

# **Australian Wildlife Society**

**Conserving Australia's Wildlife  
since 1909**



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# The Society

- Formerly known as WPSA, founded in 1909.
- The Swedish Consul-General for Australia, Count Birger Mörner, organised a preliminary discussion on the formation of a new preservation body in the Consulate on 11 May 1909.
- The Hon. F E Winchcombe MLC was the first president of the Society (*image*).
- The Society pioneered the recognition of the need for legal protection for Australia's flora and fauna.



# The Society

- Australian Wildlife Society (AWS) is a national not-for-profit wildlife conservation organization.
- We are dedicated to the conservation of Australian wildlife through national environmental education, public awareness, advocacy, hands-on wildlife conservation work, and community involvement.



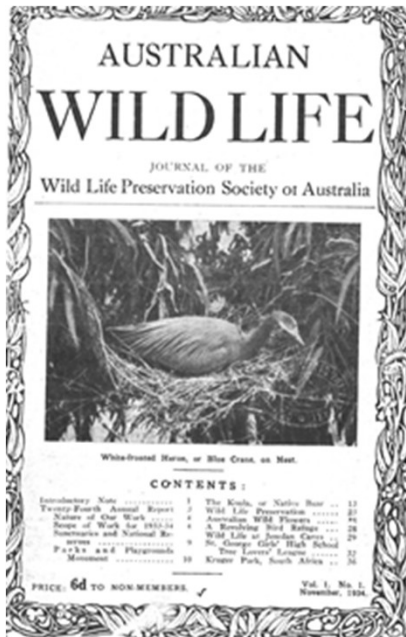
# The Society

- Is registered with the ACNC.
- Holds regular monthly meetings.
- Is managed by an elected board of ten directors (*image*).
- Is funded through membership fees, sponsorship, partnerships, and donations.

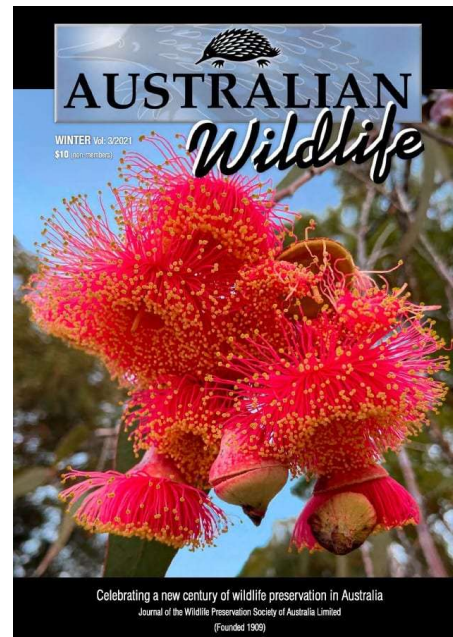


# Australian Wildlife Magazine

The Australian Wildlife magazine is the flagship of the Society.



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2021



# Monthly E-Newsletter



**AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

[Australian Wildlife Society E-Newsletters](#)

Download to read previously released E-Newsletters.

## AWS E-Newsletters

- 07/14/2021 - Manager's Messages - July 2021
- 06/10/2021 - Manager's Messages - June 2021
- 05/14/2021 - Manager's Messages - May 2021
- 04/15/2021 - Manager's Messages - April 2021
- 03/11/2021 - Manager's Messages - March 2021
- 02/17/2021 - Manager's Messages - February 2021
- 01/14/2021 - Manager's Messages - January 2021
- 12/16/2020 - Manager's Messages - December 2020
- 11/14/2020 - Manager's Messages - November 2020
- 10/15/2020 - Manager's Messages - October 2020





## School Visits

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# Annual Awards

- Serventy Conservation Award.
- Wildlife Rehabilitation Award.
- Community Wildlife Conservation Award.
- Youth Conservation Award.



# Grants/Scholarships

- University Research Grants.
- University Scholarships.
- Conservation Group Grants.



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## 2021 University Research Grant Winners

The Australian Wildlife Society's University Research Grants are scholarships offered to honours or postgraduate students at Australian universities. Each year, ten grants of \$1,500 are awarded. Grants are available for research projects of direct relevance to the conservation of Australian wildlife (flora or fauna). Grants may be used to purchase equipment and consumables, travel expenses related to field research, or attendance at conferences at which you are presenting your work.

The Australian Wildlife Society is delighted to announce the winners of the ten grants of \$1,500 each to honours or postgraduate students conducting research that will contribute to the conservation of Australian wildlife. **The winners for 2021 are:**

### GRACIE LIU

School of Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of New South Wales

#### Project Title:

How can we improve frog conservation in fragmented landscapes? Closing the gap with a novel genetic approach

### GRANT LINLEY

Institute for Land, Water and Society, Charles Sturt University

#### Project Title:

The influence of landscape-scale fire refuges and pyrodiversity on mammal communities following an unprecedented megafire

### KYLE BREWER

Clinical and Health Sciences, University of South Australia

#### Project Title:

pH-Responsive 1080 implants for the mitigation of the cat-astrophic predation of native animal populations

### BETHANY NORDSTROM

School of Biological Sciences, University of Western Australia

#### Project Title:

Assisted colonisation of the western swamp turtle

### BIANCA KEYS AND KARLI MYLIUS

Institute of Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania

#### Project Title:

Assessing microplastic exposure through non-invasive examination of guano in resident Tasmanian shorebirds

### ERICA DURANTE

Future Industries Institute, University of South Australia

#### Project Title:

Investigating the age and growth of an endemic octopus species

### GOD'SPOWER OKOH

Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences, James Cook University

#### Project Title:

Investigating herpesvirus infections in Australian wildlife

### PATRICK FINNERTY

School of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Sydney

#### Project Title:

Strategically exploiting plant odours to manipulate mammalian herbivore foraging behaviours as a conservation tool

### SHAE JONES

School of Earth, Atmospheric and Life Sciences, University of Wollongong

#### Project Title:

Do arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi help grasses in heat waves?

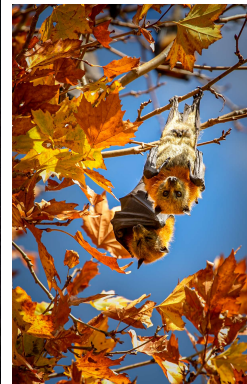
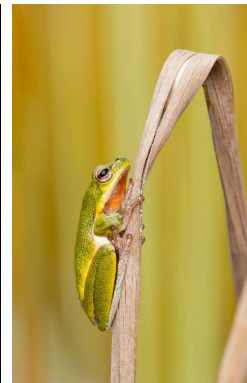
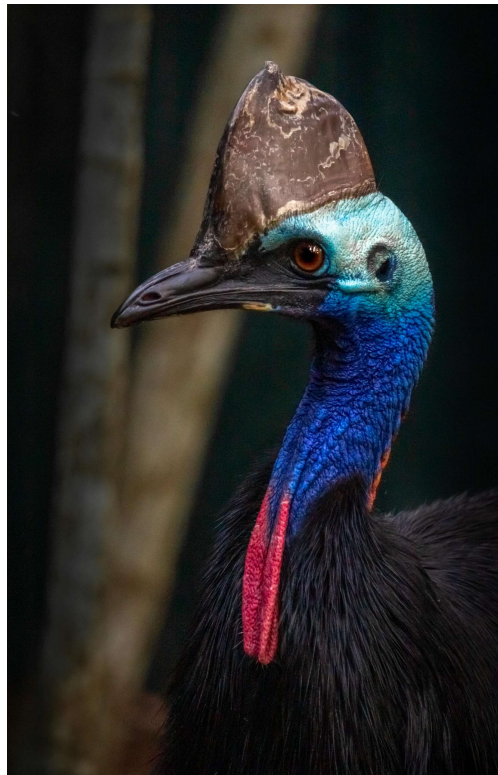
### JENNA DRAPER

School of Biological Sciences, University of Adelaide

#### Project Title:

Conservation utility of *Pimelea microcephala* subsp. *microcephala* to arid zone frugivores and pollinators

# Threatened Wildlife Photographic Competition



# Australian Wildlife Week

Held During the First Week of October Each Year

- The Society founded Australian Wildlife Week.
- To encourage a positive relationship between humanity and nature.
- In 2021, we are hosting an online webinar.



Speaker	Topic	Duration
President	Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, Housekeeping	10min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
Keynote Speaker	New South Wales	15min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
Keynote Speaker	Western Australia	15min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
Keynote Speaker	Queensland	15min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
Keynote Speaker	Victoria	15min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
Keynote Speaker	Tasmania	15min
Student Talk	University Research Grant Winner	5min
President	Conclusion	10min

# Social Media Channels

- The Society is active on five social media platforms.
- We welcome you to join us.



# Membership

You can help preserve Australia's precious wildlife by becoming a member of the Society.

Student membership is FREE!



## Magazine

Receive the quarterly issue of *Australian Wildlife* via email or post to keep up-to-date with the collective work promoted nationally.



## E-Newsletter

Receive the monthly e-newsletter. Keep up-to-date with news from our members and on the work of the Society.



## AWS Portal

Access the **Members' Resource Centre** - your destination for resources and materials on various wildlife-related topics.



## Social Media

Contribute to our **social media platforms**: Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube, and Website.



## Right to Vote

You have the **right to vote** on important matters at Society general meetings (financial members only).



## Other Benefits

**Awards, Scholarships, Grants**, and the opportunity to **network** with like-minded people.



# Recap

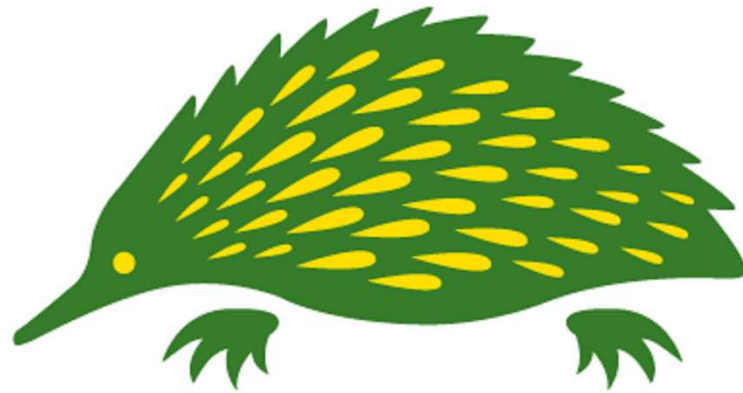
- Our mission is to conserve Australia's wildlife (flora and fauna).
- To conserve Australia's wildlife, we are dedicated and have many projects in place to help us achieve our mission.
- You can also help preserve Australia's precious wildlife by becoming a member of the Society.
- Don't forget to sign and share the #SnipRingsforWildlife petition with family and friends.



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