

Community awareness and involvement in the conservation of our unique mammal emblem



**Project Numbat Incorporated
Annual Report 2012-13**

Mission

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Objectives

- To enhance efforts to conserve the numbat and its natural habitat.
- To assist the Numbat Recovery Team with conservation activities including research and reintroduction programs.
- To assist in the protection and restoration of current and former numbat habitat.
- To promote and assist landholder participation in feral animal control programs, in cooperation with the relevant Government Agencies.
- To promote and assist community awareness of the numbat and the need to support its recovery via the media, schools, local shows etc.
- Develop collaborations with other community organizations and action groups with similar objectives to pool resources to achieve identified outcomes.
- To undertake fundraising activities to support numbat conservation.
- Undertaking education and community awareness programs promoting the significance of the numbat and its habitat.
- Supporting on-ground work that directly assists the conservation of the numbat and its associated habitat.
- To establish and maintain a public fund to be called the Numbat Conservation Fund for the specific purpose of supporting the objectives of Project Numbat. The fund is established to receive all gifts of money or property for this purpose and any money received because of such gifts must be credited to its bank account. The Numbat Conservation Fund must not receive any other money or property into its account and it must comply with subdivision 30-E of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Executive Committee Members

Chairperson: Dani Jose
Vice-chairperson: Rosemary Johnston
Secretary: Jessica Morrison
Treasurer: Eva Wiehl

Committee Positions

Renee Bauhofer
Karen Cavanough
Kristy Eriksen
Dawn Forder
Leanne Kelman
Chris Murphy
Emily Trainer
Tamara Wilkes-Jones

Numbat Conservation Fund Board of Management

Dr Christine Cooper

Dr Tony Friend

Dr Alexander Kabat

Dr Cree Monaghan

Vicki Power

Chairperson's Report



Photo by Luc Hoogenstein

Support for the Department of Parks and Wildlife

In the 2012-13 financial year, Project Numbat provided The Department of Parks and Wildlife with \$4750 for radio tracking collars. This money was raised by donations from members at \$250 per collar. Donors received a certificate of their collared Numbat with information about the animal's name, date of birth, weight, sex and release location.

Eleven collars were fitted to numbats that were bred at Perth Zoo and released into the Australian Wildlife Conservancy's Scotia Sanctuary in New South Wales, while the remaining collars were used on wild caught numbats in monitored populations in Western Australia. Due to the success of this fundraiser, it is being run again in 2013 for the release of numbats in December 2013.

Project Numbat completed the purchase of ten camera traps for the Department of Parks and Wildlife's use in Dryandra Woodland. The cameras will support survey work to elucidate the status of all known populations and this will be written up in a paper on the status and distribution of the numbat.

The cameras will also be used in studies of feral predators (particularly cats) at Dryandra which will assist in the design of an integrated feral predator control regime. The cost of the cameras was approximately \$7000 and this was funded through donations and fundraising.

Education program

Project Numbat presenters Vicki Power and Rosemary Johnston were busy this financial year in delivering presentations to primary schools around Perth. These visits included a presentation to more than 100 students at Rostrata Primary School. The Quiz on Legs event at Kings Park saw more than 1600 school students educated about the numbat. A very successful and busy day indeed!

A number of students have emailed Project Numbat throughout the year, requesting assistance with school projects on the numbat and its conservation. Most students have been from interstate or overseas. It is great to know that our message is reaching all parts of the world!

The primary school education program continues to be downloaded from our website by interested teachers (another 6 times this financial year). Members of the Project Numbat committee have also commenced planning for a secondary school package.

We have also had a numbat taxidermied for our use when visiting schools etc, as well as a numbat costume made which has been used at a number of events throughout the year and is a great hit with children.

Articles about the numbat have been published in two magazines this year – SCIOS (Science teachers' magazine) and Land for Wildlife. It's great to have so much interest in the numbat's plight and hopefully this will help to make the wider community more aware.

Events

Project Numbat volunteers have attended a number of events during the year, including Quiz on Legs at Kings Park, two fundraising bbqs at Rostrata Primary School, a numbat surveying weekend at Boyagin, a numbat fundraiser day in Fremantle run by Lisa Hills, the W.A. Museum's Love Your Local Wildlife program (run over three days) and the City of Belmont's Autumn River Festival.

Fundraising

Project Numbat was fortunate to be the recipient of the Australasian Society of Zoo Keeping's fundraiser held in March 2012, with \$4700 received from this event in October 2012. Thanks go out to ASZK. This money was given to the Department of Parks and Wildlife to be used for predator DNA work, which will be used to further develop predator control research.

Rostrata Primary School again held two fundraising barbecues for us in October and December 2012 which were a great success, raising more than \$1000 in total. This is the fifth year they have held these fundraisers and we look forward to continuing again in 2013. Thank you Rostrata Primary School!

Perth Advocates for the Earth Inc. held a quiz night in January 2013 and generously distributed the proceeds from this event to Project Numbat and the W.A. Dingo Association. We were fortunate to receive a total of \$2020. A big thank you to Leanne Kelman for attending and giving a presentation at this event and of course to Perth Advocates for the Earth Inc. for their generosity!

Memberships

Memberships remained steady over the financial year with a slight increase from 156 at the end of June 2012 to 159 at the end of June 2013.

Online

Project Numbat's website continues to share information on news and activities and is visited regularly. Our Facebook page now has 1221 fans, a great achievement (up from 846 last year). It is helping to spread our message, and generates great interest from each post.

Numbat Conservation Fund

Project Numbat operates the Numbat Conservation Fund which is responsible for receiving donations and distributing them to projects that support our objectives. In 2012-13, we distributed \$4750 in funds to the Department of Parks and Wildlife for numbat radio-collars and approximately \$7000 for the purchase of camera traps.

Community Involvement

Project Numbat has been actively involved in the community this year. A member weekend was held at Dryandra in September last year, for those that were interested in visiting numbat habitat. A night tour of Barnamia was also held for those who attended. We are currently developing a numbat survey team which will allow trained members to participate in field work. A naming competition was held for our numbat mascot and the winning name was 'Nurla', meaning plentiful. Congratulations to our winner Rosine Young from South Australia!

Special Thanks

Project Numbat would like to thank Supa IGA Rossmoyne and Schweppes for donating food and drinks for fundraising barbecues, and Café 6 in Joondalup for displaying a donation tin.

Many thanks to Perth Zoo, for continuing to allow Project Numbat to hold our meetings there, at no cost. We greatly appreciate their support and will continue to maintain this valuable relationship. Thank you also to Graeme Robert Jennings from Accru Page Kirk and Jennings for again carrying out the audit of Project Numbat's accounts this year free of charge. His generosity is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the past and present committee for their hard work throughout 2012-13. It has been another busy year. Finally I would like to thank all of our members and donors for your support throughout the year. Without you, we would not be able to spread our message. The fact is that the numbat is still endangered and continues to need our help to prevent it from becoming extinct. We hope you will continue to support us in our efforts.

Dani Jose
Chairperson

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR 1 JULY 2012 to 30 JUNE 2013

	2013	2012
		\$
Income		
Merchandise sales	845.00	753.00
Opening Stock	2,149.00	2,002.00
Purchases	294.00	268.00
Closing Stock	-1,667.00	-2,149.00
Cost of sales	<u>776.00</u>	<u>121.00</u>
Net Sales	<u>69.00</u>	<u>632.00</u>
Memberships	2,170.00	1,923.00
Donations	14,891.00	6,055.00
Fundraising	9,253.00	11,198.00
Funding	-	-
Bank interest	98.00	70.00
Other	-	-
Total income	<u>26,481.00</u>	<u>19,878.00</u>
Expenses		
Administration	2,172.00	1,876.00
Donations	-	4,000.00
Funraising	1,248.00	9,390.00
Funding	16,437.00	467.00
Bank fees	223.00	121.00
Marketing and Promo	2,816.00	89.00
Total Expenses	<u>22,896.00</u>	<u>15,943.00</u>
Net Income	<u><u>3,585.00</u></u>	<u><u>3,935.00</u></u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2013

	2013	2012
Assets		
Westpac	15,780.00	17,530.00
Westpac Numbat Conservation Fund	8,537.00	5,998.00
Pay Pal Account	3,264.00	-
Petty cash	2.00	2.00
Float	64.00	50.00
Stock on hand	1,667.00	2,149.00
Total Assets	<u>29,314.00</u>	<u>25,729.00</u>
Liabilities		
Equity		
Profit earned this year	3,585.00	3,935.00
Retained earnings	<u>25,729.00</u>	<u>21,794.00</u>
	<u>29,314.00</u>	<u>25,729.00</u>

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
PROJECT NUMBAT INCORPORATED
ABN: 53 357 921 038**

I have, in accordance with the scope, which has engaged me to check the financial report of Project Numbat Incorporated, audited the accompanying financial report which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2013 and the Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2013. The scope did not require me to form an opinion, however I have found the financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of Project Numbat Incorporated as at 30 June 2013 and of its financial performance for the year then ended.

The Committee of Project Numbat Incorporated is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the financial report is appropriate to meet the reporting requirements of the Constitution and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Committee's responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report.

I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

In conducting the audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

GRAEME ROBERT JENNINGS FCA

Date: 15 October 2013