

Project Numbat commits further \$8,000 towards Williams Community Numbat

Project Numbat is vamping up its fundraising to reach \$46,000 for the creation of a large fibre-glass Numbat to feature in the future Williams Lions Playground!

We have committed an additional \$8,000 which now totals \$14,700 towards the 'Williams Community Numbat'. Some of the funds have been raised by attending local events in Williams such as the markets. Our next attendance will be on **Saturday 25 February from 8:30am till 1pm**. We are eagerly waiting to hear the result of a donation request from Newmont Gold in Boddington. We have also approached local businesses in Williams and Narrogin for donations too. What we are really excited about is our upcoming quiz

night later this year in Williams. Many local businesses have already advised of their generosity to provide gifts, hampers and vouchers for prizes and auction items.

Meet us
at the Williams
Markets on
Saturday 25
February!

When we do reach our goal and have the Numbat feature installed we want the Williams community to say 'I helped fund the large Numbat in our playground' and all Western Australians to say 'I know what a Numbat is', because as we know, it is our State mammal emblem after all.

If you live in the Williams area then please consider attending or donating to support this local project. If you live further away then you can still join us, and even stay overnight at Dryandra Woodland where you may be able to spot a Numbat in the wild.



Welcome to our first Newsletter of 2017!

We hope you all had a wonderful start of the year! Project Numbat certainly did – with exciting news about a \$8,500 grant coming our way to support dig surveys. Read on to find out more!

This year we're also stepping up the pace to raise funds for the Williams Community Numbat.

Make sure to watch this space for more details on our Quiz Night in Williams later this year.

And check our Webshop for great sales and new additions to our merchandise.

Have a happy 2017!

Grant Success!

Project Numbat will receive a grant from The Norman Wettenhall Foundation to support the growing amount of numbat dig surveys run each year.

A grant of \$8,500 will support the purchase of two Panasonic Touch Pads (tablets) that will be used to record survey data such as GPS locations, images and the presence or absence of digs. This means we will no longer need to rely on recording the information on paper or manually entering the data, as the downloaded information will highlight the survey results on a map.

The grant also supports the design and development of a dig survey booklet that can be used by all to recognise the difference between numbat digs and other animal digs found in our woodlands. The Norman Wettenhall Foundation supports biodiversity conservation projects Australia-wide.



Donation from Numbat Art sales

Alasdair Wardle donated artwork for our exhibition at Little Creatures in 2015 and he obviously has a love of Numbats because he recently donated to Project Numbat \$250 from the sale of his Numbat art, at a small gallery in Mandurah.

The artwork shown above will be part of a silent auction at the Project Numbat Quiz Night In Williams later this year. So make sure to book your table if you want to take these beauties home!

Raising Awareness in Bridgetown

On Sunday 28th January, Project Numbat attended the Bridgetown Markets. We finally had the opportunity to go that further distance from Perth to raise awareness and sell merchandise. Bridgetown isn't far from reserves that have Numbats, and some of the locals even said they have seen a Numbat before. We met some Bridgetown based Project Numbat members too and enjoyed chatting to all people about Numbats!



Upcoming Events

Do you want to find out more about Project Numbat and our conservation efforts? Do you want to browse our merchandise or have a cuddle with our furry mascot Nurla? Or do you just want to have a friendly chat with a Project Numbat Committee Member? Meet us at one of these events in the next weeks!

For more information and updates, [follow Project Numbat on Facebook](#).

Williams Markets

Saturday 25th February, 8:30am-1pm

Narrogin Naturalist Club presentation

Tuesday 7th March,
Narrogin Visitors Centre at 7pm

Envirofest at Whiteman Park

Saturday 25th March, 10am-3pm

Williams Gateway Expo

Saturday 8th April, 10am-5pm



Feral Cat Scan to help protect native wildlife

This image of a feral cat was taken by a sensor camera at Boyagin Nature Reserve in 2015. Feral cats are a threat to Numbats as they predate on them and other small native animals.

A Feral Cat is defined as a cat that lives and reproduces in the wild (for example in woodlands) and relies on hunting or scavenging to survive whereby none of its needs are met intentionally by humans.

There is no doubt that they are great survivors in all types of environments and it is unfortunate that the inappropriate keeping of cats has contributed to the feral cat issue.

You can search for feral cats in your locality by visiting the Feral Cat Scan website. It is a national project developed by the Invasive Animals CRC and Australian Government Department of the Environment, to improve knowledge about feral cats to help protect Australia's threatened wildlife like Numbats.



This website and App have the ability to record feral cats and their impacts. There is a map of sightings across Australia, control actions, photos and information on how to control feral cats, all of which are available on www.feralscan.org.au/

Project Numbat presents to 100 Zoo docents

Project Numbat has collaborated with the Perth Zoo for many years and recently provided a presentation to their docents about the function of Project Numbat.

The word 'Docent' is derived from the Latin word 'docere' which means to teach. Perth Zoo Docents are voluntary workers that pass on information to visitors about the Zoo's role in conservation of animals and their habitat and have a passion for all animals.



The presentation covered Project Numbat's committee structure, collaborative partners, current and future projects, achievements and of course cute images of the Numbat - including Frankie which all the docents know about.

Amongst the crowd of 100 that attended, it was a pleasure to see past Project Numbat Committee Members that have helped Project Numbat get to where we are today.

Lesley helped develop the primary school package that teachers and home school parents often download from our website. Rosemary and Edwin were the first to source our ever popular range of Numbat merchandise and more recently Rosemary also assisted as our Secretary and continues to help by attending events.

Lesley, Rosemary and Edwin along with many other docents have also harvested termites so that female captive numbats carrying young can be given the best food to maintain their health while rearing their young.

Meet our new Committee Members

Jennie Carson



Jennie has always had a love of the outdoors and has spent many hours walking through the beautiful bush surrounding Perth and her homeland of Canada. Now that she has a young family, she is keen to set an example for her children and to give back to the environment that has provided her with so much enjoyment over the years.

This will be Jennie's first year on the committee as Merchandise Officer and she is excited to help raise awareness about Project Numbat and to help ensure the Numbat population can one day thrive in their natural habitat.

Liam Rowles

Growing up in Perth Liam Found himself enthralled by the wildlife at Perth Zoo. His many visits fostered a passion to conserve our native animals especially those so unique to our Western Australian landscape. Recently Liam completed his Masters in Environmental Management and has been involved in numerous projects around Australia. From fauna surveying in the Victoria and South Australia to camera trapping and chasing snakes in the Northern territory, Liam has travelled to experience the wonder that is our country.

After discovering that the Numbat was not only the icon and emblem of Western Australia, he learned it was also fast approaching extinction in his home state. This realisation caused Liam to seek a committee posi-

tion with Project Numbat. He hopes to assist in the fundraising for Numbat recovery so future generations may be as inspired as he by such amazing little animals.

Liam is a passionate conservationist who is determined to ensure that the South west of Australia remains a hotspot for wildlife biodiversity. As he continues to develop a career in Environmental Management, he wishes to protect our natural landscape along with its flora and fauna for generations to come.



Meet all our Committee Members at:
<http://www.numbat.org.au/committee/>



Design our new T-shirt!

After receiving much demand for an adult T-shirt to be added to our merchandise range, we are doing something about it!

If you have a great idea for a numbat design, we would love to receive your submission.

With all profits from our merchandise sales going towards numbat conservation, this is a great way to express your creativity at the same time as helping to save numbats from extinction.

For submission of your ideas or queries, please contact info@numbat.org.au.

All funds raised will go towards numbat conservation and awareness.



If your design is chosen by our panel of judges, you WIN a T-shirt & a \$30 voucher for our merchandise range!

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST!

Project Numbat wishes to add an adult's T-shirt to their merchandise range. We are scouting for an original and unique design that we can use on the T-shirt and possibly future items.

Design requirements:

- Single colour design
- A recognisable numbat as the main focus of the design
- Can be either realistic or stylised
- High quality image (300+ dpi).



For submissions and queries, please email info@numbat.org.au

DESIGN DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2017

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New items and sales in our online shop!

Looking for that unique numbat gift? Visit our online shop for some amazing additions to our merchandise! We currently also have some fabulous items on sale. [Check it all out on numbat.org.au!](http://numbat.org.au)



Felt Numbat Magnet (\$16)



Numbat Journal (\$15)



Floor Puzzle (\$30)



Kids T-Shirt (\$20)



Numbat Family (\$25)



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You can help us protect the numbat!

Memberships

Individual	Family
1 year: \$20	1 year: \$40
3 years: \$50	3 years: \$100
5 years: \$85	5 years: \$170

[More information here.](#)

Donations

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Account: 256 381
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Purchase a collar

Purchase a radio collar to help us track released num-bats.
[Click here for more information](#)

Williams Numbat

Visit our [MyCause](#) page to help us raise funds for a Giant Numbat in Williams, in the heart of numbat country.

Contact us for more information about how you can support Project Numbat, including bequests.