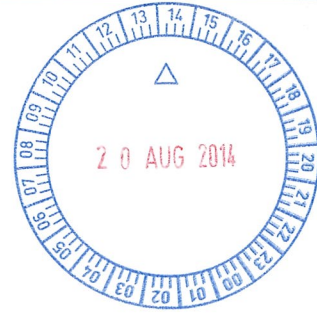




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SSAA Projects Conducted in Western Australia.

SSAA (WA) has been involved in the following feral and pest species control programs in this state from 1994 to the present. All have been subject to specific strict guidelines and are generally not publicised as per agreement with the land manager.

We would also draw the Committee's attention to the Red Card for Rabbits and Foxes program which can be found at www.redcard.net.au. This utilises the widespread involvement of recreational hunters in a coordinated control program.

Feral Goats :-

- Wilyunga Natl. Pk (1994)
- John Forest Natl Pk (1994)
- Denbarker State Forest (1994 to present)
- Watheroo Natl. Pk Late 1990's to early 2000's)
- Fitzgerald Ntl Pk (Late 1990's)
- Wariups area (for Ag. Dept) (2004)

Feral Pigs –

- Denbarker State Forest, Frankland State Forest, (1994 to present)
- Unicap area Late 1990's)
- Chittering (2012)

Fox –

- Widespread state-wide participation in Red Card program. (Ongoing)
- Trapping of individual fox in small holdings. (2013)
- Removal from predator proof wildlife enclosure. (2012)

- Generation of sponsored funds from ongoing shooting (similar to a bounty, proceeds to conservation groups) – long term project from mid 1990's currently on backburner but to be re-instated)

Rabbits –

- Control of rabbits on major golf course, (1996)
- Ongoing provision of carcasses to wildlife carers and to raptor rehabilitation programs.

Cattle –

- Shooting of wandering livestock (nuisance) cattle in the Denbarker area (two projects, Late 1990's and current)

Deer –

- Shooting of deer on private property and state forest in the Walpole area. (2012 and continuing)

Buffalo –

- Removing small number of escaped "domestic" buffalo from crown land. Condingup SSAA Branch early 2000's

Cats –

- Control of cats at a municipal rubbish sites. (1994 and mid 2000's)

Kangaroos –

- Control of kangaroos at municipal airports.
- Shooting of kangaroos from inside a predator proof Poteroo breeding enclosure (to prevent fence damage). (2008 approx)

Crows – Magpies

- Control of crows in vineyards (early 2000's)
- Removal of nuisance native birds (Magpies and Crows) from school precincts. (as required)

Invasive Corellas and Galahs –

- Long term project for reduction of numbers to protect Black Cockatoo nesting sites. Late 1990's to present.

Ducks –

- Reduction of duck numbers on cereal crops (under permit)

Other SSAA Conservation Based Projects.:

SSAA National have just formed an MOU with FAME (Federation for Australia's Most Endangered species). This program is engaged in protecting and relocating Western Quolls from the remaining pockets of their last known habitats in WA to safe ground in the Flinders Ranges in South Australia.

Funding box traps and associate equipment to assist with predator research in the lower Great Southern.

Funding for the purchase of radio tracker collars (for Malleefowl chicks) from fees generated by conducting commercial kangaroo shooter's testing. (Mid 2000's)

Provision of DNA samples to research projects (Fox, Cat, Camel and Rabbit).

Advice to Dept. Parks & Wildlife re safety aspects of Indigenous Hunting at their request. (2013).