i>	Pompom Head
<i>Cheilanthes sieberi</i>	Rock Fern
<i>Cleretum papulosum*</i>	
<i>Comesperma integerrimum</i>	Milkwort
<i>Conostylis</i> sp	
<i>Crassula colorata</i>	Dense Crassula
<i>Cryptandra nutans</i>	Nodding Cryptandra
<i>Cryptandra</i> sp	
<i>Cyanicula amplexans</i>	Blue Orchid
<i>Cyanicula deformis</i>	Blue Fairy Orchid/Blue Beard
<i>Dampiera lavandulacea</i>	Lavender Dampiera
<i>Daucus glochidiatus</i>	Native/Australian Carrot

<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	Blueberry Lily/Spreading Flax Lily
<i>Disphyma crassifolium</i>	Round-leaved Pigface
<i>Diuris porrifolia</i>	Rosy-cheeked Donkey Orchid
<i>Diuris</i> sp	
<i>Dodonaea inaequifolia</i>	Hop Bush
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	Sticky Hop Bush
<i>Drosera erythrorhiza</i>	Red Ink Sundew
<i>Drosera glanduligera</i>	Common Scarlet/Pimpernel Sundew
<i>Drosera macrantha</i> ssp <i>macrantha</i>	Bridal Rainbow/Climbing Sundew
<i>Enchylaena lanata</i>	Saltbush
<i>Eremophila alternifolia</i>	Narrow Leaf Fuschia
<i>Eremophila clarkei</i>	Turpentine Bush
<i>Eremophila maculata</i>	Spotted Emu Bush/ Native Fuchsia
<i>Eremophila oppositifolia</i>	Twin-leaf Eremophila
<i>Eremophila papillata</i>	
<i>Erodium cygnorum</i>	Blue Heron's Bill
<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i>	River Red Gum (Yalpiliny)
<i>Eucalyptus leptopoda</i>	Tammin Mallee
<i>Eucalyptus longicornis</i>	Red Morrell (Poot)
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> ssp <i>lissophloia</i>	Smooth-barked York Gum
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> ssp <i>loxophleba</i>	York Gum (Yandee/Doatta)
<i>Eucalyptus loxophleba</i> ssp <i>supralaevis</i>	York Gum
<i>Eucalyptus myriadena</i>	
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	Salmon Gum/Wurak
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	Gimlet
<i>Eucalyptus sheathiana</i>	Ribbon-barked Gum/Mallee
<i>Eucalyptus</i> sp1	
<i>Eucalyptus yilgarnensis</i>	Yorrel
<i>Euctochloia</i> sp	
<i>Exocarpos aphyllus</i>	Leafless Ballart (Mirnikuyan)
<i>Gilberta tenuifolia</i>	
<i>Glischrocaryon aureum</i>	Common Popflower/Western Gold Pennants
<i>Goodenia berardiana</i>	
<i>Grevillea acuaria</i>	
<i>Grevillea nana</i>	Dwarf Grevillea
<i>Grevillea paradoxa</i>	Bottlebrush Grevillea
<i>Grevillea yorkrakinensis</i>	
<i>Gunniopsis rubra</i>	
<i>Hakea coriacea</i>	Pink Spike Hakea

<i>Hakea francisiana</i>	Bottle Brush/Grass Leaf/Pink Spike Hakea
<i>Hakea invaginata</i>	
<i>Hakea recurva</i>	Standback/Bag Needle Bush/Djarnokmurd
<i>Hakea scoparia</i>	Broom Bush Hakea
<i>Halosarcia</i> sp (shorter branchlets)	
<i>Halosarcia</i> sp (longer branches)	
<i>Hibbertia hypericoides</i>	Yellow Buttercups
<i>Hyalosperma demissum</i>	Tiny Sunray
<i>Hyalosperma glutinosum</i>	Charming Sunray
<i>Hydrocotyle pilifera</i>	Pennywort
<i>Hydrocotyle rugulosa</i>	Pennywort
<i>Hypoclamydia</i> sp	
<i>Isotoma petraea</i>	Small Isotome
<i>Kunzea pulchella</i>	Granite Kunzea
<i>Lawrencella rosea</i>	Pink Everlasting
<i>Leptospermum erubescens</i>	Roadside/Wheatbelt/Pink Tea Tree
<i>Leptospermum erubescens (white)</i>	
<i>Lycium australe</i>	Water Bush
<i>Maireana carnosa</i>	Cottony Bluebush
<i>Maireana marginata</i>	Bluebush
<i>Melaleuca acuminata</i>	Creamy Honey Myrtle
<i>Melaleuca conothamnoides</i>	Wheatbelt Honey myrtle/Purple Pom-Pom Myrtle
<i>Melaleuca cordata</i>	Heart-leaf Honey Myrtle
<i>Melaleuca hamulosa</i>	Creekline/Broom Bush Honey Myrtle
<i>Melaleuca lateriflora</i>	Oblong-leaf Honey Myrtle (Gorada)
<i>Melaleuca radula</i>	Graceful Honey Myrtle
<i>Melaleuca uncinata</i>	Broombush/Broom Honey Myrtle
<i>Menkea australis</i>	Fairy Spectacles
<i>Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum*</i>	Slender Iceplant
<i>Monotaxis bracteata</i>	
<i>Myoporum</i> sp	
<i>Olearia muelleri</i>	Goldfields/Mueller's/Dusky Daisy Bush
<i>Ophioglossum plyphyllum</i>	Adder's Tongue
<i>Phebalium tuberosum</i>	
<i>Phyllangium sulcatum</i>	Mitrewort
<i>Pimelea avonensis</i>	
<i>Pimelea microcephala</i>	Mallee Riceflower (Gundagurrie)
<i>Pimelia</i> sp1	
<i>Plantago debilis</i>	Plantain
<i>Podolepis canescens</i>	Bright/Grey Podolepis

<i>Podolepis lessonii</i>	Yellow Buttons
<i>Podotheca gnaphalioides</i>	Golden Long-heads
<i>Prasophyllum regium</i>	King Leek Orchid
<i>Pterostylis nana</i>	Dwarf Greenhood/Snail Orchid
<i>Pterostylis roensis</i>	
<i>Pterostylis rufa</i>	Rusty Hood Orchid
<i>Ptilotus exaltatus</i>	Purple Mulla Mulla
<i>Ptilotus holosericeus</i>	Mulla Mulla
<i>Ptilotus spathulatus</i>	Mulla Mulla
<i>Rhagodia drummondii</i>	Low/Lake Fringing Rhagodia
<i>Rhagodia preissii</i>	Saltbush
<i>Rhodanthe laevis</i>	Smooth Sunray
<i>Rhodanthe manglesii</i>	Silver-backed Everlasting/Pink Sunray
<i>Rhodanthe pygmaea</i>	Pigmy Sunray
<i>Santalum acuminatum</i>	Quondong (Wolgol)
<i>Santalum spicatum</i>	Sandalwood (Poilyenum)
<i>Scaevola spinescens</i>	Currant/Maroon Bush/ Prickly Fanflower (Gubaru)
<i>Schoenia cassiniana</i>	Pink Cluster Everlasting
<i>Sclerolaena</i> sp1	
<i>Sclerolaena</i> sp2	
<i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i>	Grey Bindii/Copperburr
<i>Senna artemisioides</i> ssp <i>artemisioides</i>	Silver Cassia
<i>Senna artemisioides</i> ssp <i>filifolia</i>	Desert Cassia/Punty Bush
<i>Solanaceae</i> sp1	
<i>Stypandra glauca</i>	Blind Grass
<i>Stypandra imbricata</i>	Cluster-leaved Blind Grass
<i>Templetonia smithiana</i>	Kerosene Bush
<i>Templetonia sulcata</i>	Flat Templetonia/Centipede/Kerosene Bush
<i>Thelymitra antennifera</i>	Vanilla/Lemon Orchid
<i>Trachymene ornata</i>	Spongefruit
<i>Triglochin</i> sp1	
<i>Tripteris clandestina</i> *	Stinking Rodger
<i>Trymallium</i> sp	
<i>Velleia cycnopotamica</i>	
<i>Wahlenbergia gracilenta</i>	Annual Bluebell
<i>Waitzia acuminata</i>	Orange Immortelle/ Golden Everlasting
<i>Zygophyllum</i> sp	Twinleaf
<b>Fungi (9)</b>	
<i>Pycnoporum</i> sp.	Scarlet Bracket Fungi
<i>Flavoparmelia rutidota</i>	A Foliose Lichen

<i>Xanthoparmelia reptans</i>	A Foliose Lichen
<i>Teloschistes chrysophthalmos</i>	An Orange Foliose Lichen
<i>Buellia</i> sp.	A Sac fungi
<i>Carnoparmelia pruinata</i>	
<i>Diploschistes</i> sp.	
<i>Lecanora</i> sp.	
<i>Psona</i> sp.	
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