

THE GRANITE NEWS



The Granite News - serving the communities of Caveat, Highlands, Hughes Creek, Ruffy, Tarcombe, Terip Terip & Whiteheads Creek.



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Welcome, Wumindjika & G'day

Welcome back to another jam-packed Granite News with loads of information and social activities for the forthcoming weeks.

It appears that whilst the rest of the countryside hibernates in winter this is not true for the residents of the magnificent Tablelands. Human connectivity is most important at the best of times but, given the start to 2026, even more important for the small communities strung out along the ridgeline and down to Whiteheads Creek. Enjoy the socialising, it's good for your health, not to mention good fun.

As another successful NAIDOC Week comes to a close, I've included an article (Part 1) about the land managers of Indigenous Protected Areas.

If you know of someone who needs to be kept in the loop but isn't a TGN reader please tell them to sign up at pdphroberts@gmail.com The editor@tgn.org.au email is still dysfunctional.

Kia kara,
Pauline.



Dear Granite News readers,
Put this date into your calendars for a presentation by

Dr Greg Moore - Burnley Horticultural Dept (Melb. Uni)

Wednesday 22nd July at Euroa

promoting the National Heritage Tree Register Launch.

Further promotion to come - stay tuned.
The event organised by Goulburn Broken CMA & Landcare.



The "Pirate Ship Tree" on Janet & Justus Hagen's wetland block at Meipoll

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The Granite News is an open but moderated community forum. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles and we also encourage you to air your views on things that interest or concern you within our community. We certainly welcome feedback from you, positive or otherwise on anything that is published in The Granite News

"True friends stab you in the front."

Oscar Wilde (1854 - 1900)

Irish poet, playwright & novelist



Month	Highlands
June	165.3 mm
2026 Total	453.1 mm
Rainy Days	16 days

Rainfall for June @ Highlands was double the June average and the **6th wettest June on record!**

		What's On - July & August 2026
Details? See p.6	Thursday 16 th July @ 9am	PILATES CLASS to commence @ Highlands Hall/Hub
Details? See p.3	Wednesday 22 nd July 9.30-1.30	HERITAGE TREE TALK by Dr Greg Moore (Melb. Uni) @ Euroa Football Club rooms
Details? See p.8	Friday 24 th July from 2pm-6pm	Telstra - Update of current proposal to rebuild bigger & better @ Ruffy Hall
Details? See p.11	Saturday 25 th July @ 11.30-2	YEA GARDEN CLUB are hosting a hot soup & garden chat @ Highlands Hall/Hub
	Saturday 25 th July @ 6.30	HIGHLANDS BOOK GROUP @ Highlands Hall/Hub
	Sunday 26 th July @ 10am	HIGHLANDS RAMBLERS meeting @ Highlands Hall/Hub Everyone is welcome to come and explore our still stunning local area. Supported by HCCC. Enquiries? Andrew 0437 249039 or Robyn 0409 528235
	Thursday 30 th July @ 5.30	SECRET MENS' BUSINESS @ Michael K's 890 Caveat-Dropmore Rd All people in the district are welcome, pink note (\$5) donation towards BBQ. BYO & chat.
Details? See p.8	Saturday 1 st Aug @ ??	TERRIFIC TERIP TRIVIA NIGHT @ Terip Rec Reserve
	Monday 3 rd Aug. @ 1pm	CRAFTERNOON is back to stay! @ the MASH tent, Ruffy Hall
	Thursday 6 th Aug @ 6pm	TERIP COMMUNITY POT LUCK DINNER @ Terip Rec Reserve
Details? See p11	Every Saturday in July @ 6.30	EUCHRE CARD NIGHTS ARE BACK AGAIN!! @ Terip Rec Reserve
	Tuesdays @ 5.30pm	MAT PILATES with Anastasia @ Highlands Hall Bring your own mat/towel and water bottle. Cost \$15 Enquiries? Anastasia 0436 428065
	Sundays @ 11am	CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY GATHERING @ 44 Yorston Rd, Highlands This is a non-denominational meeting, Everyone is welcome to this calm, compassionate and open environment. Tea, coffee & lunch provided. Enquires? John - 0425 840999
	Every Second Wednesday 10-30-12.30	MURRINDINDI MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE @ Highlands Community Hall The Mobile Library visits the TGN area, based at the Highlands Hall every fortnight. Why not pop in? Forthcoming dates 22nd July and 5th & 19th August.



GOULBURN BROKEN
CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

PROTECTING SIGNIFICANT TREES of the grey box grassy woodlands

The Goulburn Broken CMA invites you to a 'Landscape Legacies' Grey Box Grassy Woodlands Project event.

Guest presenter Dr Greg Moore (University of Melbourne, School of Agriculture, Food & Ecosystems Sciences) will speak about the value of trees in our landscape and launch the Goulburn Broken National Heritage Trust Significant Tree Register project.

Find out how you can participate in the Landscape Legacies project to protect and restore Grey Box Grassy Woodlands in the Goulburn Broken catchment landscape.

Learn how to register significant indigenous trees onto the National Heritage Trust Significant Tree Register and help protect these natural icons.



PROGRAM:

- ✓ Wednesday 22 July, 2026
- ✓ 9.30am for 10am start - 1.30pm
- ✓ Euroa Football Clubrooms, Dunn St
- ✓ No cost. Light lunch provided

REGISTER:

janicem@gbcma.vic.gov.au
Ph: 0418 316 169

Please advise any dietary requirements
RSVP: Monday 20 July



Australian Government

This project is funded by the Australian Government Natural Heritage Trust and delivered by the Goulburn Broken CMA, a member of the Commonwealth Regional Delivery Partners panel.



GOULBURN BROKEN
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Just when everyone thought they had more than enough to deal with it appears that FERA's proposed wind farm and transmission grid is back on the local community agenda. It has also had a name change - from the Seymour Wind Farm to the Strathbogie Ranges Wind Farm.

No matter what the current name the proposed site is still outside any REZ (Renewable Energy Zone)

Letter to the Editor

FERA is back, and it could hardly come at a more challenging time.

Our communities have been devastated by the recent bushfires and are still grappling with the loss of homes, farms, livestock, and significant areas of our unique natural habitat. Now, on top of that, we are once again being asked to confront the prospect of the Seymour Wind Farm.

I note that Andrew Lawson has commenced regular social media updates. It raises the question of whether this is intended to replace direct engagement with the communities most affected by the proposal. According to communications from the Strathbogie Ranges Communications, the last public meeting was held in Alexandra in July 2024, despite earlier commitments to hold meetings every three months.

Mr Lawson was recently able to cite the number of Australians who support wind and solar energy. However, that statistic tells only part of the story. He might also consider the well over 100 community action groups that have formed across the country from Queensland to Tasmania in response to large-scale renewable energy developments. Organisations such as Australian Communities Against Industrial Renewables and the National Rational Energy Network provide a very different perspective. He might also reflect on his own community meetings, where many attendees expressed strong concerns about the project.

We must also remember that with the government's re-drawing the areas which were classified in a REZ, this area was not included!

As Mr Lawson notes, vegetation is beginning to regenerate and wildlife is slowly returning. That recovery is fragile. The last thing this landscape needs is a major industrial development involving extensive construction activity across a region that has only just begun the long process of healing. I also note the recent suggestion that the project could provide power to Euroa and surrounding communities. This appears to be a new element in the discussion and one that has not previously been prominent in communications about the project.

There is a risk that FERA believes local communities are too consumed by the aftermath of the bushfires to continue engaging with this issue. I believe that would be a mistake. While many residents remain traumatised by what has occurred, the importance of protecting this landscape has not diminished. If anything, the fires have reinforced just how precious and vulnerable this region is.

Our communities have shown extraordinary resilience. As recovery continues, it is important that we remain engaged, continue to ask difficult questions, and ensure that the long-term future of this unique landscape is not determined without the full and active involvement of those who call it home.

**Jenny Strong
Dropmore.**



Letter to the Editor

Originally published in the Strathbogie Ranges Newsletter - June 2026 and forwarded to TGN - Ed.

Dear Strathbogie Ranges Community and Stakeholders,

Over the past two years, significant work has been undertaken on the transmission and grid connection aspects of the project.

Over the last six months, we have begun regular social media updates, and with recent activity on the project, we have prepared a July newsletter to share with you. The update has also been uploaded to the project website.

<https://feraaustralia.com.au/strathbogie-ranges/>

You can follow ongoing updates via the project Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/StrathbogieRangesWindFarm/>

If you would like a more detailed discussion or update regarding the project, please reach out via the project email or contact me directly by phone to arrange a time to meet in person.

Kind regards,

**Andrew Lawson
Director, Fera Australia
0481 234 229**



**** HIGHLANDS ****

The Hub @ the Highlands Hall is open
Wednesday 10am to 2pm & Saturday 9am to noon
1603 Ghin Ghin Road, HIGHLANDS VIC 3660
Email: thehighlandshub2026@gmail.com



The Hub has a NEW phone number - 0491 941005 - new messages will come from this number

Please note NEW opening times for the Hub

NEW TIMES Wednesday 10-2 and Saturday 9-12 NEW TIMES

HUB HAPPENINGS

📅 Tues 14th July

Mat Pilates @Highlands Hall, 5:30pm \$15, BYO mat. Call Anastasia 0436 428 065

📅 Wed 15th July

Yea and District Memorial Hospital Women's Health Clinic 45min appointments. To book - 9675 0050
YDMH Mental Health Team in attendance from 10-2pm. Ivan Lister is at the Hub and doing home visits.

- Please also note a Leadership meeting is also being held at the hall from 9:00 -3:30pm so things will be running a little differently. We will still have tea and coffee in the site office sunshine and will have access to the normal meals and groceries.

GV Famiy Care & Primary Care Connect: Recovery (Grants, legal, financial help): 10am-2pm. Case manager access

HUBBINGS (Highlands Bunnings) will be open from 10-2pm with Craig available to assist. Assorted camping supplies are also available. **We are also clearing the hardware items from the tennis court so please come and take anything that you can use.**

📅 Thurs 16th July

★NEW Mat Pilates Class @ Highlands Hall 9:00am \$20 cash. BYO mat. Call Mel 0498 643 608

📅 Sat 18th July

The Hub is open from 9:00am with a Winter Warmers lunch of soup and soup bread available from 11:30-2:00pm. Provided by The Highlands Community Hall Committee. Come along and share a bowl of homemade soup and chat with other members of the community.

📅 Fri 24th July

Dinner at the Highlands Hall 5:30 - 8:00pm Hosted by Central Christian Church Seymour

📅 Fri July 31st

Christmas in July - Murrindindi and Mitchell Shire event. 5:30-8:00pm
Habbies Howe Shearing Shed, 110 Dropmore Rd Dropmore

HUB NEWS

Currently available:

Carpet Rolls - new and used Jackets Jumpers Beanies Scarves Handmade blankets
Pine Posts- second hand Warm socks Hor water bottles with covers Doonas & pillows

CLEARANCE: All clothing and bedding to be cleared by July 31st. So come in and grab some more.

***** Printed copies of TGN are now available from the box beside the notice board outside the hub *****

Contact: Andrea Bauer 0417 369 225

Letter to the Editor

A group of interested long term locals are currently working together on the revised version of Helen McCall's excellent historical document 'Highlands 1882-1982'. The revised version will include The Caveat in the title.

It's great getting together and listening to the wonderful memories of life in Highlands in earlier days. To give you just a taste of things to come....Andrew Shaw is researching the history of the timber mills and the old huts, Jeannie Webb is contacting relatives of the early migrant workers and Geoff Lade is collecting information about the Pinnager cairns, 4 more have been discovered since the recent fires.

If you have any information about the local school it would be great to hear from you. Our list of teachers has a few gaps.

Abbey Eager, from Mitchell Shire is supporting our efforts which we really appreciate.

The plan is to launch the revised version on the 9th January 2027.

If you would like to contribute in any way please contact

Miranda Yorston
miranda.yorston@gmail.com



When one Pilates class just isn't enough, or you can't make it on a Tuesday night...

Letter to the Editor

Hi Pauline,
Could you please publish that I will be running Pilates classes at 9am on Thursdays at the Highlands Hall starting the **Thursday 16th of July**
Bring own mat, water bottle and a sense of humour lol

Thank you 🙏
Kind regards,
Mel Cornell



And from Cheryl of the Ruffy Vege Growers - a GREAT article from SGA (Sustainable Gardening Australia) on the health benefits of gardening

<https://www.sgaonline.org.au/wellbeing-gardening-gardening-for-the-body-mind-spirit/>

Letter to the Editor

Hi Pauline
Just letting you know that Highlands' Drinks on the Deck will be taking a winter break and will return with Daylight Saving. **Second Friday = 9th October** .

In the meantime the Highlands and District Recovery Hub will be holding more winter warming gatherings.

Details soon to be revealed.

Cheers

Gayle Arnold





Community Dinner

Christmas in July

Friday 31 July, 5.30pm - 8pm

Habbies Howe, 110 Dropmore Road, Highlands

Join our Mitchell and Murrindindi communities for Christmas in July with a free roast dinner at Habbies Howe. Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater, enjoy live country music by Brock Edwards and don't miss Santa with presents for the kids!

Bring yourself, your family, friends and neighbours – everyone is welcome! Let's come together for a chance to pause, share a meal, and feel supported.

Contact us

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**** RUFFY & TERIP ****



TABLELANDS FIRE RECOVERY HUB - KEY DATES

JULY - AUGUST

Upcoming dates

Please note the Tablelands Hub is only open now on Tuesdays with services in attendance, morning tea Cuppa and Chat at 10.30am all welcome, Friday night dinners and other events updated regularly.



Telstra Update – Ruffy Mobiles

June was a busy month for Telstra, with the successful deployment of our temporary mobile base station at the Telstra site (corner of Nolans Road and Hobart Street, Ruffy). We were also able to reconnect the site to mains power, allowing all telecommunications equipment to be removed from the block next to the hall.

A big thank you to Frank and Tracey for hosting the equipment, and to the community for their patience and support throughout the process.

Looking ahead, we have a proposal to re-build a bigger mobile base station at the Telstra site. The additional infrastructure is intended to improve depth of coverage and increase network capacity for the community.

Daniel from Telstra and project representatives from Amplitel will be available at the **Ruffy Hall - Friday 24th July, from 2pm to 6 pm**, to discuss the proposal. The session will be a drop-in format, so community members are welcome to attend at any time during those hours.

Following the drop-in session, information about the proposal will be published on the RFNSA website, allowing anyone unable to attend to view the details of the proposal and provide feedback.



Free medical appointments in Ruffy

If you or a family member needs medical advice from a GP or nurse practitioner, come along to Ruffy Hall when Central General Practice Mansfield visit in the **Murrindindi Health Bus on Tuesday 21 July from 10am-2pm**. The medical team will offer bulk-billed appointments for local residents on general practice health concerns, skin checks, women's and men's health checks, children and babies examinations, scripts and specialist referrals.

Book online CGP Mansfield – [Book Doctors Appointment Online Now](#). Call the clinic on (03) 5775 2591 or just come along and wait your turn. Walk-in clients are accepted. All are welcome. This activity is supported by funding from Murray Primary Health Network through the Australian Government's PHN program.



Free medical appointments in Ruffy

When: Tuesday 21 July

Time: 10am-2pm

Where: Ruffy Hall

Bookings: Call Central Practice Mansfield on (03) 5775 2591

Walk-in clients accepted.

Strathbogie
SHIRE COUNCIL

This activity is supported by funding from Murray Primary Health Network through the Australian Government's PHN program.

Fun Facts about Wombats by Emily Friedel (Murrindindi Guide)

Wombats can move rapidly when they want which is at odds with their stocky build and somewhat bumbling appearance. Their ability to cover short distances in a flash enables rapid retreat to the safety of their burrow if threatened when out foraging.

However, if you have heard that they can clock speeds up to 40kms an hour (and potentially outrun Usain Bolt in a 100m race) this isn't the cold hard fact that Google would have you believe. The wombat's top running speed has not been formally tested or published in scientific literature.

An investigation by the ABC suggests the claim may have originated from a miscommunication about how fast researchers had driven vehicles in pursuit of wombats, which may not have been the wombat's speed. Several scientists interviewed by the ABC estimated that wombats can get up to 20kms per hour, although one professor maintained that the 40 kms an hour matches his observations over short distances.

Regardless of the exact figure is, it is pretty impressive. But maybe what is more impressive, with their short stature and little legs, is the ability to make rapid direction changes and even do a decent job of jumping.



Letter to the Editor

Hi Everyone,

We ask for a minute of your time to complete our survey on the proposed building extension and facilities upgrade at the Terip Recreation Reserve. The results will help refine the concept design (copy attached), confirm priorities, and support funding applications.

The aim of the project is to achieve the following outcomes:

- Kitchen: improve the functionality by increasing the size, revising the layout, providing better appliances and extra storage. New servery window onto the verandah and upgrade to "Commercial Kitchen – Class 2".
 - Main Room: increase the size and space available by removing the existing kitchen
 - Storage: more space and improved security for each user group
 - Toilets & Shower: improve the amenity and increase the number of toilets, create new disabled facilities to meet current accessibility standards and provide a shower.
 - Laundry Facilities: provision for washer & dryer installation
 - Tennis Court Lights: new lights to encourage more participation in tennis and other recreational activities/games and create opportunities to participate in alternative district competition formats.
- To complete the survey, please click on the link below.

<https://form.jotform.com/261702613996059>

If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Rec Reserve Building Sub-Committee:

Christine McKenzie 0407 516 037

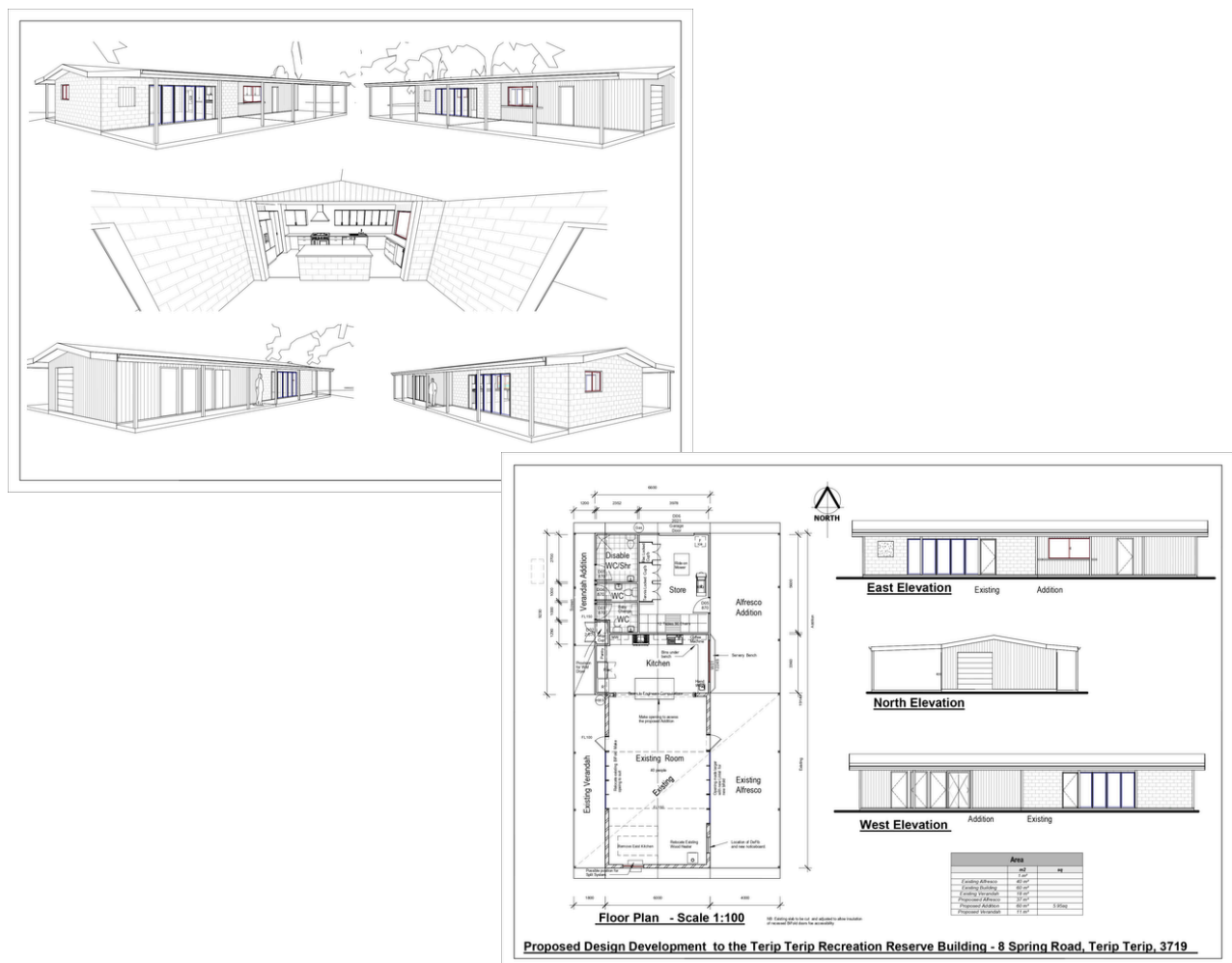
Jenny Martin 0448 833 875

Jonathan Tofts 0448 128 298

Jan Penny 0448 324 431

Bella Ghiggioli 0478 138 661

Thanks in anticipation





Denis watched his ancestral lands be ravaged as a kid. It sparked a major change.

Indigenous Protected Areas are a homegrown but relatively unheard-of conservation model, making waves in Australia and around the world.

Denis Rose grew up fishing for kooyang (eel) in the dams, weirs and rivers of Budj Bim, home to one of the world's oldest aquaculture systems. It was the 1970s when Gunditjmara Traditional Owners, like Rose, were only allowed to manage a small parcel of the World Heritage-listed site in south-west Victoria – a cemetery spanning two hectares. As a boy, he recalls admiring the intricate fish traps of generations past, but he had no say in how his ancestral home was cared for. Slowly, land was returned under native title and other agreements. "But much of the Country had already been flogged to death," Rose says. He decided to do something about it.

At 27, Rose became one of the first Indigenous Rangers hired by National Parks in Australia. In the mid-1990s, he began advocating for a new conservation model that would flip the script: a completely novel concept known as the Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) program. The program created a blueprint to conserve land and ocean, drawing on traditional knowledge systems and approaches to caring for Country, led by Traditional Owners.

"We had a few battles," Rose says. "We had skeptical landowners who were worried about a land grab. We had government agencies who reckoned that no one else could manage land."

Almost three decades later, a jigsaw of more than 90 IPAs covers 115 million hectares of Australian land and sea – an area the size of Colombia. From tropical rainforests and arid deserts to coral reefs and salt marshes, these protected areas span the country's most iconic ecosystems.

IPAs are a refuge for hundreds of threatened species, including turtles, koalas and birds, in every jurisdiction from the Top End down to Tasmania. Many are run by Indigenous Rangers who practice two-way conservation, where cultural wisdom meets modern science.

The program's reach now extends far beyond Australia. First Nations communities around the world, including those in Canada and parts of Central America, have looked to Australia's IPA model as inspiration for how conservation and Indigenous self-determination can work together.

Yet few non-Indigenous Australians know they exist.

What are Indigenous Protected Areas?

Before the first IPAs were established in the late 1990s, the management of protected areas was mostly restricted to government-run national parks and marine reserves. But many of these models did not work for Traditional Owners, who had sustainably managed these ecosystems for tens of thousands of years.

"These were very fraught relationships, because it was like a forced partnership, where the government says, 'you can come and join us, but remember, it's our table'," says Dermot Smyth, a non-Indigenous environmental consultant who helped establish the IPA network.



Tae Rak is an expansive freshwater wetland within the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Budj Bim Cultural Landscape. Source: Supplied / Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation

NB: Budj Bim is located north of Portland, Vic. Ed.

First Nations peoples around the world have a rich history of protecting the world's biodiversity. A recent study published in the journal *People and Nature* found that Indigenous-managed lands match or outperform government-protected areas in maintaining forest cover, biodiversity and carbon storage. Earlier research published in the journal *Nature Ecology & Evolution*, which focused on areas of the Brazilian Amazon, shows that deforestation was reduced by up to 83 per cent in indigenous territories, compared to other land uses.

Yet almost universally, indigenous communities have been denied rights to protect their ancestral lands, largely a byproduct of colonisation and dispossession.

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Indigenous Protected Areas - continued from previous page

In Australia, Traditional Owners have long fought for such rights — with some success. In establishing the IPA network, a committee of Indigenous Australians and environmentalists drew on a definition of conservation from the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), whose guidance on protected areas is followed by governments around the world. This meant that, under the IPA model, Traditional Owners could voluntarily dedicate their land, unlocking government support to protect nature in keeping with traditional knowledge and culture.

In 1998, the first IPA was created in Nantawarrina, South Australia, in a partnership between Adnyamathanha Traditional Owners and the government. Wedged between the Northern Flinders and Gammon Ranges National Parks, Nantawarrina was a former pastoral station. Its open woodlands and yellow-footed rock wallaby population have been protected by Traditional Owners for nearly three decades now as part of its IPA, which became the pilot for a new, Indigenous-led approach to conservation. "It came at the right time, the right place, the right shape," Smyth says. It has amazed me and delighted me. It survived multiple changes to government and has had the endorsement of all sides of politics.

Biodiversity benefits

Over the past three decades, another 95 IPAs have been adopted, bringing First Nations expertise to the forefront of conservation efforts at a critical juncture. Against the backdrop of climate change, Australia's unique ecosystems are increasingly susceptible to habitat loss, invasive weeds, illegal fishing, pollution and bushfires. Because of the continent's geographic isolation and diverse climatic zones, much of its native wildlife is found nowhere else on earth — making it vulnerable to external threats.

According to 2023 research published in the journal *Science*, at least 100 Australian endemic species have been driven to extinction since colonisation. More than 1,700 species and ecological communities are known to be threatened and at risk of extinction. **Source: Pulitzer Centre**

A 2018 study found that 60 per cent of Australia's threatened species (then 1,574) occur on Indigenous lands, a factor that can guide the creation of IPAs. These species often hold cultural significance for Indigenous communities, who feel a duty to protect them. For instance, in Northern Australia, more than 30 Indigenous-led projects protect marine turtles, which are totems for many communities.

The majority of IPAs are led by a team of Indigenous Rangers, who are the first line of defence against environmental threats.

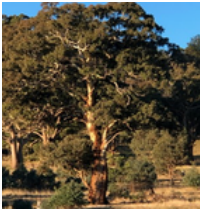
Patrick O'Leary, the director of NGO Country Needs People, which supports Indigenous land and sea management, says Traditional Owners have always cared for the environment — long before European settlement. Today, rangers are still the "boots on the ground," he says. "It's not enough to just protect something through a legal instrument, because you've still got these processes operating unless you're out there physically tackling them every day. And IPAs create a means to do that for people."



Dhimurru rangers like Alfonso Maymuru and Syd Yunupingu (pictured) are caring for Sea Country at IPAs in the Northern Territory. Source: Supplied / Dhimurru

Between the red cliffs and gnarled mangroves of Arnhem Land, Dhimurru Rangers intercept illegal fishers from Indonesia, who are targeting lucrative sea cucumbers. Along the remote Kimberley coast in Western Australia, Karajarri Rangers attach satellite tags to the critically endangered sawfish. While in the tropical waterways of Queensland, Giringun Rangers use drones to survey 'blue carbon' stored in seagrass meadows.

To be continued in next week's TGN

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We thank the Taungurung ancestors and elders who, for millennia, have cared for this country on which we now live, work & play. May the current generations of Taungurung, HCCC residents & landowners continue this important custodianship into the future.