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Welcome to PAWAPress #4, the September edition.

World Ranger Day 2008 has come and gone, I hope everyone celebrated in grand style. PAWA certainly did with an evening to rememeber. Fantastic presenters with interesting and memorable stories and a raffle to support the Equip the Amazon Project. Congratulations to all the prize winners.

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Read on and find out about how to order your new PAWA t'shirt, now available for members and non-members (see below pickie).

PAWA t'shirts

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Secretary, Tegan Burton is off to South America and will represent PAWA visiting the Amazon Conservation Team Brazil (ACT Brazil) and the Associação dos Povos Indígenas Tiriyo, Kaxuyana e Txikiyana (APITIKATXI). We wish her the best and can't wait to hear about her experiences and see some great images.

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Theres plenty to read in this edition, so open up and enjoy.

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PAWA Chairs Report – 2007-08

This first full year of operation for PAWA has been one full of growth and expansion, a very exciting one. We have really started to get ourselves organised into what I think will be a very productive and effective organisation. We still have a lot of challenges ahead, but if the last year is anything to go by, nothing that we can't collectively overcome.

Some of our achievements of the last 12 months have been:

- Applied for formal membership of the IRF
- Become a member of the Council of Australian Ranger Associations, the former ARF
- Growing from less than 20 members to nearly 60 since the last AGM
- Finalised our logo
- The launching of our website – www.pawansw.org
- Fund raising efforts including the Jungle Chocolates, Ebay auction and a couple of raffles: full details of which are included in the committee reports and AGM minutes
- The Great Canoe Challenge
- The World Ranger Day presentation night
- The production of PAWA's first merchandising effort, the T-shirts, and
- Four editions of PAWAPress

On re-reading last year's Chairs report, the annual goals, as put forward in that report, do all seem to have been met to some degree.

While we certainly have finalised our logo and setup our presence on the internet, I don't feel that we have made that much headway in getting PAWA better known and recognised in the protected area industry and the wider community. We have made some progress; I found a reference to PAWA in a Wingecarribee Council newsletter, but we still have a long way to go. This is reflected by the fact that all current members are from within DECC. While this is to be

somewhat expected, I think an accurate indicator that PAWA is becoming better known is when we are attracting membership from outside the Department, from ACT, local government, the private sector and students.

There was some further discussion at the AGM for a flyer to be produced and distributed to all organisations that employ protected area workers and thus potential members. We have just recently produced a couple of shirts and also spoke of producing further merchandise, all with the aim of getting the PAWA name and identity better known.

So for the coming year I'd like to see not only that we have raised PAWA's profile within the industry and wider community, but that we have also broadened our membership base. I would also like to see more contributions to the association by members, PAWA was setup to be a member driven organisation so it needs its members to become active in the decision making process only then will PAWA truly reflect the wishes and aspirations of its members.

Finally I'd like to thank the committee for their efforts over the last year especially those that are leaving the committee following the AGM and I hope you'll keep active in PAWA and consider re-election next time; it's been a pleasure working with you.

David Burns



Two Committee profiles

Wendy Noble - Committee member *(below left)*

Hello fellow PAWA members, I am honoured to be a part of the PAWA committee and to be the project co-ordinator for the Jamaican project. I have been barracking heavily for the Jamaicans in the Olympics it is such a great effort for a small country. Anyway this is supposed to be about me. I have been a ranger with National Parks for 11 years now, with about 2 years off to help populate the world with 2 boys, and for a few years before that a technical officer on the south east forest project looking for potoroos. After university I took a year off to travel and then became a high school science teacher for around two years and discovered what STRESS was.

I am still enjoying being a ranger and love to travel, so to be able to combine these to help communities who are less fortunate than us in Australia is really fulfilling for me. I hope I can contribute in a positive way to PAWA and look forward to meeting you all.



Mel Hall - Committee member *(top right)*

The life and times of Mel Hall pest person, pest manager and PAWA committee member

When I was young I wanted to be a Park Ranger and fly helicopters, and drive boats, rescue people and talk to animals just like in Skippy or Yogi Bear.

In reality I was dragged about most National Parks and historic sites in the Hunter Valley on Sunday drives and annual holidays with the folks. I grew up in suburban Newcastle not far from Glen Rock Lagoon and spent most daylight hours playing with Barno, Nip, Peter, Louise and Patches the dog in the neighbourhood bushland. I have to confess we weren't always on our best behaviour, we built forts and cubbies, stirred up snakes and jumping ants, kept tadpoles in fish tanks and cicadas as pets on strings,

and pegged moth vine pods at Mr Jones' roof, but all the while developing a keen interest in the natural world.

When they wanted to dam the Franklin my mother put a Wilderness Society sticker on our previously pristine fridge and I started to become politically aware. I was turning into a tree hugging hippy thing. I moved to Sydney and got a degree in beer drinking from Manning Bar and one in Archaeology as well. I worked a few crap jobs, then drifted into public radio where I experienced genuine job satisfaction and that warm fuzzy feeling of contributing to a "better world" for the first time. Although most of the time I just had fun doing the things you do when you're young and stupid and had a good time but never gave any real consideration to (in my mothers words) "getting a proper job".

When in need of a change from late nights, fluorescent lights, an office with a great view but you had to stand on a chair to see out the windows and deadlines, deadlines, deadlines a mate in a band suggested Bush Regen. So it was back to TAFE, I took learning seriously this time and topped the class, worked with local government for a bit then finally cracked the dream (occasionally nightmare) job with NPWS. I started as an SFO at Garigal, then landed the Pest Officers job for Sydney North region. I'm loving it (mostly). I still love the big city life but get to enjoy the bush and get a warm fuzzy feeling from saving the planet from the evils of weed invasion and pest animals and get paid for it.

Skippy may have been a little overdramatised, kangaroos can't speak but as I flick through Yogi Bears own annual 1965 (the year I was born) the reality is startling. Ranger Smith had to deal with picnic ground management, native animals behaving badly, criminal activity, high public expectations, illegal hunting, bush fires, licences, permits and paperwork. Interestingly pest control never made it into the storylines, just not sexy enough, but its good enough for me.

When asked by Michele and Tegan to join PAWA and later to become a committee member I asked as most do: What's in it for me? But it was a rhetorical question I knew the answer it's the old TV cliches, joining forces to fight evil, save the world, and get that warm fuzzy feeling.

Giidyan Miiral

Following the 2008 AGM at Arrawarra, a group of PAWAites were treated to a tour of the nearby Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve, or Giidyan Miirral as it's called by the local Aboriginal people, with local Ranger Ann Walton.

The welcome to the island was a chain-mesh temporary fence, launching us immediately into discussion about some of the threats and management issues on the island. Before we even made it off the sidewalk we witnessed law enforcement in action as a couple of local cyclists brought their dog across to see what was going on.

Never too far from 'work', we considered panels of recycled plastic that had replaced the traditional steel mesh walkway, contemplated pedestrian interference with hair-tubes, and mused about the impacts of weeds on the low growing vegetation of the island.

To top it all off, Ann's clearly well trained wildlife put on a great show. During our short visit of this small island we saw Humpback Whales, a pod of Dolphins, a Green Turtle, a couple of Blue-Tongue Lizards . . . and then there was the multitude of shorebirds – Brahminy and Black-shouldered Kites, Silver Gulls, White-faced Herons, Gannets, a Richard's Pipit and a small tern.

Our sojourn ended comfortably with fresh fish & chips in the lunchroom of the National Parks Coffs Harbour office. THANK YOU ANN!

Tegan Burton



Get your PAWA T'shirts now

Released in time for World Ranger Day, PAWA NSW have their very own T'shirts. Please support PAWA and purchase a shirt today.

Available in small, medium, large, x-large and xx-large.

Short sleeve - members \$25 non-members \$30

Long sleeve - members \$30 non-members \$35

To purchase, please email pawa_nsw@hotmail.com and include in your email the style, size, postal address and preferred payment method.

Payment methods include cheque/money order and direct deposit.



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PAWA HELPING CONSERVATION IN JAMAICA

by Wendy Noble

In April this year I visited Jamaica on a family holiday with the intention of meeting people working in the conservation field and to see if through PAWA we could assist them in some way. I met some very inspirational people, dedicated and determined to make a difference and to my surprise most of these were women.

The majority of Jamaicans are very poor and their land is visibly suffering from many years of abuse and neglect. The government is broke and has major foreign debt, so Non Government Organisations (NGO's) are leading the way. Despite this the country has so much potential especially in ecotourism and the people are so vibrant and alive.

Whilst in the Blue and John Crow Mountains National Park (BJCMNP) the only land based National Park on the island (dedicated in 1993 of 5 rangers for the 78, 000 Ha his time was spent patrolling the main issues for him was trying to extend their plantations). They also have Australia that is developing being cool, up to 2, 264m an issue. Irresponsible pig hunters can threaten park and water and fire the lowlands below. He also said I would see what I could do



*The Rio Grande river at sunset
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<http://www.nature.org>*

We also met with the Executive and Development Trust (JCDT) responsible for the management of government agencies. The main funding, much of the promised reserve from the government has not been forthcoming and there is no extensive system of user fees or permit system to raise the revenue needed. Also due to the combination of hurricanes and land degradation the roads leading to the park are constantly under repair.

On the north east side of the island, I spent a really interesting day with a young woman Kimberly John who was working for the Nature Conservancy on a project to educate communities along the Rio Grande river about the effects of river pollution. The Rio Grande is Jamaica's largest un-dammed river and a major inland fishery, its headwaters are protected by the BJCMNP (it was made famous by the Australian Errol Flynn)! Illegal harvesting of fish and shrimp by poisoning with pesticides, herbicides, sometimes even bleach and explosives is a major problem to water quality, the aquatic ecology, and the lives of the locals who depend on the river. When the fish are sold to restaurants the poison is not detected! The project has so far trained 25 wardens from local communities who can act as ex-officio fisheries officers working with the Jamaican constabulary and Government fisheries officers. They will also help to educate their communities and ultimately create a sustainable enforcement network in the watershed.

Currently the fisheries officer on the coast can only get half-way up the river on his patrols, as local taxis

only go that far. The Nature Conservancy is hoping fund a patrol vehicle for him. Kimberly's work on the Rio Grande earned the Nature Conservancy an award for Sustainable Watershed Management. I would like to help with a request from Kimberly to supply uniforms for these keen new wardens.

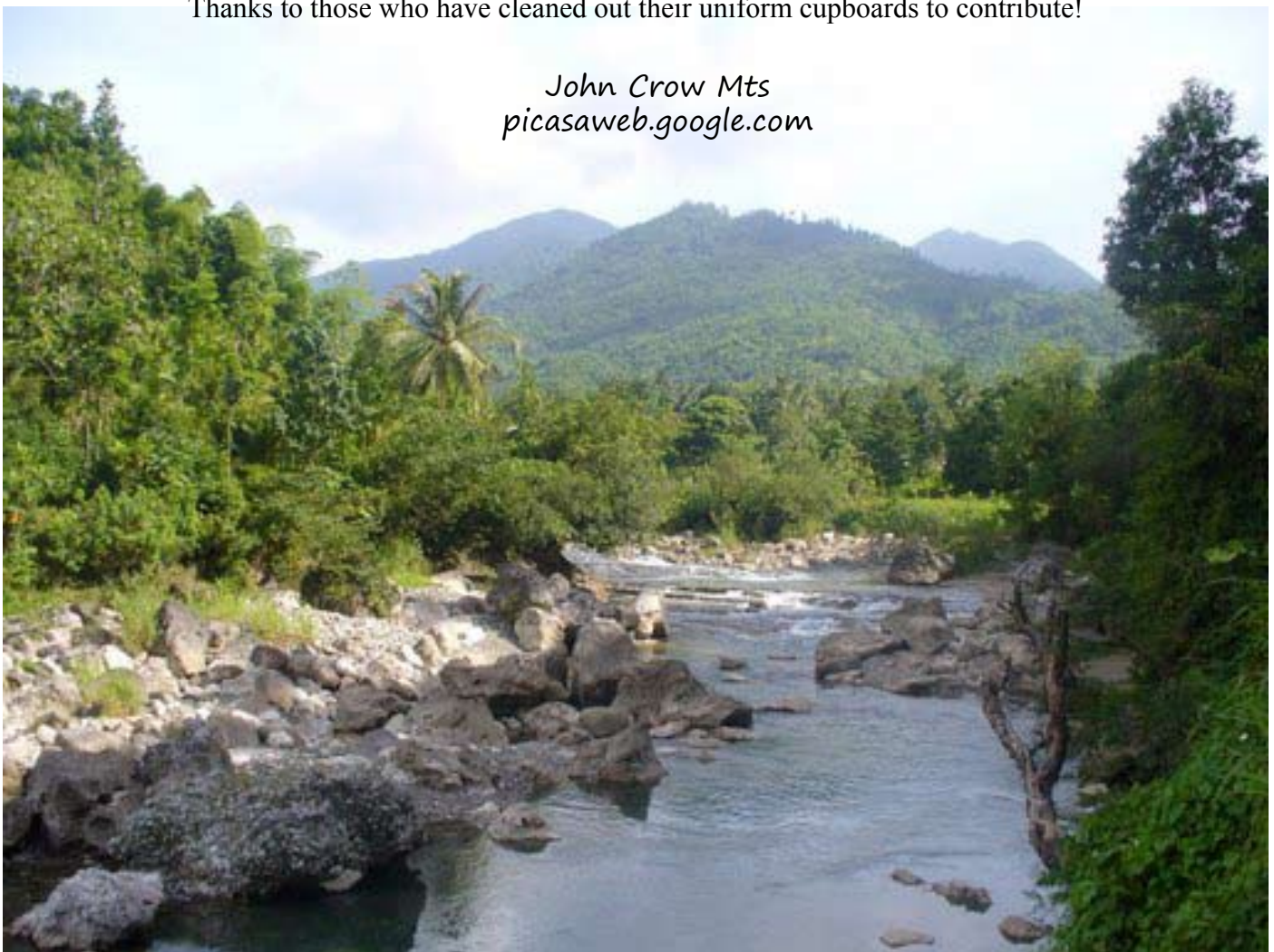
Further up the Rio Grande the Bowden Pen Farmers Association a volunteer group, founded by a local woman, have built small cottages, kitchen and indoor eating area for tourists on the edge of BJCMNP overlooking the Rio Grande. We were so inspired and touched by these people who were giving up their time to build a cleaner and brighter future for their communities. They were very proud of their efforts and keen to show them off to us. We walked an historic Maroon trail into the mountains with our guide, the local pastor, and learnt about the history and forest medicines, their knowledge comes from the Arawaks (original inhabitants), passed on in the 18 th century.

The Maroons were the first black Jamaicans to arrive with the Spanish and were very strong and fierce guerrilla fighters. The English could not capture them so in the end after trying to burn and bomb them out of the hills they made a treaty with them and granted them land in what is known as the Cockpit Country. We were very privileged to be taken on a tour to see some to this land and the proposed ecotourism ventures of a small town called Flagstaff, on the north-western side of the island. Judith Blake another strong passionate women was managing a project on behalf of the Nature Conservancy to empower locals so that ultimately they can protect their lands from the hungry bauxite mining companies.

I have just about collected 25 uniforms from the southern and far south coast regions of Parks and Wildlife Group and with the help of Tegan. So I hope to send these to the Nature Conservancy to assist the river wardens before September.

Thanks to those who have cleaned out their uniform cupboards to contribute!

*John Crow Mts
picasaweb.google.com*



PAWA is working in partnership with the Amazon Conservation Team Brazil (ACT Brazil) and the Associação dos Povos Indígenas Tiriyo, Kaxuyana e Txikiyana (APITIKATXI) to help build capacity within the indigenous communities of Tumucumaque Indigenous Park and West Parú Indigenous Land, north-eastern Brazil, helping them to protect these high conservation value lands from external threats and manage them sustainably into the future.

Equip the Amazon continues to forge ahead in several directions, including fundraising, donations of equipment and of course preparations for the first visit by PAWA to the project area in September 2008.

Fundraising

A quick word on Yachana Jungle Chocolate. So far we have a net profit of \$430.

Thank you to everyone who has taken up the challenge of sales – Sheen Mohekey, Mel Hall, Steve Woodhall, Bobbin head Information & Retail Centre, Kalkari Visitor Centre, Tim Lanyon, Helen Jessup, Duncan Scott-Lawson, Cathy Mardell, Glenn Meade, Tegan Burton, Neil Stone, Lane Cove Tourist Park, Natasha Funke, Deb Parkin, Wendy Gleen, Dave Burns, Therese Cobcroft, Justine Maunsell and Wendy Noble.

There are still just a couple of cases awaiting welcoming hands. If you're interested in selling some yourself, contact Tegan. There are also still a few cases out there already so if you see a member selling, make sure you pick up a box or two. You will know that you are not only eating chocolate as pure as it comes, short of straight off the tree, but that you will also be making an invaluable contribution to Equip the Amazon.

Now, on to the big event in Amazon fundraising since the last newsletter - our RAFFLE. With tickets going for \$2 ea or 3 for \$5, sales raised a net profit of \$680. A big thank you must go to those who donated the fabulous prizes and once again, a thank you to all our sellers – Duncan Scott-Lawson, Glenn Storrie, Mel Hall, Wendy Noble, Tegan Burton, Kalkari Visitor Centre, Mandy Smith, Mick Day, Michele Cooper, Dave

Burns and Travis Roberts. Sydney North Region, National Parks & Wildlife Service, definitely earned a commendable mention after purchasing almost 50% of all ticket sales.



Image: B.Viana

Donated equipment

As always, PAWA is looking for donations of equipment – new and used are valued equally – to support those working in protected areas with little to no resources behind them. We are also accepting donations of funds that will then be used to purchase specific items

locally.

If you've got something you're not using any more, chances are it would be greatly appreciated in the Amazon. But if you're not sure, just contact Tegan Burton or any other PAWA committee member to check.

Equipment continues to be donated by members and the general public, with laptops, GPS's and a number of digital cameras coming in, and firefighting overalls have joined the uniform stores. While the uniforms and safety equipment are generally too bulky and weighty to join our trip in September, a substantial proportion of the electrical equipment donated to-date will certainly be making its way across the Pacific.

Seeing the realities on the front line

In September 2008 PAWA's Amazon Project Coordinator Tegan Burton will be spending 3 weeks in Macapa, Brazil. During this time she will be meeting up with our colleagues in ACT Brazil and APITIKATXI, delivering some of the equipment which has been donated to date, participating in local Park Ranger training and transboundary meetings, visiting a number of reserves and generally getting some first-hand experience of these remote environments. Expect some fantastic photos of the realities of protected area management heading your way soon.

More information about Equip the Amazon is available at www.pawansw.org/projectamazon.html

Tegan Burton

Good luck to Tegan on her travels to South America. PAWA members would like to congratulate her on all the hard work she has put into the Equip the Amazon project. We can't wait to hear about all the adventures and what she learns and shares with the people in Brazil.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PRIZE WINNERS:

1st – Ben Hope

Framed prints



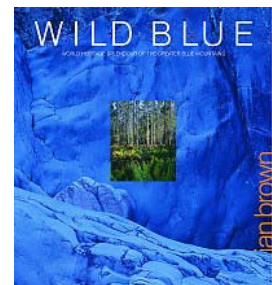
2nd – Lou Collins

Signed match jersey



3rd – Barry Trotter

Book



4th – Cullynn

Mohekey &

Ann Walton

Jenolan Caves Pass



5th – Olive Noble

TGL DVD



**WANT TO WIN A
JENOLAN CAVES PLUGHOLE
ADVENTURE TOUR PASS
WORTH
\$60 ?**

Simply sign up as many members to PAWA as you can... the person who has referred the most new members by 31st October 2008 WINS the pass.

Ask your new members to make a note “referred by” (your name) on the top right hand corner of the membership form.



Plughole Tour

The Plughole is Jenolan’s comprehensive introduction to Adventure Caving. On this tour, you abseil 10 metres into the Elder Cave. The first ‘dark’ cave to be entered at Jenolan in 1848, the Elder includes several large chambers, some fine crystal and many historical signatures perfectly preserved from the 1800’s.

You slowly make your way down approx 100 metres, exploring through roomy caverns and snaking through narrow tunnels, eventually coming out in the Imperial Cave far below.

Even though you don’t need to be especially fit (though some flexibility helps), Adventure Caving is quite different from viewing one of our ‘show’ caves. You abseil, wear overalls, a hard hat and find your way by the light of a miners’ lamp. You crawl in the dust, climb and slide over rocks, squeeze through narrow tunnels, holes and crevices deep underground.

It is fun, fascinating and challenging from start to finish. Although it sounds dangerous, Jenolan’s friendly Adventure tour guides are all highly experienced, encouraging teamwork, Your guide will help you all the way, while delivering a fascinating commentary - enabling you to experience the cave in different ways.

We supply all equipment, lights and protective clothing. You should wear clothes that can get dirty and sneakers/ joggers or bushwalking boots.

The trip takes approximately 2 hours to complete with a limited group size of 12 and a minimum age of 10.

NB: Pass for 2 adults, expires 31 January 2009

Parks and Leisure Australia National Conference - 9-12 November

“The conference theme, “Creating a Sense of Place” will focus on the role of the parks and leisure industry in Australia and highlight the significance of Planning and creating special Places for Play (being mindful of the challenges we face with climate change), managing and maintaining the Place engaging people, promoting the Place and confirming its importance to our society.”

Check out - <http://www.placonference.com.au/>

Nature Conservation Council Conference – 12-13 November – Saving a Sunburnt Country?

“The conference will be relevant to those working on the conservation of biodiversity and ecosystems at all levels of government, in the private sector and in the community. This ground breaking conference aims to provide access to the latest research on the challenges assisting mitigation and adaption for biodiversity and ecosystems under climate change, an overview of current policy and planning, and examples of innovation from government, academics and the community.”

Check out - http://nccnsw.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2498&Itemid=1

Australian Protected Areas Congress - 24-28 November – Protected Areas in the Century of Change

“Welcome to the inaugural Australian Protected Areas Congress (APAC08). The congress will bring together leaders and experts in protected area management and research from across Australia and the Asia-Pacific region. The congress is a unique opportunity for government, research institutions and NGOs to share the most advanced knowledge and thinking on terrestrial, freshwater and marine protected areas.”

Check out - <http://asnevents.com.au/apac/>

Ecological Society of Australia Conference – 1-5 December – Interactions in Science, Interactions in Nature

Check out the website for more information - <http://www.ecolsoc.org.au/2008SydneyConference.htm>



Collette the baby whale - wins our hearts

If you visit you-tube, type in “collette baby whale” you will find a plethora of images, emotive words, videos and music dedicated to Collette the baby whale recently euthanased at The Basin, Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park.

Everyone has their opinion on what happened, should have happened or could have happened. Sydney, Australia and even the international community had their say. What is missing is the emotional stress and strain such an event has on the people who managed the tragedy.

National Parks and Wildlife staff worked around the clock to monitor the whale’s health and prevent as much stress to the baby as possible. Congratulations to all those involved in making the difficult decision.

Below is some factual information about what happened.

There were a number of organisations and individuals who pulled together to care for this little whale, including the Australian Defence Force, ORRCA, Taronga Zoo, RSPCA and Sea World (San Diego) nationally and internationally. Marine mammal experts from Sea World were brought in to assist in assessment of the whale’s condition and provide advice to the NPWS.

NPWS were advised that feeding the whale was not a viable option. Options such as refloating the whale were constantly considered. A sling was ordered from Queensland which could have been used if an attempt was to be made to take the whale out to sea in the hope of reuniting it with a passing pod.

The NPWS was able to encourage the whale out to sea by towing the boat it was following, but it did not join with the whales that were passing at the time and by night it returned to Pittwater.

A Sea World expert concluded that while the whale was not suffering undue stress at that moment, its physical health was deteriorating and would continue to do so from here on.

The animal deteriorated quickly and was found to be suffering from previous shark inflicted injuries, experiencing breathing difficulties and its flukes were hanging down.

The whale, while not stressed, was suffering from lack of food and as attempts to join the whale with passing pods had failed the sad decision to euthanase was made.

She was euthanased 22 August after a long sad week.

Vets who euthanased the animal said it was a smooth operation and the sedated animal remained stress free and calm throughout.

The whale was lifted out of the water on a stretcher and transported to Taronga Zoo for an autopsy.

Michele Cooper



People and Nature: an introduction to human ecological relations

Emilio F. Moran (2006) Blackwell Publishing

Tegan Burton

Evidence of climate change, loss of biological diversity, tropical deforestation, and an impending crisis in potable water prompt the question: how have we created a situation where our planet – our very future – is at risk? In *People and Nature*, noted environmental scientist Emilio Moran provides a lively introduction to ecological anthropology, environmental geography, and human ecology. He examines the evolving relations between human communities and nature, and, by thoughtful analysis, offers a vision of what we must do to have a future worth living.

The fact that this book is part of the ‘Primers in Anthropology’ series, and retails around \$80, instantly puts it in the category of textbook. However as early as the preface the author says it is written in a style to engage, from the outset, the lay reader.

The goal is to *‘introduce the reader to the evidence, both historical and contemporary, for how the reciprocal interactions between people and nature have developed, the urgency for action now to prevent truly disastrous consequences, and to make suggestions as to how we might go about doing so.’*

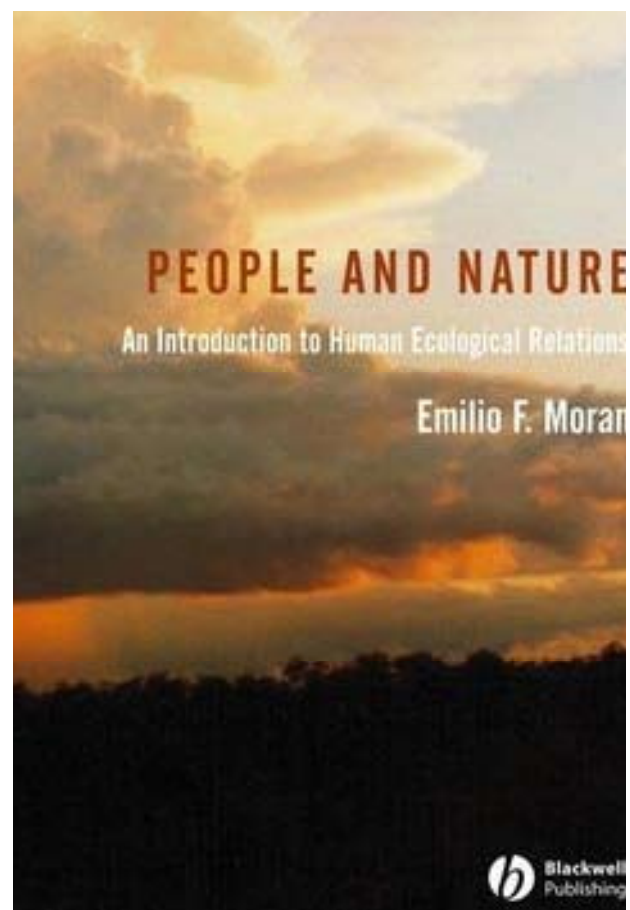
A major cultural shift is needed, in my own society and in the global economy, in order for us to move forward and make the changes necessary for our world. But how can I make this happen? I can’t, not on my own. However one of the important messages that came through is that changing our business-as-usual approach begins with an individual making a choice.

For me personally this provided timely re-enforcement that as an individual I can make a difference, in every small way, in every act. And if everyone did this then that shift would’ve happened.

The first memorable moment came as early as p.xiii where the author tells of the invaluable lesson learnt from his daughter *‘that we do not need more things,*

but that we have plenty already. That enjoying nature – plants, animals, bugs, the sun, the rain, the air we breathe, everything – makes us richer than anything we could possibly buy.’

Of course there is a lot more to it than that. It’s about understanding how humans have interacted with their environment throughout history and providing an opportunity to learn from the lessons of the past. If you are studying or have studied recently, or if you’re particularly orientated on conservation within a human world, you may not learn anything new from reading *People and Nature*. On the other hand, it provides easily readable and effective re-enforcement of where we’ve been and where we need to go, and may just offer a different way of thinking about the world and how we live within it.



Celebrate Threatened Species Week

National Threatened Species Day is held on 7 September each year to encourage the community to help conserve Australia's unique native fauna and flora. We can all take action to prevent further extinctions by restoring healthy numbers of endangered species and ecological communities in the wild.

National Threatened Species Day was first held in 1996, to commemorate the death of the last Tasmanian Tiger in captivity in 1936 in Hobart. The concept was developed by the Threatened Species Network, a community based program of the World Wide Fund for Nature and the Australian Government Caring for our Country, as a way to showcase Australian threatened species. By focusing attention on the plight of many of our threatened animals and plants, Threatened Species Day aims to encourage greater community support and hands-on involvement in the prevention of further losses of Australia's unique natural heritage.

To find out how you can help our threatened species

- explore the web site <http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened/ts-day/index.html>
- read Extinction is Forever: Save our threatened species before it's too late! Five ways you can help save threatened species
- get involved with Threatened Species Day events in your State or Territory
- start a threatened species project in your community
- check out the Threatened Species Brochures, fact sheets, stickers, posters and case studies at <http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened/ts-day/index.html>
- contact the Threatened Species Network Coordinator in your State or Territory

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In New South Wales, 1047 native species, populations and ecological communities are listed as threatened with extinction. There's a fab website which shows you what they look like, where and how they live, why they're threatened, and what we can do to help bring them back from the brink of extinction, check out <http://www.threatenedspecies.environment.nsw.gov.au>



Red Crowned Toadlet. D.Hunter



Red Flying-Fox.
M.Lane



Saccolaimus flaviventris

Got any great pickies of a threatened species, population or ecological community? Send em in and we will profile the species in the next edition of PAWA Press.



Southern Brown Bandicoot

Want to profile your protected area?

Done some awe inspiring work in your patch?

Tried any new techniques in managing and/or enhancing natural or cultural heritage ?

Visited an international site renowned for it's biodiversity, culture, heritage, landscape enhancement, conservation, environmental interpretation, access and recreation?

WANT TO SHARE IT?

Images: Left Hokkaido, Japan (M.Cooper), top right Charles Darwin Research Centre (M.Cooper), bottom right radio tracking bandicoots (M.Hall)



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If you would like to contribute to the next edition, please e-mail text to michele.cooper@environment.nsw.gov.au and forward images on a cd to M.Cooper, PO Box 3031, Asquith, NSW 2077.

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PROTECTED AREA WORKERS ASSOCIATION NSW

Membership Application



The Protected Area Workers Association (PAWA) NSW aims:

“to advance sustainable practices for the conservation of our natural and cultural resources. Natural and cultural resource management includes but is not limited to maintaining and enhancing biodiversity, culture and heritage, landscape enhancement and conservation, environmental interpretation, access and recreation.”

- A Protected Area Worker - is a person who works in a field operations position, or who supervises or supports the work of people in field operations positions in NSW protected areas.
- PAWA is a non-profit professional organisation.
- Ordinary and retired members have full voting rights.
- Supporting and student members do not have voting rights.
- Membership fees and travel costs to meetings and functions are legitimate tax deductions.
- Membership of PAWA also includes membership of the Australian Ranger Federation and the International Ranger Federation, and receipt of their newsletters, 'Paperbark', 'The Thin Green Line' and 'Guardaparque' as well as our own 'PAWA Press'.

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Membership category	Cost
Ordinary membership <input type="checkbox"/>	\$50.00
Retired membership <input type="checkbox"/>	\$25.00
Supporting membership <input type="checkbox"/>	\$25.00
Student membership <input type="checkbox"/>	\$25.00
TOTAL PAYMENT	\$

Membership categories

- Ordinary member - person employed as a protected area worker.
- Retired member - person who has been employed as a protected area worker but is now retired.
- Supporting member - any person who supports the objectives of PAWA.
- Student membership - person studying a course relating to protected area employment.

Signature _____ Date _____

PROTECTED AREA WORKERS ASSOCIATION NSW

Payment methods (please tick your choice of method)

Direct Deposit

Pay direct by internet or phone banking to the PAWA NSW St George Bank Account
BSB 112-879 Account Number 483395544

Please ensure you include your name and location in the transaction description so we know you have paid.

Payroll deduction

Contact your employer to organise regular payroll deductions. Members must pay at least monthly to retain voting rights.

DECC (NPWS) employees can use ESS on the intranet or SC-PS23-Payroll Deductions Form. Use the 'Other Deductions' section, tick 'Professional'. The fortnightly amount is \$2.00 and specify the name of the Association.

Cheque

Make all cheques payable to "Protected Area Workers Association NSW"

Please post this form and any cheques to:

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PO Box 3031
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