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SUMMARY

Records of bird species observed by F.L. Whitlock near Wilson Inlet in the period 1905-19 (mostly 1907, 1909 and 1910), hitherto unpublished, were collated from museum specimens and archives. Whitlock noted 94 species comprising 65 landbirds, 10 waterbirds, 7 seabirds, and 12 non-breeding waders. Records of bird species made by other ornithologists from 1889 to 1913 indicate that the original avifauna of this region comprised 81 landbird species. In the past century four of these species (Burhinus grallarius, Pezoporus wallicus, Atrichornis clamosus and Dasyornis longirostris), as well as the waterbird Ixobrychus flavicollis, appear to have become locally extinct. Deforestation for agricultural development, with the subsequent creation of parkland and pasture, has allowed 10 landbird and 8 waterbird species to colonize the area. Whitlock's records of the seabird species Eudyptula minor and Pterodroma macroptera nesting on islands in Wilson Inlet are otherwise unreported in the literature.

A comprehensive synthesis of eyewitness accounts of Aboriginal burning practices in the period 1791-1840 indicates that anthropogenic fire was frequent, prevalent in summer, and spatially extensive but in patches varying in area from c. 10–2000 ha, with a tendency for riparian vegetation to be burnt less often than uplands. Such fires could be set at the hottest part of the day, with multiple ignitions on the one day, and under windy conditions. Three bird species that are sensitive to frequent fire and now considered to be extinct locally are presumed to have had patchy distributions confined to those limited parts of the landscape naturally protected from frequent burning (vegetation along higher order streams, on steep southfacing slopes, or surrounded by expanses of granite). In addition, some of these sites may have had totemic significance to Aborigines and were thus protected from more intense or frequent fire by periodic burning using low intensity fire in spring, late autumn or early winter. The vulnerability of naturally insularized populations to

inappropriate intensity or frequency of fire may explain the early demise of these species following European settlement.

Few other parts of Western Australia have an avifauna so well documented at a time when agricultural development had only recently commenced. The Denmark area would therefore provide an appropriate focal region for documenting ongoing environmental change as indicated by the avifauna.

INTRODUCTION

The English ornithologist F.L. Whitlock (1860-1953) migrated to Western Australia (WA) in 1901 (Whittell 1954), and later settled near Tudor Siding, Wilson Inlet (Fig. 1), 'the house ["Chiltern", Jackson 1912-13 unpublished diary] being within half-a-mile [c. 800 m] of the eastern end of the inlet' (Whittell 1940) and 'a little over a mile [1.6 km]' from the siding (Jackson 1912-13, unpublished diary). Whitlock resided there from 1905 to c. 1924, though from 1908 he was often in remote parts of Australia collecting eggs for H.L. White and skins for G.M. Mathews. Whittell (1940) drew attention to the absence of a general account of Whitlock's collecting and observations near Wilson Inlet. This omission is difficult to explain, because Whitlock did publish on the bird species encountered on each of his 13 collecting expeditions; perhaps Wilson Inlet was not considered sufficiently remote or the avifauna of the region was regarded as uninteresting. The five papers published on the area treated only six species in varying degrees of detail (Whitlock 1911a, 1912, 1914, 1926, 1936). To my surprise, no remarks about the avifauna of the Denmark region were found in Mathews' 12 volume Birds of Australia, published between 1910 and 1927.

With the passage of time, Whitlock's specimens collected near Wilson Inlet have assumed a significance probably not envisaged by him. His specimens were collected following a period of timber getting at Torbay (1884–1896) and Denmark (1896–1905) (Gunzburg and Austin 1997) and the commencement of permanent clearing of vegetation in 1906 for potato farming (Jackson 1912–13, unpublished diary) and dairying (Cullity 1979). Closer settlement was given impetus when in 1907 the Western Australian government purchased the Elleker-Denmark railway, built by Millar's, and adjacent lands (Gunzburg and Austin 1997). Whitlock's collections provide an important baseline for examining gross changes in species composition of the avifauna during the course of this century.

The aims of this paper are: (1) to collate all available records by Whitlock and make this important baseline historical information more readily accessible; (2) to combine this material with records of bird species observed by other ornithologists in the period 1889–1913 in the Denmark region, resulting in a definitive list of bird species of the Denmark region prior to intensive disturbance by European settlement; and (3) to provide context for evaluating the impact of clearing of native vegetation for farming and of changed fire regimes in native vegetation on bird species. Background information on the habitats present and presumably examined by Whitlock is also given.

METHODS

Sources

Information was collated from three sources, which in the following list of species are indicated as MS, Egg, and Specimen respectively. MS refers to annotations made by Whitlock on his personal copy of R. Hall's 1899 A Key to the Birds of Australia and Tasmania with their Geographical Distribution in Australia (held in the Public Records Office of WA). Egg refers to eggs collected for H.L. White and now held in the Museum of Victoria, or eggs lodged in the Australian Museum or Western Australian Museum. Specimen refers to specimens: collected for G.M. Mathews, now held in the collection of the American Museum of Natural History in New York; collected for H.L. White, now held in the Museum of Victoria, Melbourne; or deposited in the Australian Museum, Sydney or Western Australian Museum, Perth. These sources unfortunately contain very little information other than locality and date of collection.

Citation of records

The names and sequence of species follow the current Western Australian Museum list (Johnstone in press). The following convention is adhered to: 'Specimen: 1/11 (1)' signifies that one bird specimen was collected in January 1911 near Wilson Inlet. 'Egg 10/13 (8)' refers to a clutch of 8 eggs collected in October 1913 near Wilson Inlet. Eggs or specimens held in the H.L. White collection are prefixed HLW and those in the Australian Museum and Western Australian Museum are denoted AM and WAM respectively. Specimens without a prefix are lodged at the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH). Locality is cited only for material collected other than at Wilson Inlet. The HLW and AM egg records refer to a clutch.

Habitats visited by Whitlock

According to Churchward *et al.* (1988) three landform/soil units are present between Tudor Siding and Wilson Inlet. The most widely occurring is the Blackwater system, a flat, poorly drained plain vegetated by sedgeland and scattered thickets of *Melaleuca* and *Banksia* species. The Owingup system also consists of poorly drained plains of sedgeland and dense thickets of wattie (*Agonis juniperina*), with lunettes supporting woodland dominated by *Banksia* species and *Allocasuarina fraseriana*. The Collis system comprises low hilly terrain with relief < 20 m vegetated by jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*)/marri (*Corymbia calophylla*) forest with a dense shrub layer of *Bossiaea linophylla*.

East of Wilson Inlet the Blackwater system is most extensive. Several large patches of karri forest (Keystone unit) occurred until the 1890s. After clearfelling most of this land was taken up for agriculture, thus destroying the regenerating forest (Bradshaw *et al.* 1997). Smaller patches of jarrah forest (Collis) also occur in this sector. Lake William is surrounded by peppermint (*Agonis flexuosa*) woodland (Meerup dune system).

At and near Denmark, four landform/soil units are present. The Keystone system is characterized by hills and ridges > 60 m relief supporting karri forest and jarrah forest/woodland. Most of this system is now on private land and has been cleared for dairying. The Trent system is made up of flat topped hills, < 40 m relief, supporting low jarrah/marri forest. The Fernley system is swampy terrain, with jarrah/bullich (*E. megacarpa*) on rises and kangaroo grass (*Evandra aristata*) sedgeland and tea tree (*Agonis parviceps*) and *A. linearifolia* heath in poorly drained areas. The Denmark River valley is classified as a major valley, with 20 m relief, supporting jarrah/marri forest on slopes and dense thickets of wattie/paperbark (*Melaleuca* spp.) on terraces.

Whitlock makes no mention of the habitats in which he collected, except for six species (Whitlock 1911a, 1912, 1914, 1926, 1936). Jackson (1912–13 unpublished diary) recorded on 9 October 1912 that Whitlock stated his intention of 'collecting up the Hay River in from Wilson's Inlet, not too far from his house at Tudor Siding...'.

Aboriginal burning practices in the period 1791–1840

The Denmark region is adjacent to the Albany region, which was first visited by Europeans in 1791. King George Sound, a commodious and safe harbour with a ready supply of firewood and water onshore, was an attractive landfall after the long sea voyage from Capetown, Sydney or Hobart. As a result the coastal parts of the Albany region were visited several times, before a small penal colony was established at Albany by the Governor of New South Wales in 1826. This was disbanded in 1831 when the area came under the administration of the Swan River colony, resulting in occupation by free settlers.

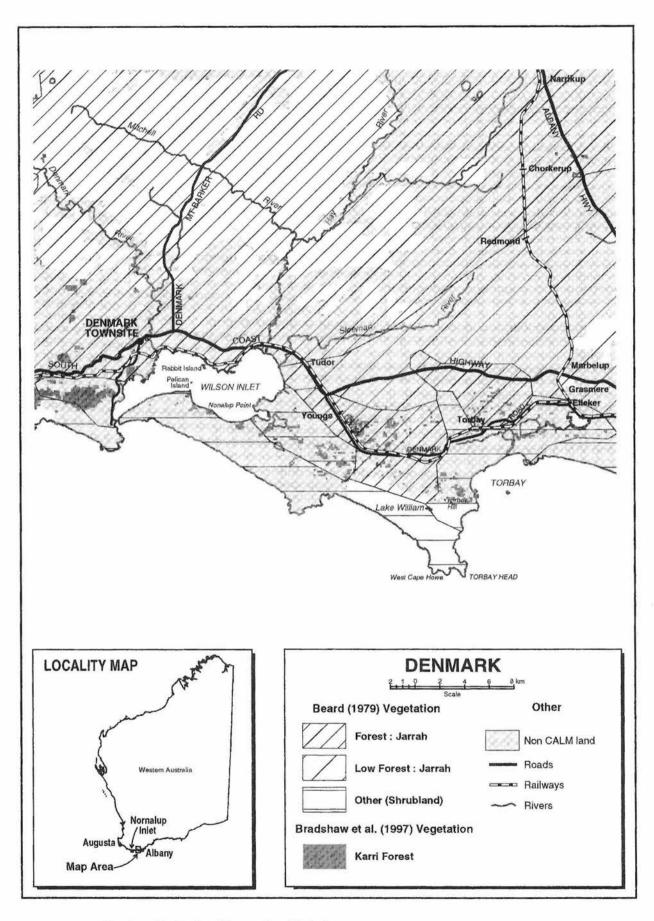


Figure 1. Denmark region, showing localities mentioned in text.

All available published and unpublished records made by naval, army and civilian personnel connected with these visits and later settlement have been searched for statements about fire and the density of vegetation. This information provides one of the most comprehensive accounts of Aboriginal burning practices before and just after European settlement for any locality in southern Australia. I have quoted verbatim all relevant remarks about fire and vegetation structure, taking particular care to avoid selective quotation in support of a particular view. By not paraphrasing these records, I have provided a clear demarcation between my interpretation and what was actually recorded. Scholars can then debate my interpretation, confident that the full background has been provided. All available eyewitness evidence about Aboriginal use of fire in the Denmark and Albany regions is presented in Appendix 1.

The area covered by these observations experiences a west-east rainfall gradient of 1000 mm (Denmark) to 800 mm (Mt Gardner) per annum, and a south-north gradient of 900 mm (Albany) to 750 mm (Mt Barker). Although Hallam (1975) provided quotations relating to this area, they are selective and not comprehensive, having been cited to demonstrate that burning was not an incidental activity of Aborigines. Furthermore, several additional contemporary accounts have become available since 1975.

RESULTS

Annotated list of bird species recorded by Whitlock

Whitlock accumulated 603 records of 103 bird species throughout his period of residence, with the last novel species of landbird, waterbird, and wader being recorded in 1917, 1917 and 1911 respectively (Fig. 2A). He eventually noted 65 landbird species, 10 waterbird species, 7 seabird species, and 12 non-breeding wader species. Most records were made in 1910, 1907, 1909, 1906 and 1911 (Fig. 2B). Whitlock collected 431 specimens (made up as museum skins), observed 55 clutches and made 33 dated annotations of landbirds in his copy of Hall's book. He collected 19 waterbird specimens and 36 wader specimens, recorded 11 clutches of waterbirds and annotated records of 14 waterbirds and 4 waders in his copy of Hall. His cumulative number of species recorded is closely related to his cumulative observation effort (Fig. 2C).

Landbirds

Coturnix novaezelandiae	STUBBLE QUAIL
Specimen: 1/11 (1).	
Coturnix ypsilophora	BROWN QUAIL
MS: 2/06, 2/13.	
Egg: HLW 10/13 (8), near Albany.	
Accipiter fasciatus	BROWN GOSHAWK

Egg: HLW 10/13 (3). Specimen: 7/11 (1); HLW 10/13 (1).

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Accipiter cirrocephalus COLLARED SPARROWHAWK MS: 9/06 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 12/08 (1), 3/09 (1), 5/10 (2); HLW 2/12 (1).

Haliaeetus leucogaster WHITE-BELLIED SEA-EAGLE MS: 11/06 (nesting). Nesting in 1905 in a tree close to the beach of Wilson Inlet (Carter 1923).

Circus approximans SWAMP HARRIER MS: No date given and evidently misidentified as *C. assimilis* (Spotted harrier) based on description supplied ('patch of white on upper tail coverts, wings in flight curved when out spread'). According to Storr (1991), *C. assimilis* did not originally occur west of Two Peoples Bay.

Specimen: HLW 10/16 (2).

Falco berigora BROWN FALCON Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 4/10 (1).

Falco longipennis AUSTRALIAN HOBBY Specimen: HLW 6/13 (1).

Turnix variaPAINTED BUTTON-QUAILEgg: HLW 11/12 (4), near Albany.Specimen: WAM 3/07 (2); 12/09 (juvenile); HLW 11/12(1).

Burhinus grallarius BUSH STONE-CURLEW Egg: HLW 10/12 (2).

Phaps chalcoptera COMMON BRONZEWING Specimen: 3/05 (1), Denmark.

Phaps elegansBRUSH BRONZEWINGSpecimen: 11/11 (1).

Calyptorhynchus banksii RED-TAILED BLACK COCKATOO Specimen: 10/10 (1), West Cape Howe; HLW 1/16 (1).

Calyptorhynchus baudinii BAUDIN'S COCKATOO Specimen: HLW 1/16 (1), HLW 4/16 (1), HLW 3/17 (1).

Glossopsitta porphyrocephala

PURPLE-CROWNED LORIKEET Specimen: 2/10 (2), 3/10 (9), 4/10 (6), 5/10 (3), 7/10 (1); 5/10 (1), Denmark. One of Whitlock's specimens collected in 3/10 from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *G. p. whitlocki* (1912); however, this taxon has not been accepted.

 Platycercus spurius
 RED-CAPPED PARROT

 MS: 1/06.
 Specimen: 4/06 (1); WAM 3/07 (4); 12/08 (2), 4/09 (1), 6/10 (1); HLW 11/10 (1), West Cape Howe.

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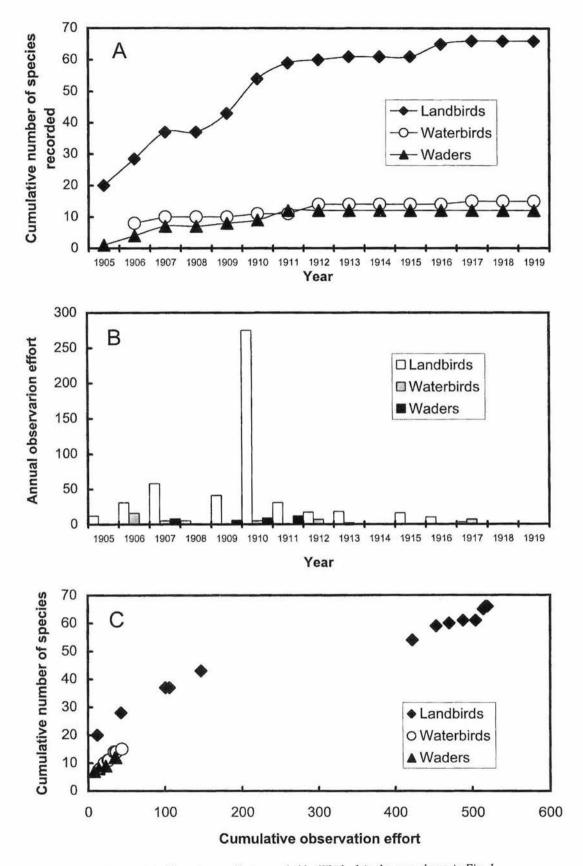


Figure 2A. Year in which each bird species was first recorded by Whitlock in the area shown in Fig. 1. 2B. Whitlock's annual observation effort, shown separately for landbirds, waterbirds and waders. Annual observation effort is the total number of records of annotations, eggs or specimens collected each year. 2C. Cumulative number of species recorded in relation to cumulative observation effort. Seabird species have been combined with waterbird species in Figures 2A, B & C.

Platycercus icterotisWESTERN ROSELLASpecimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 3/09 (1), 3/10 (4), 4/10 (2), 5/10(4); HLW 9/12 (1); HLW 12/12 (1). One of Whitlock'sspecimens collected in 4/10 from Wilson Inlet servedMathews as the type of P. i. salvadori (1912), a taxon notsince recognized.

Neophema elegans ELEGANT PARROT Specimen: HLW 1/16 (5). This record is inconsistent with Storr's (1991) statement that this species colonized the Albany district in the 1960s.

Neophema petrophila	ROCK PARROT
Specimen: 12/09 (1).	

Pezoporus wallicus GROUND PARROT Egg: HLW 11/13 (3). Whitlock (1914) also reported nesting 10/12. Serventy (1926, p. 68) mentions a personal communication from Whitlock that this species was seen near Wilson Inlet 7 miles [c. 11 km] from the open ocean. Specimen: HLW 11/11 (2).

Chrysococcyx basalis

HORSFIELD'S BRONZE CUCKOO Egg: HLW 11/16 (1), in nest of *Stipiturus malachurus* (1 egg). This record contradicts Storr's (1991) statement that this species does not occur west of Albany. (Storr 1991 is an otherwise authoritative and comprehensive synthesis of records.)

Chrysococcyx lucidus SHINING BRONZE CUCKOO MS: 9 and 10/06, egg. Egg: HLW 10/06 (1) (in Acanthiza inornata [1 egg] nest), HLW 11/11 (1) (in Gerygone fusca [1 egg] nest), HLW

11/13 (1) (in Acanthiza chrysorrhoa [3 eggs] nest).

Podargus strigoides TAWNY FROGMOUTH Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 2/11 (1).

Aegotheles cristatus AUSTRALIAN OWLET-NIGHTJAR Specimen: 5/10 (1).

Climacteris rufa RUFOUS TREECREEPER Egg: HLW 12/09 (3). Specimen: 3/09 (1), 2/10 (2), 3/10 (2), 4/10 (3), 6/10 (1); 5/10 (3), Denmark.

Malurus splendens SPLENDID FAIRY-WREN Specimen: WAM 3/07 (3); 5/10 (1).

Malurus elegans RED-WINGED FAIRY-WREN MS: 7/06, 10/06 (eggs).

Egg: HLW 11/12 (3), 'Mingerup, Wilson's Inlet'. The location of Mingerup is now untraceable (R. Properjohn¹ personal communication).

Specimen: WAM 3/07 (10); 12/05 (1), 12/09 (1), 4/10 (1), 6/10 (1); HLW 11/10 (1), Lake William [near Torbay]; HLW 11/12 (1).

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Stipiturus malachurus MS: 12/05, Torbay.

SOUTHERN EMU-WREN

Egg: HLW 11/11 (1), HLW 11/12 (3), HLW 10/13 (3), HLW 11/13 (3), HLW 11/15 (2); AM 12/12, AM 10/15 Sphenura Camp [at] Wilson Inlet, AM 11/15, AM 10/16. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (2), Torbay; WAM 3/07 (7); 11/11 (2); HLW 10/15 (3), HLW 11/13 (3), HLW 11/15 (2); AM no date, Tudor [on] Denmark line.

Pardalotus punctatus SPOTTED PARDALOTE Specimen: WAM 3/07 (3); 2/10 (1), 3/10 (2); 5/10 (1), Denmark; HLW 11/10 (1), Torbay. One of these specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *P. p. whitlocki* (1912), a taxon no longer recognized. Details of two unusual nesting sites are provided in Whitlock (1911a).

Pardalotus striatus STRIATED PARDALOTE Specimen: 1/10 (1), 2/10 (2).

Dasyornis longirostris WESTERN BRISTLEBIRD MS: 3/07. Whitlock (1936) collected this, a female, which he speculated had been driven from the east by extensive fires at the end of summer 1906/07. He returned to the area in 11/07 and discovered an empty nest in an unburnt patch of vegetation. In 9/08 he found another nest, containing an infertile egg. This species was last recorded in the region in 1912 (caption to photograph in Whitlock 1936). Carter (in Whitley 1971) searched unsuccessfully for this species in 1919 and 1922 in the same area where Whitlock collected it. He noted that 'a good deal' of the coastal vegetation had been 'recently burnt off'. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1), -/07 (2).

Sericornis frontalis WHITE-BROWED SCRUBWREN MS:11/05, Torbay.

Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1), Torbay; 4/10 (2), 5/10 (2).

Gerygone fusca WESTERN GERYGONE Specimen: WAM 3/07 (2); 12/09 (1), 3/10 (1), 4/10 (2).

Acanthiza apicalis BROAD-TAILED THORNBILL MS: 9/06, eggs; 10/06, young. Egg: HLW 9/12 (2). Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 4/10 (12), 5/10 (3), 3/11 (1); 5/10 (2), Denmark; HLW -/11 (1), HLW 3/11 (5), HLW 4/11 (1).

 Acanthiza inornata
 WESTERN THORNBILL

 MS: 9 & 10/06, nesting in jarrah sapling 6 m above
 ground.

 Egg: HLW 11/10 (2), Torbay Hill; HLW 11/11 (3), HLW
 10/13 (3); AM 11/13, AM 1/16.

 Specimen: 12/08 (1), 11/09 (1), 12/09 (6), 1/10 (1), 3/10
 (2), 4/10 (4), 5/10 (5), 6/10 (1); 5/10 (2), Denmark; HLW

(2), 4/10 (4), 5/10 (5), 6/10 (1); 5/10 (2), Denmark; HLW 5/05 (1), HLW 5/09 (1), HLW 3/11 (2). Acanthiza chrysorrhoa YELLOW-RUMPED THORNBILL MS: 8/06, building nest, eggs. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 12/09 (2), 1/10 (1), 3/10 (1), 4/10 (1), 5/10 (2); HLW 3/11 (1), HLW 5/11 (2). One of these specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of A. c. multi (1912), a taxon no longer recognized.

Lichmera indistincta BROWN HONEYEATER Specimen: 5/10 (1), Denmark.

Meliphaga virescens SINGING HONEYEATER MS: 7/06 (1 male).

Melithreptus chloropsis

WESTERN WHITE-NAPED HONEYEATER MS: 12/05, juvenile male collected and misidentified as *M. brevirostris*. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (3); 12/08 (1), 12/09 (2), 2/10 (3),

3/10 (5), 4/10 (1), 5/10 (2); 5/10 (3), Denmark. One of Whitlock's specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *M. lunatus whitlocki* (1909), a taxon no longer recognized.

Phylidonyris novaehollandiae

NEW HOLLAND HONEYEATER

MS: 11/05, Torbay. Egg: HLW 12/05 (3); AM 11/15. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1), Torbay; WAM 3/07 (1); 3/10 (3), 4/10 (3); 5/10 (1), Denmark.

Phylidonyris melanops

TAWNY-CROWNED HONEYEATER Egg: WAM 10/11 (4); HLW 12/14 (3); AM 10/15. Specimen: 12/09 (1), 4/10 (3). One of Whitlock's specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *P. m. westernensis* (1912), a taxon no longer recognized.

Acanthorhynchus superciliosus WESTERN SPINEBILL Egg: HLW 11/13 (2); AM 11/16.

Specimen: 3/10 (1), 4/10 (9), 5/10 (4); 5/10 (2), Denmark. One of these specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *A. s. wilsoni* (1912), a taxon no longer accepted.

Anthochaera lunulata WESTERN LITTLE WATTLEBIRD MS: 12/05. Egg: AM 11/12. Specimen: 1/06 (1); WAM 3/07 (3).

Anthochaera carunculata REDWATTLEBIRD Egg: AM 7/12. Specimen: 3/10 (1).

Epthianura albifrons WHITE-FRONTED CHAT Specimen: 3/10 (2), 4/10 (1). One of these specimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of *E. a. westralensis* (1912), a taxon no longer regarded as valid.
 Petroica multicolor
 SCARLET ROBIN

 MS: 10/06 (eggs).
 Egg: HLW 10/06 (2); AM 11/15.

 Specimen: 4/10 (8), 5/10 (2), 6/10 (1).

 Eopsaltria australis
 YELLOW ROBIN

 MS: 12/06; 12/06, Torbay.
 Specimen: 12/09 (5), 1/10 (2), 2/10 (1), 4/10 (8), 5/10 (2);

 5/10 (2), Denmark.
 Specimen: 12/09 (5), 1/10 (2), 2/10 (1), 4/10 (8), 5/10 (2);

Eopsaltria georgiana WHITE-BREASTED ROBIN MS: 10/06 young on wing. Nest 5 m above ground; 11/06 (eggs). Specimen: 3/10 (1).

Daphoenositta chrysoptera VARIED SITTELLA Specimen: 1/10 (2), 2/10 (2), 3/10 (1), 4/10 (2), 5/10 (1); 5/10 (1) Denmark.

Falcunculus frontatusCRESTED SHRIKE-TITMS: no details.Specimen: WAM 2/06 (1).

 Pachycephala pectoralis
 GOLDEN WHISTLER

 MS: 10/06 nest; 11/06 eggs.
 Egg: HLW 12/10 (2) Torbay Hill; AM 11/15.

 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 2/10 (3), 3/10 (4), 4/10 (9); 3/05 (1) and 5/10 (1), Denmark.
 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 2/10 (3), 3/10 (4), 4/10 (9); 3/05 (1) and 5/10 (1), Denmark.

Pachycephala rufiventris RUFOUS WHISTLER Specimen: 4/10 (3).

 Colluricincla harmonica
 GREY SHRIKE-THRUSH

 Specimen: 5/09 (1), 12/09 (5), 1/10 (1), 2/10 (1), 5/10 (4),
 6/10 (2).

Myiagra inquieta RESTLESS FLYCATCHER Specimen: 2/10 (1), 4/10 (3).

 Rhipidura fuliginosa
 GREY FANTAIL

 Egg: AM 11/12, AM 12/13.
 Specimen: 12/09 (1), 3/10 (1), 4/10 (9), 5/10 (2), 6/10 (1), 10/11 (1).

Coracina novaehollandiae BLACK-FACED CUCKOO-SHRIKE MS: 11/06, 'carrying twigs'. Specimen: no details; this specimen from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the type of C. n. westralensis (1912), a taxon no longer recognized.

Artamus cyanopterus DUSKY WOODSWALLOW MS: 7/06. Egg: HLW 11/09 (4); WAM 10/18 (2). Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 4/10 (6), 5/10 (2), 6/10 (2).

 Strepera versicolor
 GREY CURRAWONG

 Specimen: 3/09 (2), 3/10 (1); HLW 3/12 (1), HLW 4/15 (2).

Anthus australisAUSTRALIAN PIPITMS: 10/06 eggs.Egg: WAM 10/19 (3).Specimen: 4/10 (2), 5/10 (1), 6/10 (1). One of thesespecimens from Wilson Inlet served Mathews as the typeof A. n. bilbali (1912), a taxon no longer recognized asvalid.

 Stagonopleura oculata
 RED-EARED FIRETAIL

 MS: 2/06.
 Egg: AM 10/15 (6); HLW 11/15.

 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (3); 4/10 (3); 5/10 (2), Denmark;

 HLW 11/10 (1) near West Cape Howe; HLW 11/12 (1).

Acrocephalus australis AUSTRALIAN REED WARBLER Specimen: HLW 2/17 (2).

 Megalurus gramineus
 LITTLE GRASSBIRD

 MS: 11/06. Details of habitat and nesting are provided in
 Whitlock (1912).

 Egg: HLW 10/11 (4), HLW 12/11 (4), HLW 12/12 (4),
 HLW 10/13 (3); AM 11/11, AM 12/11.

 Specimen: 1/11 (1); HLW 11/11 (2), HLW 12/11 (1).
 Specimen: 1/11 (1); HLW 11/11 (2), HLW 12/11 (1).

Cincloramphus cruralis BROWN SONGLARK Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1), Torbay.

Zosterops lateralis GREY-BREASTED WHITE-EYE MS: 12/06 eggs. Egg: HLW 11/10 (3), Torbay; HLW 11/10 (3), west of

Albany; AM 10/10, north of Albany. Specimen: 12/09 (3), 3/10 (1), 4/10 (7), 5/10 (1), 6/10 (1); HLW 11/10 (1), near Albany; HLW 11/10 (3) Lake William

[near Torbay]; HLW 11/10 (1), near West Cape Howe.

Waterbirds

Cygnus atratus BLACK SWAN Egg: HLW 10/12 (6).

Tadorna tadornoides AUSTRALIAN SHELDUCK MS: 9/06, Rabbit Island (flock).

Poliocephalus poliocephalus HOARY-HEADED GREBE MS: 5/06, 9/06.

Phalacrocorax melanoleucos

LITTLE PIED CORMORANT

MS: 9/06 (egg). Whitlock (1926) mentions that this species 'breeds in numbers within a quarter of a mile [400 m] of my late home'. Jackson (1912–13 unpublished diary) noted that this swamp was 'below' Whitlock's house.

Egg: HLW 9/13 (5), 'Nornalup Swamp [? = wetland near Nonalup Point], Wilson's Inlet'.

Nycticorax caledonicus RUFOUS NIGHT HERON Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1). Ixobrychus flavicollis Egg: WAM 11/12 (1).

Porzana pusilla BAILLON'S CRAKE Specimen: HLW 1/17 (1), HLW 2/17 (1).

Porzana tabuensisSPOTLESS CRAKEEgg: HLW 11/13 (4).Whitlock (1914) records nesting in3/05 near Torbay Junction [Elleker].Specimen: HLW 12/10 (1), near Albany; HLW 2/17 (4),HLW 3/17 (1).

Porphyrio porphyrioPURPLE SWAMPHENEgg: HLW 10/12 (4), near Albany. See also Whitlock(1914).Specimen: HLW 2/16 (1).

 Charadrius ruficapillus
 RED-CAPPED PLOVER

 MS: 7/06; 10/06 (egg).
 Egg: HLW 12/10 (2); WAM 12/10 (2).

 Specimen: 3/10 (1).
 Specimen: 3/10 (1).

Seabirds

Eudyptula minor LITTLE PENGUIN MS: 4/-, breeding on Rabbit Island.

Pterodroma macroptera GREAT-WINGED PETREL MS: 4/-, breeding on Rabbit Island.

Larus pacificus MS: 10/06 (immature). PACIFIC GULL

Larus novaehollandiae SILVER GULL MS: 12/06, Pelican Rock (eggs); 12/06, Murphys Rocks (egg). Neither of these localities is identified on modern maps.

Egg: HLW 12/06 (3), HLW 11/12 (3); AM 12/12.

Sterna caspiaCASPIAN TERNMS: 1/06; 10/06, Rabbit Island (egg); 12/06 MurphysRocks (egg); 12/06 Rabbit Rock.Egg: AM 12/10, Pelican Island in Wilson Inlet.Specimen: HLW 12/06 (2), near Albany; WAM 3/07 (1).

Sterna bergii MS: 1/07 Pelican Rock (addled egg). CRESTED TERN

 Sterna nereis
 FAIRY TERN

 MS: 11/06.
 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (2); 1/11 (1); HLW 12/12 (2).

Non-breeding waders

Limosa lapponica	BAR-TAILED GODWIT
Specimen: 11/11 (1).	

Tringa nebularia COMMON GREENSHANK MS: 8/06. Specimen: WAM 3/07 (2); 2/10 (1), 4/10 (1).

BLACK BITTERN

Tringa hypoleucos COMMON SANDPIPER MS: 9/06.

Tringa breviceps Specimen: 11/11 (2).

 Calidris ruficollis
 RED-NECKED STINT

 Specimen: WAM 3/07 (3); 3/09 (1), 5/09 (3), 1/11 (1).
 1/11 (1).

GREY-TAILED TATTLER

GREY PLOVER

Calidris acuminata SHARP-TAILED SANDPIPER Specimen: WAM 3/07 (1); 1/11 (1), 11/11 (2); HLW 11/12 (2).

Calidris ferruginea CURLEW SANDPIPER Specimen: 5/09 (2), 3/10 (3), 11/11 (1).

Pluvialis squatarola Specimen: 11/11 (1).

 Pluvialis fulva
 PACIFIC GOLDEN PLOVER

 Specimen: WAM 7/07 (1), Torbay; 11/11 (1); HLW 3/07 (1), HLW 3/17 (1).

Pluvialis dominicaAMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVERMS: 12/06.DOUBLE-BANDED PLOVER

Specimen: 3/10 (2). Charadrius rubricollis HOODED PLOVER MS: 12/05.

Specimen: 1/10 (2), Torbay. Another specimen, collected 11/10 at Torbay (Greenway 1978), served Mathews as the type of *C. r. torbayi* (1912), a taxon no longer recognized.

Landbird species considered to be present, though not recorded by Whitlock

With few exceptions, the species listed below were either recorded by others in the period 1889–1913 in or near the Denmark region or were presumably overlooked by Whitlock.

Landbirds

Dromaius novaehollandiae EMU Noted in 1899 3 miles [c. 5 km] east of Denmark (Hall 1902b) and in 1910 in karri forest near Denmark (Carter 1923).

Pandion haliaetusOSPREYNoted in 1905 at Wilson Inlet (Carter 1923).

Haliastur sphenurus WHISTLING KITE Noted once by S.W. Jackson in 1912 c. 40 km west of Wilson Inlet (Abbott 1998). Presumed to be present in the Denmark area in Whitlock's time.

Aquila morphnoidesLITTLE EAGLENoted by S.W. Jackson in 1913 c. 40 km west of WilsonInlet (Abbott 1998). Presumed to be present in theDenmark area in Whitlock's time.

Aquila audaxWEDGE-TAILED EAGLENoted by S.W. Jackson in 1912 c. 40 km west of WilsonInlet (Abbott 1998). Presumed to be present in theDenmark area in Whitlock's time.

Falco peregrinus PEREGRINE FALCON No records located, but presumed to be present in the Denmark area in Whitlock's time.

Cuculus pallidus PALLID CUCKOO Noted in 1899 and 1911 near Albany (Hall 1902a; Carter 1920, 1923). Presumed to be present in the Denmark area in Whitlock's time.

Cacomantis flabelliformis FAN-TAILED CUCKOO Nestling collected in 1899 at Denmark (Hall 1902a).

Ninox novaeseelandiae BOOBOOK OWL Recorded in 1899 at Denmark (Hall 1902b).

Todiramphus sanctus SACRED KINGFISHER Recorded by G. C. Shortridge at Chorkerup, 1/05 (Ogilvie-Grant 1909), and by S. W. Jackson at Denmark River and near Whitlock's house at Wilson Inlet, 2/13 (Abbott 1998).

Atrichornis clamosus NOISY SCRUB-BIRD Collected by A. J. Campbell in 1889 in karri forest near Torbay (Campbell 1890). J.T. Tunney also searched unsuccessfully for this species in his extensive travels in the south-west (letter in WA Museum archives dated 9 August 1900), particularly Denmark (29 June 1904) and Albany (15 December 1904, 29 March 1906). Relevant extracts from these letters are summarized in Appendix 2. E. B. Nicholls (1905) also searched without success for this species between February and June 1905.

Pomatostomus superciliosus

WHITE-BROWED BABBLER Hall (1902a) recorded a flock 'some six miles [c. 10 km] up the [Denmark] river from the town [Denmark]', in karri forest.

Rhipidura leucophrysWILLIE WAGTAILAlthough noted as not seen at Denmark or Albany in 1899(Hall 1902a), this species was recorded at Albany before1910 (Carter 1923) and by S. W. Jackson at Denmark, 2/13(Abbott 1998).

Corvus coronoides AUSTRALIAN RAVEN Recorded by S. W. Jackson near Whitlock's house at Wilson Inlet, 2/13 (Abbott 1998).

Hirundo neoxena WELCOME SWALLOW Recorded at Albany (breeding) in 1909 (Carter 1923) and by S. W. Jackson at Denmark, 2/13 (Abbott 1998).

Hirundo nigricans TREE MARTIN Recorded in 1899 at Denmark (Hall 1902a).

DISCUSSION

Changes in the avifauna since 1889

Parts of the area surveyed by Whitlock were examined by ornithologists in 1889, 1899, 1905, 1980 and 1986–1999 (Table 1). Before these bird lists can be used as a legitimate basis for examining changes in the landbird fauna, it is essential to decide which records represent vagrants, and evaluate whether failure to list any species indicates genuine absence or negligence in recording particular species. This procedure will eliminate any spurious instances of local extinction or local establishment ('pseudoturnover').

Whitlock recorded 65 landbird species and failed to record an additional 16 landbird species, nearly all of which were recorded by other contemporary ornithologists. Thus the landbird fauna in the period 1889–1919 comprised 81 species. Currently, 87 species of landbird occur in the Denmark region. Since 1889 four species appear to have become extinct locally and 10 species have colonized the region. This is similar to the Irwin Inlet– Broke Inlet–Mt Frankland region, *c.* 40 km west of Wilson Inlet, where two (possibly three) landbird species appear to have become extinct locally and 16 species have colonized (Abbott 1998).

The four landbird species that appear to have become locally extinct are *Burhinus grallarius* (Bush stonecurlew), *Pezoporus wallicus* (Ground parrot), *Atrichornis clamosus* (Noisy scrub-bird) and *Dasyornis longirostris* (Western bristlebird). *B. grallarius* is a ground-nesting species susceptible to predation by foxes (Storr 1991; Abbott 1999). *P. wallicus* is also a ground-nesting species and is susceptible to the effects of frequent burning (Burbidge *et al.* 1997). It has not been recorded in the region since 1913 (Serventy and Whittell 1976), though there are unsubstantiated reports in the period 1971–83 from Torbay (Watkins 1985). *A. clamosus* has not been recorded locally since 1889 (Campbell 1890). *D. longirostris* was last recorded in the area in 1912.

Atrichornis clamosus was probably already extinct in the Denmark area by the time Whitlock settled there, as the diligent collector J.T. Tunney searched for it unsuccessfully there. Nicholls (1905) also searched for it between Port Harding and Wilgie Hill in dense tea tree, dwarfed peppermint and other vegetation entangled with dodder, and karri undergrowth near where Campbell had obtained his specimen. This karri regrowth, being 15 years old, would have been about half way through the so-called juvenile phase (Bradshaw and Rayner 1997), thus consisting of c. 2000 stems per ha, c. 15 m tall, with dense thickets of fireweeds. If not locally extinct, A. clamosus may have occurred in only one or two small populations, as Abbott (1999) suggested that probably only five populations of this species occurred between Wilson Inlet and Torbay. These remnants, through bad luck, may have been overlooked by Tunney, Nicholls and Whitlock.

Seven bird species found in open country (woodland, parkland or pasture) appear to have been absent from the region (Fig. 1) in 1905–19, even though settlement was

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well advanced. These species are *Elanus caeruleus* (Black-shouldered kite), *Hamirostra isura* (Square-tailed kite), *Falco cenchroides* (Australian kestrel), *Tyto alba* (Barn owl), *Grallina cyanoleuca* (Magpie-lark), *Cracticus torquatus* (Grey butcherbird) and *C. tibicen* (Australian magpie).

One species, Dacelo novaeguineae (Laughing kookaburra), was introduced to WA and was first recorded in the Denmark area in 1927 (Storr 1991). Two other species, Ocyphaps lophotes (Crested pigeon) and Cacatua roseicapilla (Galah), did not originally occur in the South West Land Division (Storr 1991). Four other open country species (Circus assimilis Spotted harrier, Polytelis anthopeplus Regent parrot, Merops ornatus Rainbow beceater² and Lalage tricolor White-winged triller), although listed by WA Bird Notes (1985, No. 33, p. 3), WA Group RAOU (1994) or Birds Australia WA Group (1999), have apparently not yet established (L. Broadhurst³ personal communication). In addition, the population of Galahs in the region may have derived from escaped cagebirds (L. Broadhurst, personal communication). Indeed, a pair observed in 1999 were eastern Australian birds (R. Johnstone⁴ personal communication).

Because the status of six species in the Denmark area is unknown, they have not been listed in Table 1. Four of these species (Tyto novaehollandiae Masked owl, Eurostopodus argus Spotted nightjar, Psophodes nigrogularis Western whipbird, and Rallus pectoralis Lewin's rail) were not recorded there by Whitlock, contemporary ornithologists or later ornithologists. Although Ninox connivens (Barking owl) was heard or seen several times in jarrah forest in 1998 c. 8 km west of Redmond, on farmland adjacent to Redmond forest block (R. Walker⁵ personal communication), its presence requires confirmation by an experienced ornithologist. The Spotted nightjar was noted once by S. W. Jackson in 1912 c. 40 km west of Wilson Inlet (Abbott 1998). The claim that the Western whipbird occurred 'along the coast as far west as Denmark' (Smith 1977) has not been substantiated.

Last century *Cacatua pastinator* (Western Long-billed corella) was distributed extensively throughout south-west WA, excluding the karri and denser jarrah forests. It was recorded near Albany in the 1820s and 1830s (Nind 1831; Clark 1994), and extended north to near Lynton, Morawa and Mt Kenneth, north-west to Bridgetown (and down the Blackwood River to Nannup and Augusta), Lake Muir, Darkan and Toodyay, east to Lake Barlee, Merredin, Broomehill, Mongup, Bremer Bay and Esperance, and on the Swan Coastal Plain from Gingin to Busselton (Roe 1836; Austin 1855; Gregory and Gregory 1884; Curr 1886;

² Whitlock (1911b: 316) noted that this species occurred 'almost as far south as Mt. Barker...Though our coastal sand-hills would seem to present an attractive haunt to this species, I have only once met with it there. I refer, of course, to our south coast, east and west of Albany'. My interpretation of these remarks is that this species was only vagrant south of Mt Barker, and that it is unclear if the coastal record came from the area shown in Fig. 1.

³ Lola Broadhurst, Albany WA.

Ron Johnstone, Western Australian Museum, Perth WA.
 Dick Walker, Albany WA.

TABLE 1

Bird	species	recorded in	the	Denmark	region at	various	times	since	1889

Species	1889 Torbay	1899 Denmark- Torbay	1905 Torbay– Denmark– Wilson Inlet	1905 Chorkerup	1905–19 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay	1980 Mitchell River area	1986–99 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
LANDBIRDS							
Dromaius novaehollandiae		•			#		
Coturnix novaezelandiae					•	•	•
C. ypsilophora			٠		•		•
Pandion haliaetus					#		•
Elanus caeruleus							•
Hamirostra isura							•
Haliastur sphenurus						•	•
Accipiter fasciatus					•	(1 .	•
A. cirrocephalus							:
Aquila morphnoides							
A. audax Haliaeetus laucogaster							
Haliaeetus leucogaster Circus assimilis							
C. approximans							•
Falco berigora						•	
F. cenchroides							•
F. longipennis					•		•
F. peregrinus							•
Turnix varia							•
Burhinus grallarius					•		
Phaps chalcoptera					2	220	:
P. elegans					5	19 - 74	
Ocyphaps lophotes						2.	
Calyptorhynchus banksii C. baudinii							
Cacatua roseicapilla							
Glossopsitta porphyrocephala		•			•	٠	•
Polytelis anthopeplus							•
Platycercus zonarius		•	•		•	•	•
P. spurius		•	•		•	٠	•
P. icterotis		•	•		•	0.00	•
Veophema elegans					•	•	•
N. petrophila					•		•
Pezoporus wallicus		2					
Cuculus pallidus					#	•	•
Cacomantis flabelliformis		•			#		
Chrysococcyx basalis							•
C. lucidus							
V. novaeseelandiae							
Tyto alba Podargus strigoides							
Aegotheles cristatus							
Dacelo novaeguineae						(*)	•
Fodiramphus sanctus				•	#		•
Merops ornatus					1.22		•
Atrichornis clamosus	•						
Climacteris rufa		•	•		•		٠
Malurus splendens							•
M. elegans		•			•		•
Stipiturus malachurus				•			•
Pardalotus punctatus						0.87	•
? striatus							•
Dasyornis longirostris							

TABLE 1 (continued)

Species	1889 Torbay	1899 Denmark- Torbay	1905 - Torbay– Denmark– Wilson Inlet	1905 Chorkerup	1905–19 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay	1980 Mitchell River area	1986–99 Denmark- Wilson Inlet– Torbay
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Gerygone fusca		•			•		
Acanthiza apicalis		•			•	•	•
A. inornata					•		•
A. chrysorrhoa		٠		•	•	•	٠
Lichmera indistincta					•	•	•
Meliphaga virescens					٠		•
Melithreptus chloropsis		•		•	•	•	
Phylidonyris novaehollandiae							•
P. melanops	•				10		
Acanthorhynchus superciliosus	•	٠				•	•
Anthochaera lunulata					•		•
A. carunculata					•	٠	
Epthianura albifrons					•		•
Petroica multicolor		(1)				((•))	•
Eopsaltria australis	12	•			•	•	•
E. georgiana	•				•		•
Pomatostomus superciliosus		•			-		
Daphoenositta chrysoptera					•	•	
Falcunculus frontatus			12				
Pachycephala pectoralis		•	•		·	•	•
P. rufiventris		320	200	1.22		10 .	•
Colluricincla harmonica				•		•	
Myiagra inquieta		•		2		•	
Rhipidura fuliginosa		8 .6 5		•	•	20 0 0	
R. leucophrys					#	•	•
Grallina cyanoleuca		100			2		
Coracina novaehollandiae		•				•	.*
Lalage tricolor							•
Artamus cyanopterus					•		
Cracticus torquatus							<u>.</u>
C. tibicen		100		2	2		
Strepera versicolor				•			
Corvus coronoides					#	•	
Anthus australis		826		2	•		
Stagonopleura oculata				75		2.5	
Acrocephalus australis							
Megalurus gramineus					•		
Hirundo neoxena					#		<u>.</u>
H. nigricans					#		-
Cincloramphus cruralis							87.0 1990
Zosterops lateralis							
WATERBIRDS							
Oxyura australis			٠				•
Biziura lobata			•				٠
Cygnus atratus			٠		•		•
Tadorna tadornoides					•		٠
Chenonetta jubata							•)
Anas gracilis							•
A. castanea							•
A. superciliosa			٠			٠	٠
A. rhynchotis							٠
Malacorhynchus membranaceus							٠
Aythya australis							
Tachybaptus novaehollandiae							
Poliocephalus poliocephalus					•		•
Podiceps cristatus							•
Anhinga melanogaster							

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Species	1889 Torbay	1899 Denmark– Torbay	1905 Torbay– Denmark– Wilson Inlet	1905 Chorkerup	1905–19 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay	1980 Mitchell River area	1986–99 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Phalacrocorax carbo							
P. sulcirostris							•
P. melanoleucos						•	٠
Pelecanus conspicillatus							3 .
Ardea pacifica							•
A. novaehollandiae A. alba							•
A. garzetta							•
A. sacra							
A. ibis							٠
Nycticorax caledonicus					٠		٠
xobrychus minutus							
. flavicollis					6 9 0		
Botaurus poiciloptilus							
Threskiornis aethiopicus T. spinicollis							
Platalea regia							
P. flavipes							٠
Gallirallus philippensis							•
Porzana pusilla					•		
? fluminea							•
P. tabuensis							
Porphyrio porphyrio Gallinula ventralis							
G. tenebrosa							•
Fulica atra							٠
Haematopus longirostris							•
H. fuliginosus							
Himantopus himantopus							•
Cladorhynchus leucocephalus			11				
Recurvirostra novaehollandiae Vanellus tricolor							
Charadrius ruficapillus							
C. melanops							٠
C. rubricollis					•		
Erythrogonys cinctus							٠
Sterna hybrida							
SEABIRDS					525		
Eudyptula minor					:		
Pterodroma macroptera					20		
Puffinus carneipes Phalacrocorax varius							
Larus pacificus					•		
L. novaehollandiae					٠		٠
Sterna caspia					•		٠
S. bergii					•		10. 10.
S. nereis					.•		
WADERS (non-breeding visito	rs)						
limosa limosa							
lapponica					•		
Numenius madagascariensis							
Tringa stagnatilis T. nebularia							

TABLE 1 (continued)

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Species	1889 Torbay	1899 Denmark– Torbay	1905 Torbay– Denmark– Wilson Inlet	1905 Chorkerup	1905–19 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay	1980 Mitchell River area	1986–99 Denmark– Wilson Inlet– Torbay
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
T. hypoleucos					•		ंड
T. brevipes					•		
Arenaria interpres							•
Calidris canutus							
C. tenuirostris							•
C. alba							•
C. ruficollis					•		•
C. subminuta							•
C. acuminata					•		•
C. ferruginea					•		•
Limicola falcinellus							•
Pluvialis squatarola					•		•
P. fulva					•		•
P. dominica					•		•
Charadrius bicinctus					•		•
C. leschenaultii							•

(1) October 1889, based at Millar's Torbay karri timber mill. Campbell (1890, 1900).

(2) September – November 1899, 3 miles [c. 5 km] east of Denmark, Denmark, Denmark River, between Albany and Denmark. Hall (1902a, b).

(3) February-June 1905. Torbay, Denmark and Wilson Inlet. (Nicholls 1905).

(4) January 1905. Chorkerup. Ogilvie-Grant (1909).

(5) This paper. Contemporaneous records of species not collected by Whitlock but recorded in the Denmark region by Jackson and Carter are marked #

(6) Autumn 1980. Mitchell River c. 10-20 km inland from Wilson Inlet. Christensen et al. (1985).

(7) Western Australian Bird Notes No. 38 onwards (1986–99); Jaensch et al. (1988) for Grasmere Lake; EPA (1988) for Wilson Inlet; Storr (1991); WA Group RAOU (1994); Birds Australia WA Group (1999) (A. H. Burbidge, personal communication). Non-breeding seabirds have not been listed. The presence of Hylacola cauta, Calamanthus fuliginosus, Microeca fascinans, Hirundo ariel and Cincloramphus mathewsi requires confirmation before these species should be listed. Taunton 1903; Bates unpublished6; North 1912; Abbott 1999). Outside the breeding season this species visited the coastal plain west of Point D'Entrecasteaux (Abbott 1999). There is no evidence, however, that this species was present near Wilson Inlet. Early observers noted that Western Long-billed corellas were most numerous 'not far from water' and 'on the best lands' (TWH 1833, p. 211) and that 'Where these birds are found, the traveller in the bush may generally rely upon finding water' (Moore 1884, p. 50). West of Albany this species should thus have occurred near the Denmark, Hay and Sleeman Rivers. Neither Wilson in December 1829 nor Barker in February 1830 mention the species there (Wilson 1835, pp. 236-271). Wilson, however, was clearly aware of the species as he provided the King George Sound Aboriginal name for LManiet (Wilson 1835, p. 322).

It seems likely that one species of waterbird, Ixobrychus flavicollis (Black bittern), is now extinct in the Denmark region. Some waterbird species now present in farm dams or pastures in the Denmark region did not occur or were only vagrant in the south-west in the early days of European settlement. These include Chenonetta jubata (Australian wood duck), Malacorhynchus membranaceus (Pink-eared duck), Poliocephalus poliocephalus (Hoaryheaded grebe), Podiceps cristatus (Great crested grebe), Ardea alba (Great egret), Threskiornis aethiopicus (Sacred ibis), T. spinicollis (Straw-necked ibis), Platalea regia (Royal spoonbill), P. flaviceps (Yellow-billed spoonbill), Gallirallus philippensis (Buff-breasted rail), and Gallinula tenebrosa (Dusky moorhen).

Hall (1902b, p.168) mentions an apparent hearsay report of 'Wedge-tailed Petrels, *Puffinus chlororhynchus*' [now known as *P. pacificus*] nesting in November on 'a small island at the entrance to the Denmark River (Lake Wilson)...about 30 miles [48 km] from Denmark and about 20 miles [32 km] from Albany...'. Although the locational information provided is self-contradictory, Hall is evidently referring to a nesting population of *Puffinus carneipes* (Fleshy-footed shearwater) on Shelter [Muttonbird] Island and the adjacent mainland in Torbay (Storr 1991).

The list of visiting (non-breeding) waders should not be regarded as complete. One species, *Limosa limosa* (Blacktailed godwit), was not recorded in the South West Land Division until after Whitlock's era. Storr's (1991) claim that *Limosa lapponica* (Bar-tailed godwit) was not recorded in the South West Land Division until 1931 is incorrect as it overlooks a specimen collected by Whitlock in 1911.

Most of the remaining species not listed by Whitlock were probably simply missed because they were vagrants, irregular visitors, rare or highly localized residents, cryptic, or just too common or uninteresting to merit the trouble of collecting them. Judged by the paucity of museum specimens (see Table 1), Whitlock appears to have put little effort into collecting waterbirds. Perhaps he only collected waterbirds occurring on the wetland within 400 m of his residence.

⁶ Aboriginal vocabularies collected under the authority of the Western Australian Government in 1904 for Daisy Bates, now lodged with her papers in the National Library of Australia, Canberra.

Changes in the environment since 1840

The Denmark region has experienced extensive anthropogenic change since 1907-19. The most dramatic has been deforestation in order to promote agricultural development (Fig. 1). Wildfires, caused by increased fuel loads following reduced Aboriginal fire management in the period 1860-90 as well as the clearing burns of the new settlers, should have become more frequent. The last full blood Aborigine in the Torbay and Denmark district died about 1909 (Bates 1985, p. 51), though until the 1920s a group of Aborigines from inland visited the coastal areas and burnt patches of vegetation (D. Wolfe⁷ personal communication). The rabbit and red fox arrived from eastern Australia in c. 1926 and c. 1930 respectively (Long 1988). Logging commenced in State forest (shown in the north-west sector of Fig. 1) in the 1950s and has continued to the 1980s.

Europeans (the Young family) first settled the region in the 1840s, near the eastern edge of Wilson Inlet, apparently because there was no karri forest to clear there (Denmark Historical Society 1995). At first the rate of clearing was slow - a family took one year to deforest 5 acres [2 ha] (Conochie 1989). From the 1840s horses, cattle and sheep were grazed in the region. Graziers from Tenterden used the coastal part of the region (then a commonage but now reserved as national park) for the depasturing of cattle in summer, when the inland pastures dried off. Coastal areas received summer rainfall and thus offered nutritious feed. Graziers adjacent to the coast also grazed their sheep there briefly each summer, until the end of the 1960s (D. Coombe⁸ personal communication). Graziers burnt the coastal vegetation after the first rains of autumn or in early spring, in patches of c. 50 ha, to provide green pick later in the year (D. Coombe, personal communication).

Although intense fires presumably escaped from the clearing burns as part of the agricultural development of the region, intense fires did occur before settlement, as evidenced by the following eyewitness accounts: 'the loftiest timbers had the topmost of their branches burned' near King George Sound in 1791 (Lamb 1984, p. 355); an extensive forest crownfire driven by a strong easterly wind on 1 February 1818 was visible from sea at night north of West Cape Howe (Hordern 1997, p. 68); and 'the fire spreads with astonishing rapidity, reaching to the highest branches and charring the trees all over, so you return from a walk in the bush completely blackened' (Quoy in October 1826 at King George Sound; see Rosenman 1987, p. 47).

Studies of Aboriginal burning in the period 1750-1829in jarrah forest well to the west of Wilson Inlet indicate that only c. 5 per cent of all fires recurred once in 10 years (Ward and Van Didden 1997). Fires at this relatively low frequency (the lowest recorded) are presumed to have been the most intense. Most burning by Aborigines took place in January and February, whereas fires started by lightning peak in December (Appendix 3).

⁷ Des Wolfe, Kronkup WA.

⁸ Dennis Coombe, Kronkup WA.

Relevant here is the fact that in southern jarrah forest, the soil dryness index (SDI) first exceeds 1200 in mid December, whereas in karri forest, SDI first exceeds 1200 in February (Burrows 1987). Even above this threshold, however, a great variety of fire intensities is possible, with an 'extreme' fire danger rating (the highest) on 2 per cent of days. On 54 per cent of days the fire danger rating is either 'very low' or 'low' (Burrows 1987). A fire danger rating of 'moderate' occurred on 22 per cent of days and is considered to be ideal for prescribed burning for fuel reduction. Because the purpose of Aboriginal burning was not fuel reduction but capture of game, they may have set fires on days of 'high', 'very high' and 'extreme' fire danger: 24 per cent of days with SDI > 1200.

In October 1912 Jackson (unpublished diary) noted that the country near the Torbay railway line had 'changed considerably owing to settlement all about, and numerous bushfires year after year when selectors were clearing the land for cultivation'. Similar observations about extensive fires were recorded by Whitlock and Carter (see *Dasyornis longirostris* in the species list above). In February 1913 Jackson recorded that black peat swamps had been converted to 'fine crops of potatoes'. Hosking and Burvill (1938) provided detailed information about agricultural utilization west of Denmark; this appears generalizable to the area immediately east of Wilson Inlet. After the Great War agricultural activity increased further following release of land to soldier settlers (CALM 1995).

Figure 1 indicates that c. 60 per cent of the area mapped is not under public ownership via CALM. Recent aerial photographs (1:25 000) taken in colour in October 1997 or January 1998 reveal that c. 80 per cent of this non-CALM managed land has been cleared for agriculture, with most of the remnants of native vegetation small and widely separated. However, with the large area of State forest to the north-west, West Cape Howe National Park to the south, and the smaller Down and Lake Powell Nature Reserves to the east, the avifauna of the region appears to be secure from further habitat loss.

Given that intense fires occurred in the region before European settlement (as detailed above), how did the firesensitive species Pezoporus wallicus, Atrichornis clamosus and Dasyornis longirostris manage to persist until late last century or early this century? Several explanations appear possible. First, widespread Aboriginal use of fire should have restricted these species to refuges in higher rainfall areas naturally protected from frequent burning, namely vegetation along higher order streams (Abbott 1999, p. 71), vegetation on steep south-facing slopes (Abbott 1999, p. 23), and vegetation surrounded by large expanses of sheet rock (Smith 1977). Second, intense (crown-scorching) fires may have occurred sufficiently infrequently to allow recolonization of burnt habitat from unburnt patches. Third, all three species were known to Aborigines, as evidenced by their Noongar names having been recorded at Albany (Serventy and Whittell 1976). If these species had totemic significance, local Aborigines with custody of totemic sites may have burned around the habitats of these species with frequent, low intensity (early spring, late autumn or early winter) fires, much as Aborigines in

Arnhem Land protect rainforest patches from destructive wildfires (Haynes 1991). Hammond (1933) refers to Aborigines in south-western Australia burning breaks around vegetation in order to secure the supply of berries, without specifying the locality.

Contemporary evidence of patch burning by Aborigines near King George Sound was first published by Nind (1831, p. 28), who noted 'The violence of the fire is frequently very great, and extends over many miles of country; but this is generally guarded against by their burning it in consecutive portions'. Patch burning was also recorded in a 274.5 cm x 18 cm hand coloured etching and aquatint of a panorama from Mt Clarence (Dale 1834) and by an eyewitness account in November 1840 (Stokes 1846, p. 228). There is a wealth of published and unpublished information (Appendix 1) describing patch burning at scales of c. 10–2000 ha, burning at the hottest time of the day, multiple ignitions on the same day, and burning under windy conditions.

Recent studies of the fire ecology of Atrichornis clamosus, Dasyornis longirostris and Pezoporus wallicus along the southern coast of WA confirm that frequent burning is detrimental to the long-term persistence of these species. A. clamosus requires a period of 4-10 years before vegetation is suitable for successful breeding (Smith 1985a). In wetter gullies this period is 4-6 years, whereas in drier areas up to 10 years is needed before regeneration is suitable (Smith 1985b). Heath may become suitable (c. 1-1.5 m tall) for D. longirostris 3 years after fire in higher rainfall areas, whereas in drier areas it may take 5-10 years (Smith 1985a; McNee and Newbey 1998). P. wallicus appears to be able to utilize heath c. 0.5 m tall (in drier areas) 7 years after fire (Burbidge 1998). It needs to be emphasized that these rates of recolonization would be reduced if source populations were distant from recently burnt areas. Clearly, given the widespread use of fire made by Aborigines at the hottest time of the year, the conjunction of suitable vegetation next to a source population is considered unlikely to have been satisfied, except in sites naturally protected from frequent burning.

FURTHER RESEARCH

Because the Denmark region of south-west WA has an historically well documented avifauna, relative to other parts of WA, this baseline information could be used to monitor ongoing environmental change. Current ornithological activity there could be focused on developing a regional atlas showing the location of all records of bird species once every 10 years. A small subset of species selected as indicators of environmental change could be monitored annually.

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APPENDIX 1

Summary of remarks about Aboriginal usage of fire near King George Sound in the period 1791 to 1840. Note: KGS = King George Sound; PRH = Princess Royal Harbour. Any mis-spellings are as in the original documents. Explanatory interpolations by me are indicated by brackets and omissions of irrelevant material are indicated by the conventional ellipsis dots.

REMARKS	IMPLICATION	REFERENCE
Vancouver 27 September – 11 October 1791		
we could no where perceive any smoke' [between Point Nuyts and Irwin Inlet]	No burning by Aborigines in September or October (frequent rains before or during this period would prevent burning)	Lamb 1984, vol. 1, p. 334
the vegetation had recently undergone the action of fire; the largest of the trees had been burnt, though slightly; every shrub had some of its branches completely charred; and the plants ying close to the ground had not escaped without injury' [western shore of KGS].	Burning in previous summer Partial crown scorch indicative of low intensity fire	p. 336
This spot was intersected with several small streams of water, yet the same marks of fire were evident on all the vegetable kingdom his general fire was of a less recent date' south-west shore of PRH].	Riparian areas burnt, but not in previous summer	p. 339
the same effects of fire were evident' between Oyster Harbour and Mt Gardner]	Extensive burning	p. 341
nor were any smokes to be seen over the extensive country we beheld' [Kalgan R]	No burning by Aborigines in September/ October in drier sector of region	p. 353
The larger trees in the vicinity of both villages nad been hollowed out by fire'	Some past fires intense (e.g. one intense fire preceded or followed by many low intensity fires)	p. 355
the very extraordinary devastation by fire, which the vegetable productions had suffered hroughout the whole country we had traversed'.	Extensive burning in dry season	p. 355
in our excursion on Shore, we did not see a spot that produced any vegetables [plants], which had not visibly felt its [fire's] effects. Where the country was well wooded, the oftiest timbers had the topmost of their oranches burned.'	Aboriginal burning extensive and sufficiently intense to scorch crowns of forest trees	p. 355
Menzies 27 September – 11 October 1791		
the place [near Point Possession] had been recently burnt down here & there, particularly about the stems of the Gum Plant (Xanthorrhoea preissii] which bore its marks more than any other'	Patch burning in previous summer	Menzies 1791, folio 44
There were but few places [Flinders Peninsula] I travelled over this day but which bore evident marks of having been set on fire, especially round the stems of the Gum plants over all the low ground but those near the top of the hills had escapd the general conflagration'	Spatially extensive burning; hill tops (?with expanses of granite rock) not recently burnt	Folio 46

'We traced this brook [bay near Gull Rock] some way up the valley from which it issued a task of no little labor on account of the density and luxuriancy of its crop of brush wood & long grass which made it difficult to penetrate'	Riparian habitat not recently burnt (depending on soil and moisture, <i>perhaps</i> burnt 3–4 years previously given the presence of thick grass)	Folios 46–47
"covered with a variety of low and shrubby vegetables [plants] but by no means so thick as made it any ways difficult to travel through. After thissome swampy ground with long grass but interspersed with scrubby trees much weather beat which obligd us to descend to the sea side & pursue our course' [east of Oyster Harbour]	Vegetation recently burnt [indicated by easy walking], except on swampy ground (thickets) [difficult walking]	Folio 47
'for travelling now appears more difficult if not wholly impracticable for the country along there [coast east of Oyster Harbour] being so thickly covered with underwood & scattered over with trees'	Patch of vegetation not recently burnt	Folio 48
"the difficulties we encountered in penetrating the woods [c. 1 mile east of entrance to Oyster Harbour] in many places on account of their density"	Ditto	Folio 49
'though trees & bushes were scattered over it, yet they were not apparently so thick as to form any obstruction to our investigation' [north-east shore of Oyster Harbour]	Recently burnt vegetation [indicated by easy walking]	Folio 50
'entered a very thick wood not easily penetrated' [Kalgan R]	Riparian vegetation not recently burnt	Folio 50
'we wandered over meadows & pastures whose crop of grass reached up to our middles' [north shore of Oyster Harbour]	Vegetation not burnt previous summer	Folio 50
"the interior part of it [Mistaken Island, occasionally accessible on foot from mainland] had been lately burnt down but the skirts of it were covered with a luxuriant crop of grass'	Grass an indication of absence of fire in the pevious summer	Folio 51
'Many of the stems of the trees bore evident marks of fire, some were even hollowed out by it' [south side of PRH]	Signs of extensive burning, some intense enough to have caused hollow butts	Folio 53
'a thick wood chiefly composed of the <u>Eucalyptus obliqua</u> [E. marginata]without any underwood to obstruct our progressand many of [these trees] had the marks of fire round their bottoms' [Kalgan R]	Recently burnt forest	Folio 54
'we seldom met these trees or the other gum plants any where about the Sound without observing their stems burnt or scorchd with fire'	Most of the landscape showing evidence of having been burnt	Folio 54
'it was strewed over with scrubby bushes & small shrubs which however were not so thick as to impede us much in our progress' [south side of PRH]	Vegetation opened up by recent fire, as indicated by easy walking	Folio 56
'Several places about this village [a collection of aboriginal huts] seemd to have been very recently burnt down & destroyd by fire, many of the larger trees had been scorchd by it' [south side PRH]	Recent fire sufficiently intense to have scorched crowns of tall trees	Folio 57

"the general conflagration of the country"	Widespread use of fire	Folio 61
'why should we meet so frequently the Gum plant & Eucalyptus obliqua with the appearance of fire round their stems'	Blackened stems frequent, indicating spatially extensive use of fire	Folio 61
'The frequent marks of fire & general burnt state of the country every where around the Sound'	Spatially extensive fire	Folio 61
'they [Aborigines] make frequent fires round the plants& when these happen to be kindled any wise among rank grass & bushes in a dry season it is easy to conceive in a climate like this with what rapidity & devastation it spreads over a considerable tract until its progress is interrupted by some intervening cause'	Hypothesis linking Aborigines and climate to the extensive signs seen of fire	Folios 62–63
Flinders 8 December 1801 – 5 January 1802		
'the first smoke seen upon this coast' [near Point Irwin, travelling east from Cape Leeuwin]	Burning in early summer	Flinders 1814, vol. 1, p. 52
'Marks of the country being inhabited were found everywhere' [eastern shore of PRH]	Extensive recent burning by Aborigines	p. 57
'Some smokesperceived at the head of the harbour' [north-west shore of PRH]	Burning in summer	p. 57
Good 8 December 1801 – 5 January 1802		
'we found it very troublesome walking in thick brush wood and long grass 5 or 6 feet high' [Kalgan R]	Riparian zone not recently burnt	Edwards 1981, p. 49
'we traced this River [near Torbay] a considerable time walking among large Trees and excessive brush wood 5 or 6 feet high with frequent Morasses'	Riparian zone not recently burnt (?burnt 3–4 or more years previously)	p. 50
Baudin & Freycinet 13 February – 1 March 1803		
'From where we were on the hills [near Oyster Harbour] we had seen some very dense smoke, but it was too far away'	Aboriginal burning in late summer	Cornell 1974, p. 486
'Everywhere we went [banks of Kalgari R] we saw traces of fire'	Aboriginal burning extensive; not even riparian vegetation escaping firing	p. 487
'At the foot of a high range of inland mountains running from North to South [Porongurup Range], we saw many separate columns of smoke'	Extensive burning in late summer, with numerous individual fires	p. 487
'During the afternoon we saw several columns of smoke' [mainland north of Eclipse Island]	Burning at hottest part of the day in late summer	p. 495
…et les végétaux si multipliés sur ses bords [of the Kalgan R], qu'il étoit presque impossible de la remonter plus avant'	Some riparian thickets not recently burnt	Péron & Freycinet 1816, vol. 2, pp. 151–152

Cunningham 20 January – 1 February 1818		
'Several new Smokes, issuing from the woods, above the Trees, indicate the presence of natives'	Burning in summer	Cunningham 1818, folio 235 (26 January)
'The Natives who (from their fires) appear to be all around uswe observed this aftn. their fresh fires, lighted among the Trees, near the Beach'	Burning in hottest part of the day in late summer	Folio 235 (27 January)
'the whole Side of the Harbour [PRH] being recently fired by NativesAscending to the Highest Point of the Hill, through a considerable tract of BurntBrushwood'	Scale of burning ?50–100 ha	Folio 273 (31 January)
'The Hills overlooking those, of the Immediate Coast [west of KGS] were one grand blaze of Fire; having been kindled by the aborigines. Its running course before the wind, illuminating all around these [?sterile] Elevations, had a brilliant Effect [observation made at night from ship]	Scale of burning ?many hundreds of hectares. Fire at night.	Folio 238 (1 February)
King 23 December 1821 – 6 January 1822		
'The stem of the <i>casuarina</i> , on which the [HMS] Mermaid's name and date of our visit had been carved, was almost destroyed by fire'	Area burned since February 1818 [i.e. within the previous 3 years]	King 1827, vol. 2, p. 123
Cunningham 23 December 1821 – 6 January 1822		
Nine aborigines on rocks of the south point of the entrance to PRH [Point Possession] 'having fired the thick brushwood about them on the declivities of the Hill'	Scale of burning ?tens of hectares	Cunningham 1821, folio 199 (24 December)
'the smokes of several families of Natives being remark'd at the foot of the Range' [west of Oyster Harbour]	Multiple ignitions	Folio 203 (26 December)
D'Urville, Quoy & Gaimard 7 – 25 October 1826		
The aborigines 'carry these burning [Banksia] cones everywhere with themmak[ing] use	Source of ignition always readily available	Rosenman 1987, p. 30
of their cones to set fire to the undergrowth and the dry grass as they pass through. In general, this is what makes theseforests so open and easy of access'. [d'Urville]	Little undergrowth present as a result of frequent burning	
[On the left bank of the Kalgan R c. 8 km north of its confluence with Oyster Harbour] 'the ground is thickly covered with undergrowth and especially by tall ferns with interlacing branches that completely obstruct your passage'. 'On the right-hand side of the river the bush is criss-crossed by narrow well-beaten paths'. [d'Urville]	Riparian area not recently burnt	p. 36
They also use [smouldering dry Banksia cones] to quickly set alight to the area through which they	Source of ignition always available	pp. 43–44
are passing and mostly, it seems, for no reason at all; they do this with a nimbleness and speed	Fires started casually	
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that we would be hard put to emulate. So this whole stretch of country is so burned that one cannot walk anywhere without getting black all over. The tall trees are charred right up to their tips, while the undergrowth is dead and only straggly stalks are left' [Quoy & Gaimard]	Undergrowth extensively burnt Complete crown scorch (and thus moderate intensity fire) not unusual	
'The forests appear to have only eucalypts, several of which are enormous, but all appear to be suffering to some extent from the native habit of starting fires wherever they pass through.	Extensive burning	p. 47
And as nearly all these trees are resinousthe fire spreads with astonishing rapidity, reaching to the highest branches and charring the tree all over, so you return from a walk in the bush	Complete crown scorch not unusual	
completely blackened' [Quoy]	Undergrowth extensively burned	
[The Aborigines] 'manifested their presence in the usual way, by setting alight to the undergrowth' [Quoy]	Eyewitness evidence of burning in spring	p. 48
Lockyer 25 December 1826 – 3 April 1827		
'a large fire was now burning at the head of the Harbour [PRH], and shortly after we saw a very large smoke about ten miles [16 km] on the Hills to the South west' [22 January, near Torbay]	Burning in summer On one day in midsummer, two large fires visible	Lockyer 1827, p. 465
'Yesterday was counted twelve large smokes or fires at the back of the encampment [between Mt Melville and Mt Clarence] about two miles apart, forming a complete semicircle' [22 January]	Spatially extensive burning on one day in midsummer	p. 471
'The Natives keep up a large smoke in the Country round us from Mount Gardner to West Cape Howe, and from the number of Fires, if we may be allowed to judge from that, the Country must be very numerously peopled' [28 January]	Daily burning in midsummer extensive at regional scale	p. 493
'Made a course due North through the Country [near Kalgan R]walking is not at all difficult through the Country' [13 February]	Burning spatially extensive and recent	р. 495
Nind 25 December 1826 – October 1829		
'Every individual of the tribe, when travelling or going to a distance from their encampment, carries a fire-stick, for the purpose of kindling fires'	Ready availability of source of ignition	Nind 1831, p. 26
"the presence of the owner of the ground is considered necessary when they fire the country for game"	Evidence of tenural basis for use of fire	p. 28
[In summer] 'they procure the greatest abundance of game. It is done by setting fire to the underwood and grass, which being dry, is rapidly burnt'	Summer burning to capture large animal food	p. 28
'The violence of the fire is frequently very great, and extends over many miles of country; but this is generally guarded against by their burning it in consecutive portions'	Fire often intense, and spatially extensive, with scale of patchiness apparently tens to hundreds, possibly one to two thousands, of hectares; indication of a deliberate and planned operation, creating a mosaic of pyric vegetation succession	p. 28

'larger firings for kangaroos, or walloby'	Extensive battues to drive large mammals p. 28 towards slaughtering points	
'About Christmas they commence firing the country for game'	Summer burning the norm	p. 36
[Women] 'carry a fire-stickand, in the burning season, set fire to the ground by themselves'	Capture of small animals (lizards, snakes, small mammals) involving localized patch burns in summer	pp. 36–37
Barker 3 December 1829 – 26 March 1831		
'Kangarookilled by the fires' (22 January 1830)	Using fire to capture mobile animals	Mulvaney & Green 1992, p. 250
'Bad walking for an hour through unburnt wood' (c. 4 hours' walking west of Albany, north of Torbay Inlet, 3 February 1830)	Existence of sizeable unburnt vegetation patch, not recently burnt, in wetter country	p. 255
'walking through the thick brush' [east of Wilson Inlet, 4 February 1830]	Ditto	р. 255
'smoke 154°' [SSE from mouth of Sleeman R, no distance stated, 4 February 1830]	One fire, late morning in summer	p. 256
'Very thick brush (Wattle, etc)' [north of junction of Hay R with Wilson Inlet, 4 February 1830]	Karri forest not recently burnt	p. 257
'very good ground burnt' [c. 5 km north of Wilson Inlet near Denmark R, 6 February 1830]	Recent fire	p. 260
'Very thick underwood on both banks [of Denmark R, south of Mt Lindesay]' (February 1830)	Riparian zone in karri forest not recently burnt (?burnt 4–15 years previously	p. 260
'Blacks burn for Wallabi' [several km SE of Mt Lindesay, noon, 7 February 1830]	Burning at midday	p. 262
'Brush on the left' [near Hay R, 8 February 1830]	Patch of vegetation not recently burnt	p. 272
'thick brush' [near entrance to Oyster Harbour, 25 February 1830]	Ditto	p. 266
'Wood was so thick near the rivulet it was difficult to get to it [karri forest at Big Grove on south shore of PRH, 10 March 1830]	Riparian vegetation not recently burnt	p. 272
'Examined the wood [karri forest at Big Grove] but it is very difficult to get through from the thickness of the underwood' (March 1830)	Isolated patch of karri forest not recently burnt	p. 276
Aborigines 'intended firing the bush on the opposite side [of PRH]' (11 April 1830). 'It is their fire we seenear the top of a hill' (14 April)	Autumn burning	p. 280
'Large fires last night & today' (14 April 1830)	Spatially extensive burning at night, in autumn	p. 281
'Steep & difficult from the precipitous rocks and thick bush between them with accumulation of dead woodDescended by the valley very slowly in consequence of the thick brush' [Michaelmas Island, May 1830, not accessible to Aborigines]	Long unburnt vegetation virtually impenetrable	p. 290
Aborigines 'are unable to kindle [fire] at this time of year [August 1830] & if their fire goes out,	Burning in winter unlikely (or very patchy)	p. 321

must go without till they are lucky enough to meet with it from their friends' [Yanungup, an island in the Kalgan R] 'Not being Burned country the norm in this district p. 353 accessable to the natives, it was unburnt ... vegetation was luxuriant' (12 November 1830) 'Their fires seen by me yesterday [southern Several fires on one day in summer p. 377 side of Porongurup Range, 2 January 1831] Aborigines set off to the bush to burn for wallaby, Extensive summer burning the norm p. 378 'which they begin on the grand scale tomorrow' (4 January 1831) 'Much burning in different parts. One fire on the Extensive burning in summer. No pp. 378-379 top of a mount under Mount Gardener' (7 January position in the landscape exempt from 1831) burning 'No Wallabi had yet been taken in their burning, Burning to capture game p. 379 only some Paddy melons' [?quokkas, near Undiup, west of Torbay Inlet, 10 January 1831] ...men who were burning for Wallabi' [10 January Ditto p. 380 1831] Aborigines planned 'to burn for Wallabi at Bald Summer burning p. 382 Head' (13 January 1831) 'Large fires...on M.S. hill' [Quarantine Hill on Spatially extensive burning p. 385 Vancouver Peninsula, 19 January 1831] 'A large fire at Narinyup about noon...afterwards... Burning late morning, afternoon, and p. 386 there appeared a smoke near the sawyer's wood into the night [Big Grove]." Fires brilliant at night on hill' (21 & 22 January 1831) 'Great fires at Bald Head' (23 January 1831) Spatially extensive burning on p. 387 Flinders Peninsula 'thick bush' [along coast between Pt Nuyts and Extensive tract of vegetation not p. 393 KGS]' recently burnt 'He pointed out their fires (smoke) at Several fires visible on one day late p. 399 Oongarup & Copongerup, on this side of the in summer Right hand part of the Porongerup range' (13 February 1831) 'Abundance of smoke in the line of King's river Several fires visible on one day p. 401 & beyond...some at a very great distance in summer towards Oorangaddak' (17 February 1831) 'Numerous fires near Porrongerup' Extensive burning in late summer p. 404 (27 February 1831) Collie March 1831 - ?November 1832 Importance of fire in Aboriginal ecology Collie 1834 (p. 71 of 'I am not aware that any race of savages is so dependent on fire for their existence... (sustenance) Green 1979) as that of this part of New Holland' 'In December, but more particularly in January Most burning in mid and late summer Collie 1834 (pp. 85-86 of Green 1979) and February, the natives burn large tracts of country to catch wallabee, or bush kangaroo. For this purpose they generally go in considerable numbers and select a fine and

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warm day, and, having fired a portion of thick

scrub or grass where they know these animals live, they watch their being driven out by fire As the fire when once lighted cannot be extinguished The fires when thus lighted generally proceed spreading and consuming everything in their progress, and before the coldness and dew of the night repress their fury or intervening barren spots stop their rage, overrun some square miles of surface, and exhibit a splendidly bright spectacle amid the gloom and darkness of the night'	No Aboriginal means of putting fires out, although Aborigines would doubtless have been aware that fires extinguish themselves at night. Therefore fires spatially extensive (?500 ha) until they run into previously burnt country or weather conditions change so as no longer conducive to further spread	
'The native season of <i>Mondyeunung</i> is succeeded by <i>Peerruck</i> which continues till about the 20 th March, and in which the burning of the country is most general'	Less burning in mid and late autumn	Collie 1834, (p. 86 of Green 1979)
Collie April – May 1831		
'fires, with which the natives seem to have repeatedly consumed the vegetable productions' [<i>c</i> . 9 km along Kalgan R from its junction with Oyster Harbour]	Summer or autumn burning	Collie 1831, p. 135
'…tall shrubs, now burnt' [Kalgan R near Kamballup]	Summer or autumn burning	p. 140
'shrubs, in many parts burnt' [wandoo woodland c. 4 km from Kalgan R]	Summer or autumn burning	p. 141
'Fire had recently gone over its surface' [wattle scrub, south of Stirling Range]	Summer or autumn burning	p. 144
Dale January 1832		
'Towards the sea-coast, the country was mountainous, but the native fires in that quarter materially obstructed our view' [from summit of Toolbrunup, Stirling Range]	Extensive burning close to coast on one day in summer (panoramic overview)	Dale 1832, pp. 164–165
'The fires, which are periodically spread over vast tracts of the country for the purpose of driving objects of chase from their fastnesses'	Spatially extensive burning at landscape scales	Dale 1834, p. 13
'the natives having at that season [summer] set fire to the country around for many miles'	Areas burnt of at least ?2000 ha	p. 14
Smoke and flames of four fires (and two aboriginal camp fires) depicted	Burning of multiple fires during an easterly wind	Etching and aquatint of panoramic view from Mt Clarence (Dale 1834). Panels 1,2,5,10 and 11 of the black and white reproduction in Hallam 1975
The fire north-east near the Kalgan R has more obvious flames than the fire close to Mt Clarence	Spatial variation in fire intensity, reflecting mosaic of fuel ages	Panel 1
Of the 36 aborigines depicted on the summit of Mt Clarence, one has a firestick	Portable source of ignition available	Panel 8

Individual plants of Kingia australis, Xanthorrhoea Vegetation burned previous summer. Panels 1-8, 10, 11 preissii and Macrozamia riedlei on summit of No part of landscape exempt from Mt Clarence flowering burning [Note: Dale has evidently used some artistic licence, as panel 11 shows a Numbat Myrmecobius fasciatus, a species that did not occur near KGS. The drawing is clearly from memory as the tail is incorrect. Dale was the first European to discover this species, near present day Beverley in October 1831] Portions of the vegetation are coloured brown, Recent burning in sections, with Panels 10 and 11 in contrast to adjoining and intervening parts estimated areas of 70 ha and 200 ha which are tinted green (not recently burnt) Collie February 1832 'I looked in vain for some hill in the vicinity of Extensive burning in late summer Collie 1832a, p. 171 the Sound [KGS]. The atmosphere not only being very hazy but thickened with the smoke of native fires' [Kalgan R, south-east of Porongurup Range] Collie July 1832 ...excellent young grass shooting up where Patchy burning in previous summer Collie 1832b, p. 205 that of the former year had been burnt, and in some places, a thick covering of old grass' [Hay R south-west of Mt Barker] Stokes 2 - 15 November 1840 'On our way [15 miles (24 km) north of Albany, Low intensity fire in late spring Stokes 1846, vol. 2, p. 228 i.e. south of Narrikup] we met a party of natives engaged in burning the bush, which they do in sections every year. The dexterity with which they manage so proverbially a dangerous agent as fire is indeed astonishing. Those to whom this Deliberate management of low intensity fire duty is especially entrusted, and who guide or [These may have been marri saplings, which were used as late as the 1920s by stop the running flame, are armed with large green boughs, with which, if it moves in a the Forests Department - D. Ward wrong direction, they beat it out. Their only object personal communication1999] in these periodical conflagrations seems to be the destruction of the various snakes, lizards, and small kangaroos, called wallaby... [Aborigines] engaged in kindling, moderating, and directing the destructive element, which under their care seems almost to change its nature, acquiring, as it were, complete docility, instead of the ungovernable fury we are accustomed to ascribe to it'

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APPENDIX 2

Extracts from letters by J.T. Tunney (hitherto unpublished) held in the Western Australian Museum and relating to his search for *Atrichornis clamosus* Noisy Scrub-bird.

9 August 1900 [The Williams]: '...I have not seen...in my travels...A. clamosa, I think [it] must be found near the coast between Fremantle & Bunbury'.

29 June 1904 [written at Kojonup]: 'I went to Denmark to try & get the A. Clamosa but was not successful'.

17 August 1904 [Gracefield]: [George Masters in 1866] 'was staying with my Grandfather at that time so must have got them near the town [Albany]'.

31 August 1904 [Gracefield]: 'I will leave here about end of Sept & try for A. Clamosa in Albany for a week'.

15 December 1904 [Gracefield]: 'I spent a week in Albany looking for A Clamosa but could not find any traces of them. I will spend a couple of weeks later between Mt Barker & Hay River & Torbay looking for them as Mr Masters was out that way collecting in 67 & may have got them there'.

10 February 1906 [Gracefield]: 'I will stay a week in Albany & try for the A. Clamosa as I heard of a bird resembling it being seen about 10 miles from there the other day'.

13 April 1906 [Esperance]: 'I was not fortunate in getting a Clamosa I was told they used to be numerous 11 miles from Albany. I went there but could not find any traces of them the settler said he heard there were still some up towards Tor bay so when I return I will have a look out there'.

APPENDIX 3

Months when fires started by Aborigines or by lightning were recorded.

Month	Number of dated observations of Aboriginal fires recorded in 1791– 1840 (APPENDIX 1)	
September	0	0
October	2	1
November	1	0
December	6	6
January	20	3
February	11	2
March	2	4
April	2	2
May	0	0
June	0	0
July	0	0
August	0	0

Wood density of improved compared with unimproved maritime pine (*Pinus pinaster*)

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SUMMARY

In a preliminary study, wood density was assessed in eleven pairs of seed orchard origin ('pedigreed') and adjacent unimproved ('routine') maritime pine trees (P1973). Although pedigreed trees produced 19 per cent greater volume, basic and air-dry densities of pedigreed and routine maritime pine were similar. The weighted mean basic density for both pedigreed and routine samples was 448 kg m⁻³, and weighted mean air-dry density was 548 kg m⁻³ and 546 kg m⁻³ respectively.

The trend of decreasing basic and air-dry density with increasing height up the tree, resulting from the increasing proportion of juvenile wood to mature wood with increasing height, was confirmed. The high density observed in growth rings 1–5 was presumably caused by the high concentration of resin-laden heartwood in this area. With resin extracted, the density trend from the pith would presumably increase consistently to the outside of the tree. Shrinkage measurements of the five-ring segments indicated little difference between pedigreed and routine trees.

INTRODUCTION

Maritime pine (*Pinus pinaster*) is a major plantation timber species in Western Australia (WA). Currently there are about 27 000 ha of maritime pine, mainly in coastal regions just north of Perth. CALM's strategic plan is to establish a minimum 150 000 ha of the species over the next 10 years, in 400–600 mm rainfall areas in the Wheatbelt. The plantations would assist in reducing salinity effects while providing a commercial crop.

Since 1972 all maritime pine plantations in WA have been established using genetically-improved trees, and the older plantations are reaching maturity. With the proposal to significantly increase planting, it is important to reassess the wood properties of these improved pines, which were originally selected for vigour, stem straightness, and small branches at right angles to the trunk. Most sawlogs produced from the genetically-improved maritime pine are expected to be used for structural products. Wood density is generally considered to be the best predictor of strength (Zobel and Talbert 1984), and it is important to know whether the density of improved maritime pine is different from that of the unimproved trees that form the bulk of older plantations. The proposal for a laminated veneer lumber (LVL) plant in WA, which will utilize the current maritime pine plantations as well as future plantations, has increased the need to collect available data on the wood properties of maritime pine.

The aim of this preliminary trial was to assess the basic and air-dry density at different heights in the tree, and distances from the pith, as well as shrinkage rates of improved, seed orchard origin (pedigreed) and adjacent unimproved (routine) maritime pine trees at age 25 years. Tangential and radial shrinkage measurements of improved and unimproved maritime pine were compared.

METHODS

Log Collection

Eleven pairs of trees from Yanchep Compartment 12 (P1973) were selected. One tree of each pair was an improved tree of known pedigree, while the other tree was an unimproved routine tree growing adjacent and having similar dominance status. On average, the pedigreed trees had 19 per cent greater volume, were 35 per cent straighter, and mean branch size was 31 per cent less than the routine trees (Butcher¹, personal communication). All trees selected were at least three rows from the Compartment boundary, and each tree was clearly identified with a number indicating the pair (1 to 11), with a first letter (P or R) indicating pedigreed or routine, and a second random letter.

Prior to felling breast height was marked on each tree (1.3 m above ground, high side). Trees were felled and each was docked into a 10 m butt log and a 4 to 7 m crown log (minimum small end diameter was 100 mm). Each log was clearly marked with its identification number.

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Logs were stored at CALM Timber Technology, with bark on and under water sprays to prevent premature drying.

Disc Sampling

Discs were cut at six or seven heights (1.3, 2.4, 4.8, 7.2, 9.6, 12.0 and 14.4 m above ground). At each sample position a 100 mm thick disc was cut from the logs and clearly labelled with tree identification number and height in the tree. Using the *Wadkin* bandsaw, two vertical cuts were made through the disc at the shortest diameter to produce a 30 mm wide strip with centred pith (the longest diameter was avoided because it generally contains compression wood). The orientation of this cut was changed on occasions to avoid branch stubs.

Wood basic density was to be assessed in five-year age groups, starting from the pith, (i.e., 1–5, 6–10, 11–15, 16–20, 21–25 growth rings). The first two groups represent the juvenile corewood, while mature wood is laid down from age 11 years. Consequently, each five-year group of growth rings was marked on the strip, and specimen sections cut using the radial arm saw. With fewer than four rings in the last group, the specimen was measured with the previous five-year group. Each specimen was labelled with the tree number, height group and cambial age group. The cut specimens were blockstacked and wrapped in plastic to minimize drying.

Density Measurements

Specimens were removed from their plastic wrapping and checked to confirm correct identification and numbering. Green volume for basic density determination was calculated after digital Vernier calipers (accuracy of 0.01 mm) were used to measure the length, width and thickness of each specimen. The data were recorded on an *Excel* spreadsheet.

Specimens were then dried to 12 per cent moisture content (MC) in an environmental moisture content (EMC) controlled room, initially set to obtain an EMC of 10 per cent to provide a drying gradient. When all specimens were around 12 per cent, the EMC setting was adjusted to this figure. After the specimens were air-dried their weight, length, width and thickness were measured and recorded. They were then oven-dried to constant weight at 103 ± 2 °C for 24 to 48 hours, and re-weighed to obtain the oven-dry weight.

From the air-dry and oven-dry weights, the air-dry moisture content of each specimen was calculated. Basic and air-dry density were calculated, and weighted averages were calculated from the cross-sectional area in concentric circles, based on each 35 mm length core section.

Shrinkage Measurements

One radial face (i.e., perpendicular to the growth rings) and one tangential face (i.e., parallel to the growth rings) were marked in the centre of each specimen, for measurement of shrinkage. The centreline along one of the two selected faces was also marked for the measurement of longitudinal shrinkage. The green dimensions at these selected points were also measured using Vernier calipers.

The mass of each specimen was measured to an accuracy of 0.001 g after the shrinkage measurements had been taken. Extra sections were used as sample boards to monitor the moisture content loss. The specimens were placed on strip sticks and allowed to dry in the EMC room, with a circulation fan operating to provide air flow around the samples.

When the sample boards were air-dry (mean 12 per cent MC) the dimensions at the three selected points and the mass of each specimen were re-measured. Specimens were then oven-dried as described above.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The mean weighted basic densities for both pedigreed and routine samples were 448 kg m⁻³, and the mean weighted air-dry densities were 548 kg m⁻³ and 546 kg m⁻³ respectively. These results indicated that the increased volume production, improved stem straightness, and smaller branches of pedigree maritime pine did not affect either basic or air-dry density. The pedigreed samples obviously had five-ring specimens that were longer than those of the routine samples.

Table 1 shows that mean weighted values of both basic and air-dry density decrease with increasing height up the tree, as expected. Basic density for pedigree and routine maritime pine decreased from 512 kg m⁻³ and 496 kg m⁻³ respectively at the base of the tree to 394 kg m⁻³ and 375 kg m⁻³ respectively at the highest measured point of 14.4 m. Similarly, air-dry density of pedigree and routine maritime pine decreased from 614 kg m⁻³ and 600 kg m⁻³ at the base of the tree to 468 kg m⁻³ and 499 kg m⁻³

Juvenile wood in conifers has shorter, thinner-walled, larger diameter fibres, with lower percentage latewood and lower density than in the more mature outer wood (AFRDI 1997). Generally the first 10 years of growth is considered to produce juvenile wood, with mature wood produced after that age. The proportion of juvenile wood to mature wood increases with increasing height in the tree, and the mean density at each height therefore decreases with increasing height up the tree as shown in Table 1.

The mean wood density results for samples taken at different cambial ages (1-5, 6-10, 11-15 and 16+ rings) are shown in Table 2. The density of samples is lowest between growth rings 6–10, with basic densities 435–440 kg m⁻³ and air-dry densities 521–536 kg m⁻³, increasing with age to 524–526 kg m⁻³ and 608–618 kg m⁻³ respectively at 16+ growth rings. The higher densities of growth rings 1–5 can be explained by the higher resin contents close to the heart. Extracting resin would be expected to result in a pattern of uniform increase in density from the pith (rings 1–5) to the circumference (rings 16+).

Wood density of pedigree and routine maritime pine samples at different heights and ages is shown in Figures 1 and 2, and detailed data are given in Appendix 1.

TABLE 1	
Neighted wood density of samples from different heights up the tree (kg	m⁻³).

		HEIGHT IN TREE (m)												
		1.3	ŀ	4.8		7.2		9.6	9.6		12.0		14.4	
	MEA	N SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	I SD	MEAN	SD
Basic density (F	⟨g m⁻³)													
Pedigreed	512	31	482	25	470	22	453	25	438	23	409	19	394	23
Routine	496	45	473	32	464	19	445	16	432	27	396	12	375	25
Air-dry density	(kg m⁻³)													
Pedigreed	61	438	585	30	565	25	575	102	550	96	487	24	468	29
Routine	600	44	575	31	560	47	533	18	512	28	503	77	508	100

TABLE 2

Wood density (kg m⁻³) of pedigreed and routine maritime pine at different cambial ages.

	GROWTH RINGS										
	1–	1–5 6–10 11–15 16+									
	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD			
Basic density (kg m ⁻³)											
Pedigreed	458	51	440	44	464	44	524	51			
Routine	452	53	435	43	463	51	526	74			
Air-dry density (kg m⁻³)			8								
Pedigreed	567	81	536	78	556	68	618	56			
Routine	559	59	521	50	549	50	608	86			

The Figures show there was little difference in density between pedigree and routine maritime pine, but that both basic and air-dry density decreased with increasing height in the tree. The increasing density with increasing cambial age from growth rings 6–10 through to 16+ and the high density of the resin-laden growth rings 1–5 are shown. The extraneous high density figure for the 16+ samples at 4.8 m in both basic and air-dry density for the routine maritime pine is owing to a single sample, with obvious localized high resin content.

Regression analysis (including calculating coefficients of determination) was used to determine the linear relationship between the density at breast height and overall density, and whether the former measure could be used as an accurate predictor of overall density. A weak relationship ($R^2 = 0.43$) was found between air-dry density at breast height and the air-dry density of the whole tree. A much stronger relationship ($R^2 = 0.86$) was found between basic density at breast height and the basic density of the whole tree, suggesting that the former is a satisfactory predictor of whole tree density.

The mean tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkages at 12 per cent MC for pedigreed maritime pine were 7.0 per cent, 4.3 per cent and 0.1 per cent respectively. For routine maritime pine the mean tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkages were 6.8 per cent, 4.3 per cent and 0.1 per cent respectively. The mean tangential and radial values are greater than standard published figures of 5.0 per cent and 3.0 per cent respectively before reconditioning (Kingston and Risdon 1961), because of the small size of five-ring segments.

The tangential and radial shrinkages of each five-ring segment are given in Table 3 with detailed data in Appendix 2, indicating a trend of increasing shrinkage with increasing distance from the pith. While the five-ring specimens from pedigreed trees were slightly longer than those from routine trees, because of faster growth rates, there is little difference overall. The high standard

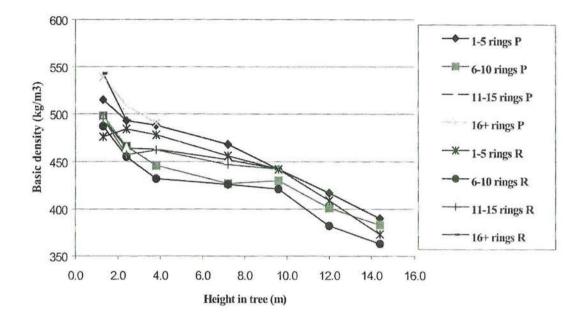
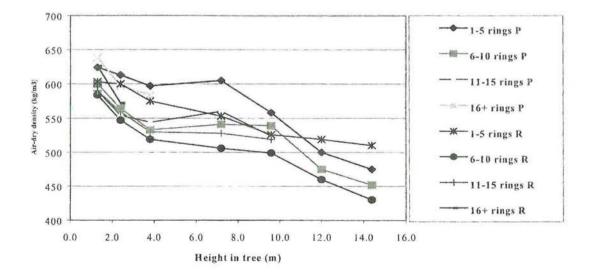


Figure 1. Effect of height in tree on basic density of pedigreed and routine maritime pine (P73).



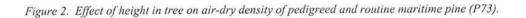


TABLE	3
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Shrinkage (%) of pedigreed and routine maritime pine at different cambial ages .

			G	ROWTH	RINGS						
	1–5 6–10 11–15 16+										
	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD			
Tangential shrinkage (%)											
Pedigreed	5.3	1.4	7.2	1.2	8.5	1.2	8.9	1.3			
Routine	5.5	1.2	7.0	1.1	7.7	1.0	7.5	0.8			
Radial shrinkage (%)											
Pedigreed	3.9	1.2	4.6	1.3	5.1	2.0	5.4	2.5			
Routine	3.8	1.0	4.3	1.3	4.8	2.0	5.5	1.9			

deviations indicate that there was considerable variation between trees.

In summary, the wood density and shrinkage assessment of eleven maritime pine trees (P73) of seed orchard origin and eleven adjacent unimproved trees gave similar results, which is encouraging. Although there has been significant improvement in volume production and significant increase in timber volume in pedigreed trees, the basic and air-dry density between pedigreed and unimproved maritime pine has remained the same.

There was the expected trend of decreasing basic and air-dry density with increasing height up the tree, because of the decreasing proportion of mature to juvenile wood with increasing height. The high density observed in growth rings 1–5 was presumably caused by the high concentration of resin-laden heartwood in this area. There was little difference in either tangential or radial shrinkage between pedigreed and routine pine.

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APPENDIX 1

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Basic and air-dry densities (kg m^{-3}) of five-ring segments of pedigreed and routine maritime pine at different heights (m) in the tree.

	1.3		2.4		4.8		7.2		9.6		12.0		14.4	
GROWTH RINGS	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD
Pedigree					Basic	dens	ity (kg m	³)						
1–5	515	46	493	40	488	31	468	28	442	26	417	23	390	24
6–10	498	40	466	34	446	37	427	21	430	24	401	24	383	18
11-15	495	43	464	31	463	38	452	54	442	45				
16+	539	58	509	42	490	50								
Routine														
1–5	476	80	484	39	478	28	456	25	442	26	409	23	373	43
6–10	487	47	455	31	432	24	426	20	421	37	382	10	363	
11-15	495	56	457	61	462	47	447	30	442	47				
16+	543	93	493	52	595									
					Air-d	ry de	nsity (kg r	n-3)						
Pedigree		-												
1–5	624	61	613	52	597	39	575	37	558	83	500	31	475	35
6–10	600	41	564	51	533	48	512	27	506	28	475	28	452	23
11–15	590	51	554	26	544	42	529	66	524	52				
16+ Routine	638	64	597	37	584	63								
Houtine	603	50	600	40	575	37	553	26	526	32	519	74	510	98
6–10	584	50 46	547	40 35	575	32	506	20	499	37	460	17	430	-
11-15	590	40 53	559	47	530	37	528	34	519	51	400	17	-100	1
16+	595	74	572	75	686	51	020	54	515	51				

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APPENDIX 2

Tangential and radial shrinkages (%) of five-ring segments of pedigreed and routine maritime pine at different heights (m) in the tree.

	1.3		2.4		4.8		7.2		9.6		12.0		14.4	4
GROWTH RINGS	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	I SD
Pedigree						Tanç	gential shr	inkag	e (%)					
1–5	5.7	1.5	5.6	1.9	5.0	1.4	5.2	1.6	5.1	1.5	5.4	0.8	5.3	1.1
6–10	7.9	1.2	8.4	1.1	7.6	1.4	7.3	1.3	6.7	1.4	6.8	1.4	6.0	0.9
11–15	9.1	1.1	9.1	0.8	8.2	1.3	8.1	1.2	7.9	1.6				
16+	8.5	1.3	9.0	1.5	9.3	1.2								
Routine														
1–5	5.8	1.6	5.9	1.4	5.6	1.4	5.4	1.0	5.2	1.2	5.3	1.0	5.2	0.7
6–10	7.7	0.9	7.9	1.3	7.3	1.1	6.9	1.1	6.6	1.2	6.3	1.0	6.0	y.
11–15	8.4	0.8	8.2	1.0	7.9	0.9	7.7	1.0	6.5	1.4				
16+	8.2	0.8	7.9	0.8	6.6	•								
D "						Ra	idial shrink	(age	(%)					
Pedigree				0.0			0.4		0.7	4.0				
1–5	3.8	1.7	4.1	0.9	3.4	1.0	3.4	1.0	3.7	1.2	4.4	1.4	4.3	1.1
6-10	4.0	1.3	4.1	0.8	4.0	1.4	3.7	1.3	4.0	1.1	5.4	2.0	6.9	1.3
11–15	4.8	1.9	5.2	1.5	5.0	2.2	5.3	2.9	5.2	1.6				
16+	5.5	2.6	6.3	2.3	4.6	2.6								
Routine	0.0	10	10	0.0	0.0		2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		1.0		1.0
1-5	3.8	1.3	4.0	0.6	3.6	1.1	3.9	0.8	3.9	0.9	4.1	1.0	3.3	1.2
6–10 11–15	4.3	1.5 2.2	4.2	1.0 2.4	3.9 4.8	1.0 1.9	3.9	0.8	3.5	1.2	3.6	2.2	6.6	-
11-15	5.3		5.1				4.5	2.4	4.2	1.0				
10+	5.8	1.9	6.6	1.8	4.0	•								

Wood properties of southern gidgee (*Acacia pruinocarpa*) from different sites in the Pilbara and goldfields regions of Western Australia

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SUMMARY

The CALMScience Division and CALM Timber Technology undertook a joint study to investigate the basic wood properties of initial moisture content, density, fibre saturation point and shrinkage of southern gidgee (*Acacia pruinocarpa* Tindale) trees from three geographic regions within the arid zone of Western Australia.

The low initial moisture contents observed for southern gidgee (24 to 35 per cent) from the three areas is a product of the dry environment in which the species grows, and the high density of its wood. The mean basic density, air-dry density and green density for all sites were 926 kg m⁻³, 1083 kg m⁻³ and 1203 kg m⁻³ respectively.

The estimated fibre saturation point was 21.2 per cent, lower than that of most other species. The mean tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkages from green to 12 per cent moisture content for this study were 2.5 per cent, 1.68 per cent and 0.12 per cent respectively. The tangential:radial:longitudinal shrinkage ratio for southern gidgee at 12 per cent moisture content was therefore 21:14:1, compared with the general ratio of 100:50:1. This result could be attributed to the presence of wavy grain and the difficulty in achieving perfectly backsawn or quartersawn samples.

Southern gidgee has an attractive dark ebony colour and very dense wood, giving the species the potential for value-adding into furniture, craftwood and musical instruments.

INTRODUCTION

In its natural environment southern gidgee (*Acacia* pruinocarpa Tindale) grows to a tall dominant tree 12 m high, with a large spreading crown and rough, deep fissured bark which folds into the wood of the trunk and branches (Mitchell and Wilcox 1994). Trees generally occur on rocky hills and on hard mulga (*A. aneura* Muell

ex Benth) plains in shallow loamy soils over rock or a hardpan. Larger trees are often found in moisture gaining sites. Southern gidgee has a wide distribution through the central and northern desert areas of Western Australia (WA), beginning about 50 km east of Carnarvon, and extending east into the Northern Territory (Pronk 1997).

The common name of *gidgee* is also applied to a similar looking, but unrelated species (*A. cambagei* R.T. Baker) which grows in the dry inland areas of Queensland and New South Wales. The wood properties of *A. cambagei* are described in Bootle (1983).

Southern gidgee has wide distribution and a large size, considering it grows in an arid environment. Its attractive dark ebony coloured wood with its high density give the species potential for value-adding into furniture and craftwood. This report discusses a joint trial undertaken by the CALMScience Division and CALM Timber Technology to investigate the basic wood properties of density, shrinkage, initial moisture content and fibre saturation point of trees from three geographic regions of WA.

METHODS

The southern gidgee trees were sampled from areas ranging from three sites in the Pilbara through to two sites each in the North Eastern and North Western Goldfields (Table 1). The trees were felled, docked to 2.6 m log lengths, and delivered to CALM Timber Technology at Harvey within three to four weeks of harvesting, then stored under water spray. Some were delivered to the Herbarium initially, where they were kept moist until transport to Harvey was available. Generally, the time recommended between felling and stockpiling logs from regrowth jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*) and karri (*E. diversicolor*) is less than one week, but the long distances involved in this study resulted in the delay between felling and stockpiling. After stockpiling, the logs were sawn and specimens prepared for assessing the following basic wood properties:

- initial moisture content
- green density, air dry density and basic density
- fibre saturation point (f.s.p.)
- tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkage

TABLE 1

Site details of southern gidgee logs collected for wood properties assessments.

GEOGRAPHIC REGION	SITE	VOUCHER No.	No. OF TREES SAMPLED	DATE COLLECTED	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	LOCATION DESCRIPTION
Pilbara	Savory Creek	S. van Leeuwen 3380	1	15 Oct 1997	28º 48' 39" S	120º 24' 40" E	3.2 km SW of Burranbar Pool, 17.3 km E of Mundiwindi, 26 km ENE of Cundlebar, 9.2 km W of Kimberley Well
	Hamersley	S. van Leeuwen 3384	1	15 Oct 1997	23º 12' 44" S	119º 28' 11" E	7.2 km SE of Pamelia Hill, 15.7 km SE of Rhodes Ridge, 32.4 km ENE of Giles Point
	Fortescue Valley	S. van Leeuwen 3386	1	15 Oct 1997	22º 03' 51" S	118º 15' 44" E	Mulga Downs Station, 8.6 km WNW of Windemurra Well, 21 km NNW of Wittenoom, 22.4 km E of Pigeon Camp Well
North Eastern Goldfields	Lake Carnegie	N.A.	3	25 Nov 1997	25° 50' S	122° 33' E	Gunbarrel Highway (south side), about 305 km E of Wiluna
	Yakabindie Station	N.A.	1	30 July 1997	27° 27' S	120° 34' E	Yakabindie Nickel Mine site
North Western Goldfields	Mt Magnet- East	T. M°Kenzie	e 1	Sept 1997	28° 06' S	117° 50' E	20 km east of Mt Magnet
	Mt Magnet- North East	T. M°Kenzie	9 1	Sept 1997	28° 06' S	117° 50' E	15 km NNE of Mt Magnet

Note: Samples are coded by Site name and Voucher number (when given).

Specimen Preparation

Backsawn specimens (28 x 28 mm) were cut from the outer heartwood of randomly selected log lengths. The logs were broken down on a *Forestor 150* horizontal bandsaw, and the flitches sawn into 28 x 28 mm backsawn lengths, using either a *Jonsereds* vertical bandsaw or a *Wadkin* band resaw. These lengths were then dressed on all sides to 25 x 25 mm cross-section to remove saw marks and produce even surfaces to improve measuring accuracy with vernier calipers. Specimens 200 mm long were then docked. Owing to the twisted log shape, it was difficult to achieve straight grained pieces, which consequently affected longitudinal shrinkage measurements and therefore some specimens were rejected in data analysis.

Initial Moisture Content

The initial moisture content (I.M.C.) of a piece of timber is defined as the mass of water contained in that timber expressed as a percentage of the oven-dry mass.

I.M.C. (%) <u>Green mass – Oven-dry mass</u> x 100 Oven-dry mass

(AFRDI 1997).

Data on initial moisture content assist in selecting an economical drying schedule for a particular timber species. Previous assessments of specialty timbers from the WA Goldfields have indicated values lower than those for jarrah and karri (Brennan and Newby 1992).

A section was cut from the end of each 25 x 25 mm length and oven-dried to determine moisture content, as described in AS/NZS1080.1:1997 (Standards Australia 1997). If the green mass could not be measured immediately after cutting, then the specimens were block-stacked and wrapped in plastic to reduce moisture loss.

Fibre Saturation Point

Fibre saturation point (f.s.p.) is the moisture content at which the cell cavities have lost their free water while the cell walls are still saturated. It is usually in the range of 25 to 30 per cent moisture content for most species (Campbell 1997). It is important to know f.s.p. because wood properties of a piece of timber change below that moisture content. For example, as water moves out from between the fibrils of the cell wall and the fibrils move closer together and shrinkage of the cell wall occurs, then shrinkage of the whole piece commences. Removing the free water from the cell cavity also allows easier penetration of chemical preservatives, fire retardants and other additives. Thermal, acoustical and electrical properties also change as the moisture content falls below f.s.p. It is critical to know the f.s.p. when drying timber, particularly if drying at temperatures above 100° C, because cell collapse and internal checking can develop if the cells still contain free water.

Kelsey (1956) used the 'shrinkage intersection point' as an estimate of f.s.p. She defined the shrinkage intersection point as the moisture content at which the extended linear portion of the shrinkage-moisture content curve intersects the line of zero shrinkage. Shrinkage curves were produced for southern gidgee specimens from each site by plotting mean moisture content and mean shrinkage (tangential and radial), using the following method.

The mass of each $25 \ge 25 \ge 200$ mm specimen was then recorded, and the subsequent mass over the assessment period as the timber dried compared with that initial mass (measured at the time of assessing initial moisture content) to estimate moisture content at each measurement time. At the end of the assessment the mean predicted moisture content was below 8 per cent, and the specimens were then oven-dried.

The oven-dry mass and weekly weighing for each southern gidgee specimen allowed the determination of moisture content at each assessment. The oven-dry mass for each specimen was used to calculate initial moisture content and basic density, and to produce shrinkage curves and estimate f.s.p. From shrinkage curves, shrinkage intersection points were estimated for specimens from each site. Using the data between 5 per cent and 25 per cent moisture content, linear regressions were calculated and the intersection point on the y-axis (MC%) used to estimate f.s.p. To construct a shrinkage curve with most species, at least one data point should be above 25 per cent moisture content, i.e. above f.s.p. This generally allows an elbow to develop in the curve and the regression line can be projected onto the y-axis. In some cases the mean moisture content of some specimens was below 25 per cent M.C. and f.s.p. could not be accurately estimated.

Density (green, air-dry and basic density)

The density of a piece of wood (or any substance) is defined as its mass divided by its volume, usually expressed in kilograms per cubic metre (kg m⁻³). Three methods of estimating density were used in this trial. They were:

Green density (G.D.) is the ratio of the mass of green or unseasoned wood to green volume. This density is useful when determining log transport costs by relating tonnes to cubic metres, the basis of weight-scaling. However, the moisture content of the logs varies during the year, and green density will vary.

Air-dry density (A.D.D.) is the mass of a piece of wood divided by its volume after seasoning (generally to 12 per cent moisture content). This condition relates to wood in use and is the usual figure used when comparing densities of different species in practical situations.

Basic density (B.D.) is the oven-dry mass divided by green volume. This measure has the advantage that moisture content variations during the year are avoided.

Samples for assessing green and basic density were taken from green boards and from dry boards for estimating air-dry density. Air-dried densities were calculated when the specimen moisture contents were approximately 12 per cent. Because measurements were conducted weekly, it was difficult to assess the specimens when their moisture contents were exactly 12 per cent.

Shrinkage

The shrinkage of a piece of wood is expressed as a percentage of its green dimensions (i.e. when the moisture content is above fibre saturation point).

Shrinkage (%) = green dimension – dry dimension x 100 green dimension

To obtain accurate shrinkage measurements, the 25 x 25×200 mm specimens were measured for tangential (parallel to the growth rings), radial (perpendicular to the growth rings) and longitudinal shrinkage before drying in a controlled humidity chamber. The specimens were remeasured weekly at the same position until the moisture content was below 8 per cent. The equilibrium moisture content (e.m.c.) in the humidity chamber was set at 2 per cent lower than the mean moisture content of the specimens to allow them to dry and shrink before the next assessment.

All data collected for moisture content, density and shrinkage for each site were entered onto an *Excel* spreadsheet.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Density

The green density, moisture content, basic density and airdry density data for each site assessed for this study are given in Table 2. Note the low values for average initial moisture content, some being below the normal fibre saturation point (f.s.p.). The low initial moisture contents measured (ranging from 24.4 to 35.1 per cent) from the seven sites reflect the arid and semi-arid dry environments in which the trees grow, and the high wood density of southern gidgee.

The mean green density, basic density and air-dry density for all sites were 1205 kg m⁻³, 925 kg m⁻³ and 1085 kg m⁻³ respectively. The high density of southern gidgee is owing to thick cell walls and small cavities that result in less space available for free water. All sites have

TABLE 2

Moisture content, green, basic and air-dry density of southern gidgee specimens from different sites in the Goldfields and Pilbara Regions.

SITE S		No. SAMPLES	INIT MOIS CONTE	TURE	GRE DENS (kg r	SITY	BASIC D (kg n		AIR-D DENS (kg n	ITY
		MEAN	S.D.	MEAN	S.D.	MEAN	S.D.	MEAN	S.D.	
Savory Creek	25	24.4	1.5	1175	55	945	50	1095	55	
Hamersley Range	19	35.1	3.3	1230	55	910	45	1065	55	
Fortescue Valley	23	29.7	4.3	1155	30	890	30	1045	30	
Lake Carnegie	18	32.3	4.2	1210	50	915	45	1070	55	
Mt. Magnet – East	25	31.6	4.6	1200	55	915	45	1065	50	
Mt. Magnet - North Ea	st 21	28.4	6.6	1180	30	920	60	1070	70	
Yakabindie Station	28	30.2	5.8	1260	60	970	45	1150	55	
All Sites	159	30.2		1205		925		1085		

long term dry conditions with harsh growing conditions. Kalgoorlie has a mean January maximum temperature of 33.6°C and a low mean rainfall of 260 mm per year (Bureau of Meteorology 1988) which are typical of the conditions for sites assessed.

The logs assessed from Savory Creek, Hamersley and Fortescue were from three different trees, producing nine logs. Four logs were assessed from Lake Carnegie, coming from three different trees. The sampling position within these trees will affect the density results for these sites and the comparisons between sites.

The content of cell wall material in wood and thus density varies not only between species but also within species and individual trees. Wood density is affected by factors such as proportions of heartwood and sapwood, rate of growth and the proportion of earlywood to latewood (particularly in conifers). Young trees have a significant volume of juvenile wood in their central core, which is of lower density than mature wood of the same species, and considerable variation in density occurs both between and within trees. Average density increases with cambial age or distance from the pith (Brennan 1997).

Green density is the density of the wood at the time the living tree is felled. It varies considerably with the season, weather conditions, and the age of the tree (Bootle 1983). The seven sites included in this study were sampled at different times of the year under different weather conditions, which affected green density. Yakabindie, which produced different results from all other groups, was sampled in July. All other samples were collected between September and November, and seasonal variation in green density may explain the significant differences in green density. Genetic differences owing to long distances between some sites may contribute some of the variation in green density.

The Yakabindie sample had the highest value for each of the three density measurements, i.e. green, basic and airdry density. All three density values for Yakabindie were within the range of densities quoted for mulga, a species with similar wood characteristics (Bootle 1983; Brennan and Newby 1992).

Brennan (1997) reported similar densities to the mean results of the present study for raspberry jam (*A. acuminata*) and mulga (*A. aneura*), other *Acacia* species from the Wheatbelt and Goldfields Regions of WA. Bootle (1983) reported green density values of about 1300 kg m⁻³ for two *Acacia* species referred to as gidgee (i.e. *A. cambagei* and *A. georginae*), and air-dry density of about 1250 kg m⁻³ for *A. cambagei*: values slightly higher than those reported in this study.

Special attention is required when milling, drying and processing southern gidgee, as the timber has potential for high value end uses, for example furniture, craftwood and components for musical instruments. High-density timbers normally require high-speed planers and sharp tools with slow feed speeds. Drying of high density timbers with a minimum of degrade is difficult because movement of water through the dense cell structure is slow. High equipment costs, maintenance costs and the slow drying times result in higher processing costs than those of lower density timbers which are softer and faster to dry while equipment requires less maintenance.

Shrinkage

Fibre saturation point estimates were made by generating a regression line from the shrinkage curves of moisture content and shrinkage between 5 and 25 per cent, and taking the 'y' intercept as the f.s.p. prediction: f.s.p. estimates are shown in Table 3.

Fibre saturation point estimates from the longitudinal shrinkage curves were consistently lower than estimates from the tangential and radial shrinkage curves. Estimated f.s.p. for southern gidgee [because changes in dimensions are very small compared with tangential and radial, and less reliable] for reliable data (i.e. excluding longitudinal) was 21.2 per cent for tangential shrinkage curves and 20.4 per cent for radial shrinkage curves. In comparison, the f.s.p. for most species lies between 25 and 30 per cent (AFRDI 1997), but the estimate in the present study is similar to the 21.7 per cent estimate for gidgee made by Siemon and Kealley (1999).

The mean shrinkage data for tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkage at a moisture content of 12 per cent and at final moisture content (between 7.5 and 9.0 per cent M.C.) are shown in Table 4.

The mean tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkage for all sites from green to 12 per cent is 2.5 per cent (SD 0.8), 1.7 per cent (SD 0.4) and 0.1 per cent (SD 0.1) respectively. This gives a tangential:radial:longitudinal shrinkage ratio for southern gidgee of 21:14:1. For all sites from green to final moisture content (Table 4) shrinkages

TABLE 3

Fibre saturation point predicted from tangential (tang), radial and longitudinal (long) shrinkage curves.

	F.S.	P. ESTIMATE	S	INITI	AL MC%	
SITE	TANG	RADIAL	LONG	MEAN	STD DEV	RANGE OF MC% FOR F.S.P. ESTIMATES
Yakabindie	21.93	21.53	19	30.21	5.77	21.7-7.5
Savory Creek	21.1	19.7	16.5	24.4	1.45	24.4-8.5
Hamersley	21.2	20.42	15.08	35.1	3.26	20.9-9.0
Fortescue	21.92	21.51	12.04	29.7	4.3	20.3-8.6
Lake Carnegie	21.35	20.24	15.79	32.3	4.24	22.3-8.9
Mt Magnet – East	21.04	20.15	13.35	31.6	4.58	22.2-8.7
Mt Magnet - North East	19.73	19.15	17.78	28.4	6.64	21.1-9.0
Mean all sites	21.2	20.4	15.6	30.2	4.32	

TABLE 4

Tangential, radial and longitudinal shrinkage measurements of southern gidgee for sites assessed.

SHRINKAGE FROM GREEN TO 12 % MOISTURE CONTENT											
SITE	n	TANGENTIAL (%)		RADI	AL (%)	LONGIT	UDINAL (%)	MEAN MC(%			
		MEAN	STD DEV	MEAN S	STD DEV	MEAN	STD DEV				
Savory Creek	24	2.44	0.76	1.57	0.25	0.08	0.05	11.3			
Hamersley	19	2.54	0.52	1.63	0.25	0.22	0.09	11.7			
Fortescue	23	2.85	0.66	1.76	0.35	0.06	0.06	11.9			
Lake Carnegie	18	2.4	0.95	1.57	0.23	0.11	0.07	11.9			
Mt. Magnet – East	25	2.42	0.71	1.37	0.46	0.09	0.07	11.8			
Mt Magnet - North East	21	1.91	0.48	1.44	0.29	0.12	0.07	11.9			
Yakabindie	28	2.83	0.90	2.27	0.37	0.16	0.12	12.5			

SITE	n	TANG	ENTIAL (%)	RADIAL (%)		LONGIT	UDINAL (%)	FINAL MC(%)
		MEAN	STD DEV	MEAN S	STD DEV	MEAN	STD DEV	
Savory Creek	24	3.56	0.91	2.45	0.32	0.12	0.05	8.5
Hamersley	19	3.38	1.04	2.26	0.33	0.12	0.07	9.0
Fortescue	23	3.94	0.99	2.62	0.38	0.07	0.06	8.6
Lake Carnegie	18	3.26	1.15	2.30	0.37	0.12	0.10	8.9
Mt. Magnet – East	25	3.54	0.90	2.31	0.43	0.12	0.09	8.7
Mt Magnet - North East	21	2.95	0.53	2.23	0.36	1.20	0.13	9.0
Yakabindie	28	4.72	1.28	3.92	0.50	0.31	0.22	7.5

were 3.7 per cent (SD 1.1), 2.6 per cent (SD 0.7) and 0.2 per cent (SD 0.3) respectively, giving a ratio of 20:14:1. Published data on shrinkage is normally given as the shrinkage between green and 12 per cent MC, a figure representative of seasoned timber in dwellings. The mean tangential and radial shrinkage for all sites from green to 12 per cent MC (2.5 per cent and 1.7 per cent respectively) were less than the 2.9 per cent and 2.3 per cent respectively quoted by Siemon and Kealley (1999). The high standard deviations observed in the shrinkage measurements, particularly in longitudinal shrinkage, are owing to wavy grain and/or measuring inaccuracies, with the latter a likely source of variation when measuring the very small changes observed in longitudinal shrinkage.

The tangential:radial:longitudinal ratio of 21:14:1 was significantly different from the generally quoted ratio of 100:50:1. Shrinkage of wood as it dries is caused by the fibrils moving closer together rather than the fibrils actually shrinking. The greatest shrinkage occurs at right angles to the direction in which the fibres lie. Most cells have the fibrils running spirally and close to parallel to the length of the cell. There is little shrinkage in the length of the cell and greater shrinkage at right angles to the length of the cell in the radial and tangential directions, and longitudinal shrinkage. Radial shrinkage is less than tangential shrinkage because the medullary rays reduce shrinkage in the radial direction.

The amount of shrinkage in a piece of timber is affected by the direction of the grain in that piece. Although we tried to select specimens where the growth rings were parallel to the face, southern gidgee has a very twisted wavy grain making it difficult to select perfect samples. Within a 25 x 25 x 200 mm specimen the grain can change direction, which causes distortion during drying to 12 per cent or final MC and greater than expected longitudinal shrinkage. An increase in the longitudinal shrinkage reduces the ratio of tangential:radial:longitudinal shrinkage.

Southern gidgee's wide distribution and arborescent growth form with large stem diameter for a semi-arid environment, combined with the attractive dark ebony colour and high density of the wood, gives this species the potential for value-adding into furniture, craftwood and in musical instruments. The nature of a scattered resource over vast areas and the difficulty in finding suitable logs from a tree with poor form means that southern gidgee would only have potential for a small scale specialty timber industry.

Considerable interest has been shown in using Goldfields timbers for manufacturing flutes and woodwind instruments (Kealley 1989). The acoustic properties of southern gidgee should be tested for its possible use in the manufacture of musical instruments, because mulga has given satisfactory results in flutes. Desert Timber Products in Kalgoorlie is currently using southern gidgee for guitar components. Future research on southern gidgee may include assessment of sawmilling recoveries, timber drying, processing and an evaluation of its acoustic properties.

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Flora and vegetation of the Byenup-Muir reserve system, south-west Western Australia

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ABSTRACT

This study documents the high conservation values of Byenup-Muir reserve system in terms of both flora and diversity of plant communities recorded. A total of 976 taxa were recorded in 13 reserves; this included three species of Declared Rare Flora and 33 taxa on CALM's priority flora list. Structural vegetation mapping carried out in nine reserves showed a complex mosaic of more than 30 vegetation types. Comparison with oblique aerial photography taken in 1980 allowed qualitative changes in vegetation cover over 19 years to be described.

Eryngium sp. Lake Muir (*E. Wittwer* 2293) and *Tribonanthes* sp. Lake Muir (*GJK & NG* 2387) appear to be endemic taxa to the Byenup-Muir area. The Lake Muir Nature Reserve contains the only known populations of *Euphrasia scabra* and *Lilaeopsis polyantha* in WA. The Byenup-Muir wetland reserve system fulfils at least four criteria for listing as a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention.

The major threats to conservation values of the reserve system identified were (1) increases in salinity resulting from drainage schemes and rising water table and (2) spread of dieback. Major changes in plant communities in many of the wetlands have occurred since 1980. These changes were not just confined to lake margins but also occurred in sumplands and damplands.

INTRODUCTION

The Byenup-Muir wetland complex covers a sequence of basin wetlands, swamps, seasonally wet flats and low sandy and occasionally lateritic rises in the south-west of Western Australia (WA). It is unusual in that this wetland complex is largely undisturbed and contains peat-based wetlands, which are very rare in WA (ANCA 1996; CALM 1998). The wetland complex is reserved in 13 separate nature reserves (Bokarup, Cobertup, Cowerup, Galamup, Kodjinup, Kulunilup, Lake Muir, Noobijup, Pindicup, Pinticup, Quindinup, Unicup and Yarnup) (Fig. 1; Gibson and Keighery 1999). The broad plain on which most of the wetlands occur has had a complex geological history. The area was subject to several marine incursions while most of the soils are of Tertiary and Quaternary age and represent infilling of blocked paleodrainage systems (Wilde and Walker 1984; Chakravartula and Street 1999). Churchward *et al.* (1988) mapped landforms and soils south of Byenup Lagoon. The wetlands fell into their swampy terrain landform with Cambellup (plains with drainage floors, swamps and low rises) and Morande (lunettes, dunes, hummocks and intervening swamps) being the most common units. Chakravartula and Street (1999) have recently produced a more detailed soil interpretation from airborne radiometric data for the entire Muir and Unicup catchments.

Regional vegetation mapping at 1:250 000 scale was undertaken by Smith (1972) and at 1:1 000 000 scale by Beard (1981). The reserves fall mainly into Beard's Kwornicup vegetation system with the upland areas around Unicup Nature Reserve in the Jingalup vegetation system. The Jingalup uplands have extensive areas of lateritic capping and deeply dissected watercourses. Most of this system is dominated by eucalypt woodland with the creek lines dominated by Eucalyptus rudis, Melaleuca cuticularis and M. viminea. The more extensive Kwornicup system is characterized by a poorly-drained swampy plain between the headwaters of the Kent, Hay and Gordon Rivers. The vegetation is a mosaic of jarrah (Eucalyptus marginata)-marri (E. calophylla) forests, paperbark (Melaleuca spp.) low forest and reed swamps, with E. decipiens occurring on sandy swampy sites as the dominant or understorey species. Clay swamps usually contain stands of yate (E. cornuta) with an understorey of Melaleuca cuticularis and M. violacea while sandy swamps may have dense stands of Melaleuca cuticularis grading into reed swamps (Beard 1981).

The broad scale vegetation mapping gives little indication of the degree of patterning or the array of plant communities found in the area. More detailed information is available for three of the nature reserves: Kulunilup, Unicup and Yarnup (Griffin 1984). In his report Griffin described 24 vegetation associations ranging from upland lateritic jarrah communities to shrublands and sedgelands of the wet flats, and commented on the gradational nature of the vegetation with the complex mosaic apparently related to soil type, moisture status and salinity. The aim of the present work was to compile species lists for all 13 reserves, to map the nine wetland reserves for which detailed vegetation information is lacking, and to provide a qualitative assessment of vegetation change over 19 years using oblique aerial photography taken in 1980.

METHODS

Vegetation and Flora

Structural vegetation mapping was undertaken for Bokarup, Cobertup, Cowerup, Galamup, Kodjinup, Lake Muir, Noobijup, Pindicup, Pinticup Nature Reserves using 1:25 000 stereo colour aerial photographs (WA3619 – 23.x.95) (Fig. 1). Structural units were mapped then fieldchecked by traverses of external boundaries and internal tracks. The Lake Muir Reserve is over 11 000 ha and much is inaccessible by vehicle: mapping units in this reserve were checked by air. Vegetation units were found to occur in complex mosaics, and broad units similar to those used by Griffin (1984) were adopted.

For each reserve detailed flora lists were compiled. The lists for Lake Muir and Cowerup Nature Reserves are considered preliminary because of the large size in the case of Lake Muir and lack of sampling of annuals in Cowerup. The mapping and flora survey was undertaken during five

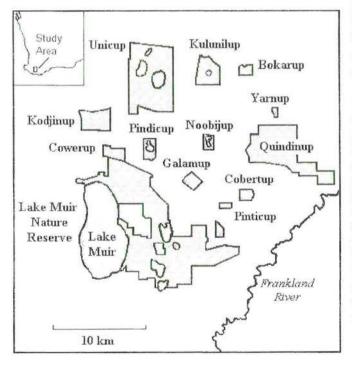


Figure 1. Location map showing the 13 reserves that make up the Byenup-Muir reserve system.

field trips in spring, summer and autumn from 1997 to 1999. Over 800 voucher collections have been lodged in the Western Australian Herbarium. Nomenclature generally follows Green (1985) and current usage at the Western Australian Herbarium (ms indicates manuscript name, * indicates an introduced taxon).

Current vegetation patterns and aerial photographs were compared with oblique aerial photography of many of the reserves taken by J.A.K. Lane in 1980. This allowed a qualitative assessment of vegetation change within the reserves over the last 19 years.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Flora

Reserve summaries, new vegetation mapping and flora lists for the 13 reserves of the Byenup-Muir wetland system are given in Appendix 1. A total of 976 taxa were recorded from the 13 reserves (Appendix 2), of these 862 were native and 114 were introduced. The most species-rich native families were the Orchidaceae (70 taxa), Cyperaceae (65 taxa), Myrtaceae (60 taxa), Proteaceae and Papilionaceae (52 taxa), Asteraceae (50 taxa) and Stylidiaceae (36 taxa). The families with the most introduced taxa were Poaceae (22 taxa), Asteraceae (18 taxa) and the Papilionaceae (12 taxa).

During the survey three taxa listed as Declared Rare Flora (DRF) were recorded from the area, as were 33 taxa listed on CALM's priority flora list (Atkins 1998; Table 1). This is a considerable increase in the number of priority flora previously reported (three DRF and four priority species–CALM 1998).

This is a rich flora for such a small area: it is more than 10 per cent of that recorded for the south-west, about half that recorded for Fitzgerald River National Park (Newbey and McQuoid 1997) and more than that known for Lesueur National Park (Griffin et al. 1990). Both the latter areas are major centres of biodiversity in south-west WA (Table 2). The reasons for such diversity in the Byenup-Muir area probably relate to complexes of soil types and hydrological patterns (both local and regional) found over short distances relating to the blockage of major drainage patterns during the Tertiary and subsequent infilling of the plain (Chakravartula and Street 1999). The complex of vegetation patterning is also related to these patterns (particularly period of inundation, and quality of ground water) as well as fire history, although much detailed work would be required to demonstrate these correlations.

TABLE 1

Rare and priority flora recorded from the Byenup-Muir wetland reserves (DRF = Declared Rare Flora, 1-4 = priority flora listing—after Atkins 1998)

TAXON	PRIORITY LISTING	
Amphibromus vickeryae	1	
Anthotium junciforme	4	
Apodasmia ceramophila ms	2	
Caladenia christineae ms	DRF	
Caladenia harringtoniae ms	DRF	
<i>Caladenia starteorum</i> ms	2	
Caustis sp. Boyanup (G.S. McCutcheon 1706)	1	
Diuris drummondii	DRF	
Dryandra porrecta	4	
Eryngium sp. Lake Muir (E. Wittwer 2293)	1	
Eucalyptus aspersa	4	
Eucalyptus latens	4	
Euchiton gymnocephalus	3	
Euphrasia scabra	2	
Gratiola pedunculata	2	
Hibbertia silvestris	4	
Hydatella australis	1	
<i>Jacksonia sparsa</i> ms	3	
Leucopogon lasiophyllus	2	
Leucopogon tamariscinus	2	
Lilaeopsis polyantha	2	
Melaleuca pritzelii	2	
Opercularia rubioides	2	
Phyllangium palustre	2	
Pithocarpa corymbulosa	2	
Pterostylis turfosa	1	
Rhodanthe pyrethrum	3	
Schoenus benthamii	3	
Schoenus capillifolius	2	
Schoenus Ioliaceus	2	
Schoenus natans	4	
Stylidium lepidum	3	
Stylidium mimeticum	3	
Stylidium rhipidium	1	
Synaphea decumbens	1	
Tribonanthes sp. Lake Muir (GJK & NG 2387)	Recommended P4	
Villarsia submersa	4	

TABLE 2

Comparison of species richness of the Byenup-Muir wetland reserves with Fitzgerald River National Park and Lesueur National Park.

		NUMBER OF AXA RECORDED
13 Byenup-Muir wetland reserves	19 888	976
Fitzgerald River National Park	329 000	1883
Lesueur National Park	26 978	821

The area was remarkable for the number of threatened or poorly known taxa recorded (Table 1). Of particular note were *Euphrasia scabra, Lilaeopsis polyantha, Schoenus natans, Eryngium* sp. Lake Muir (*E Wittwer* 2293), and *Tribonanthes* sp. Lake Muir (*GJK & NG* 2387).

Euphrasia scabra and Lilaeopsis polyantha are known in WA only from the Byenup-Lake Muir area. E. scabra was widespread in the eastern States but is now considered extinct in New South Wales and South Australia, many populations in Victoria and Tasmania have disappeared and the remaining ones are declining badly (Thompson 1992; Gilfedder and Kirkpartick 1995; Gilfedder and Kirkpatrick 1997). Two large populations of this taxon were located during the course of this work, both appear in good health.

Schoenus natans is an aquatic sedge that was believed to be extinct until it was rediscovered on the Swan Coastal Plain in the early 1990s when it was listed as Declared Rare Flora (Keighery and Keighery 1996). It was subsequently found in a number of clay-based wetlands on the plain and the adjacent Darling Scarp. During the present survey large populations of this taxon were found in five of the nature reserves. This taxon was subsequently taken off the DRF list.

Two taxa appear to be endemic to the Byenup-Muir wetland reserves: *Eryngium* sp. Lake Muir (*E. Wittwer* 2293), and *Tribonanthes* sp. Lake Muir (*GJK & NG* 2387). Both taxa occur on winter-wet clay flats. While the *Eryngium* has been recognized for some time the *Tribonanthes* appears to be a previously unrecognized taxon. It is recommended that it be listed on CALM's priority flora list as a Priority 4 taxon, given its widespread occurrence in clay wetlands within the reserve system.

Vegetation

More than 30 different structural vegetation units were used to map nine nature reserves. The general pattern found was that of complex mosaics and gradational change as previously reported by Griffin (1984). Initially mapping was undertaken using the same map units as earlier mapping of Unicup, Kulunilup and Yarnup Nature Reserves (Griffin 1984). It was found that some of these units were too heterogenous to map reliably. Final map units chosen are generally comparable with the earlier work and correlations are made in relevant sections of Appendix 1. Major vegetation patterning appears to be related to soil type, period of inundation, quality and type of ground water, and fire history. The complex hydrology of the area is evident in reserves such as Unicup where saline and freshwater plant communities occur on the same wetland. The occurrence of a patch of *Baumea articulata* on the eastern side of Little Unicup in an otherwise saline lake implies the occurrence of a freshwater spring (Froend and McComb 1991). Similar patterning is seen in other lakes in Unicup and Pindicup Nature Reserves. In both these reserves saline wetlands (presumably in contact with saline ground water) and freshwater wetlands (presumably fed by perched aquifers) can occur within very short distances of each other.

Considerable change in vegetation communities can be noted since J.A.K. Lane took a series of oblique aerial photographs of many of the reserves in 1980. These changes have not been restricted to the margins of the basin wetlands but also affect damplands and sumplands (primarily wet heath communities).

Of the 10 basin wetlands dominated by *Baumea* sedgeland photographed in 1980 five (Cobertup, Kulunilup, Pindicup, Pinticup and Yarnup) show no obvious change when compared with recent aerial photographs. In three wetlands (Galamup, Kodjinup, and Noobijup) the density of the *Baumea* appears to have dropped but the area of open water shows little change. At Bokarup Swamp the cover of *Baumea* sedgeland has decreased by about 50 per cent. Associated with this dramatic change is the almost complete replacement of a *Melaleuca lateritia* wet heath in the castern wetland by open water. The 1980 photographs show the wet heath beginning to die from the centre of the wetland suggesting that a rise in water table rather than fire has precipitated this change (Fig. 2).



Figure 2. A view looking south across the eastern wetland in Bokarup Nature Reserve taken in 1980. Note the death of the wet heath in the centre of the wetland. By 1999 the wet heath had been relaced by open water except for a narrow band on the eastern boundary. (Photo JAK Lane).

Lane's 1980 photography of Byenup Lagoon shows extensive areas of Baumea sedgeland in good condition interspersed by small patches of open water and clumps of Melaleuca forming small 'islands'. The October 1995 aerial photography appears to show most of the Baumea on the western and north-eastern side to be an orange colour, which is indicative of stress. None of the other Baumea sedgelands in the Byenup-Muir wetlands shows this pattern on this series of air photographs. Recent aerial inspections of the wetland (January 1999) indicate the Baumea no longer appears stressed but does appear to be less dense in some areas. Salinity levels reached an 8-year peak (and water levels an 8-year low) in Byenup Lagoon in 1995 (J.A.K. Lane¹ personal communication). It would be instructive to compile a time sequence of photographs covering the period 1985-1999 to determine whether the health of the Baumea sedgeland of Byenup Lagoon is correlated with salinity levels.

The seasonally inundated clay flats (sumplands) on the west side of Noobijup Nature Reserve also show severe impacts of a rising saline water table dating from 1980. In the 1980 photographs much of the private property on the eastern side of Noobijup had just been cleared and the wet clay flats were in excellent condition. Subsequent hydrological changes have resulted in significant death of both the tree and understorey layers over an extensive area in the reserve. Urgent remedial action is required to stop these impacts in the highly diverse Noobijup clay flats communities.

A salt scald has also developed on the west side of Yarnup Nature Reserve since 1980. Halse *et al.* (1993) report that this was first observed about 1988. Surprisingly, the October 1995 aerial photography shows no obvious change since 1980 in the density of the *Baumea* sedgeland in this reserve.

The observed changes seen in the *Baumea* sedgelands and wet heath communities are consistent with increases in salinity and/or water table depth (Froend and McComb 1991). The comparison of aerial photography is imprecise and subtle changes may not be apparent from these comparisons. What is clear is that there has been significant change to a number of the wetlands since 1980 and in all cases this change has been toward wetland degradation.

Significant degradation has also occurred on the *Banksia ilicifolia* woodlands (damplands) in Kodjinup Nature Reserve since 1993 as the result of installation of an approved drain (CALM 1998; Appendix 2). The drain, constructed through the central part of the reserve, has caused massive deaths of *Banksia ilicifolia* woodland and associated heath species as a result of *Phytophthora* (dieback) spread. This impact is being monitored by a series of photopoints (22 March 1997) laid along a 50-m transect perpendicular to the drain. Changes in inundation owing to drain construction have also resulted in death to small areas of jarrah woodland. The northern (upslope) section of the drain was constructed through what appear to be areas of old dieback infections.

¹ J.A.K.Lane, CALM, Busselton.

The nature conservation values of Kodjinup Nature Reserve have been severely compromised by the construction of this drain. It is clear that detailed biological and dieback assessments should be made in the appropriate season before consideration is given to granting any approval to establish drains into any conservation reserve of the Byenup-Muir system. The dieback hazard of the low-lying areas of the Byenup-Muir reserves system should be considered moderate-to-high. Extensive areas of dead *Banksia ilicifolia* woodland were also observed along the Muir Highway and on the southern boundary of Kodjinup Nature Reserve.

Some degraded vegetation was mapped at the southern end of Lake Muir (Map 5). This was investigated during the aerial survey of the Lake Muir vegetation and appears to be an *Armillaria* infection. This needs to be investigated further.

CONCLUSIONS

The wetlands of the Byenup-Muir reserve system have very high conservation values in terms of total flora diversity, diversity of rare and priority taxa, and diversity of plant communities and their complex mosaic and gradational patterning. This study has shown that the flora of the area is not well known and with further survey work more species will be recorded, especially in Lake Muir Nature Reserve.

The Byenup-Muir wetland system is listed in the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia (ANCA 1996) under Byenup Lagoon system (including 11 nature reserves) and Lake Muir listings. The flora and vegetation of the Byenup-Muir wetland system would meet at least four Ramsar Convention criteria for listing as Wetlands of International Importance (ANCA 1996). (Criteria 1a-it. is a particularly good representative example of natural or near natural wetland, characteristic of the appropriate biogeographical region; Criteria 1d - it is an example of a specific type of wetland, rare or unusual in the appropriate biogeographical region; Criteria 2a - it supports an appreciable assemblage of rare, vulnerable or endangered species or subspecies of plant or animal, or an appreciable number of individuals of any one or more of these species; Criteria 2d - it is of special value for one or more endemic plant or animal species or communities.)

There has been significant degradation of some of the wetland areas in the Byenup-Muir system since 1980. The degradation has generally resulted from changes in the hydrological regime or as a result of dieback. Changes in the hydrological regime have resulted from a rising water table, presumably as a consequence of land clearance, or of drainage works. The spread of dieback is correlated with drainage and road works.

The impacts of dieback spread in Kodjinup Nature Reserve since 1993 clearly show how drainage works can have a serious impact on the nature conservation values of a reserve in a short time. Detailed biological survey and dieback mapping are essential before consideration is given to granting approval for any new drainage works in conservation reserves of the Byenup-Muir system.

The designation of the Muir-Unicup catchments as a recovery catchment under the Salinity Action Plan (Government of Western Australia 1996) should provide resources to protect and manage the very significant biodiversity values of this area into the future.

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APPENDIX 1

Descriptions of 13 reserves of the Byenup-Muir reserve system. (* indicates an introduced taxon, ms indicates a manuscript name)

BOKARUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 14739 Location 34 20 09S 116 49 52E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 146 ha Class A

Biological values

Flora 371 species have been recorded from the reserve (see flora list below). These include four priority taxa (*Jacksonia sparsa* ms (Priority 3), *Schoenus benthamii* (Priority 3), *Schoenus natans* (Priority 4), *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Vegetation description Twelve vegetation units have been mapped on the reserve (Map 1).

- 1. Jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*)-marri (*E. calophylla*) forest and woodlands on laterites and lateritic gravels cover most of the reserve. The understorey is diverse in shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Hibbertia* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp., *Daviesia* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp.
- 2. Jarrah-marri open woodlands occupy the sand dune between the large wetlands. Typical understorey species include *Phyllanthus calycinus* and *Hakea ruscifolia* with *Centrolepis* spp. and *Johnsonia* spp. being the common herbs.
- 3. *Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* woodland occurred along the drainage lines on the western side of the reserve. *Pericalymma ellipticum* and *Lepidosperma longitudinale* were the dominant understorey species.
- 4. Melaleuca preissiana-Eucalyptus rudis woodland occurred on seasonally wet flats on the transition zones between the drainage lines and wetlands, and the jarrah-marri woodlands on the laterites. Again Lepidosperma longitudinale was the common understorey species.
- 5. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* low forest surrounds the major wetland on the eastern side of the reserve, at the western end of Bokarup Swamp and a small swamp on the northern boundary. These areas are inundated for long periods in winter and spring and the dense overstorey precludes development of any significant understorey layer.
- Melaleuca rhaphiophylla open woodland was found on less inundated areas than the previous unit. Eucalyptus rudis
 was also recorded from this community, while the understorey was generally dominated by Lepidosperma longitudinale
 and/or Pericalymma ellipticum.
- 7. Wet heath along the south-western shore of the eastern wetland. This unit was dominated by *Melaleuca lateritia* and once dominated this wetland. A visit in late summer showed the remains of an old post and rail fence line crossing the lake and extending into the upland vegetation on the eastern side of the lake.
- 8. Baumea sedgeland covered about half of Bokarup Swamp. This community was very species-poor, with Baumea articulata dominating in deeper water and Baumea vaginalis, B. juncea and Villarsia albiflora co-dominating in shallows near shore.
- 9. Acacia dealbata thicket occurs near the northern boundary of Bokarup Swamp on the edge of the cleared area. This introduced species appears to be the result of early rehabilitation efforts. There was little understorey under the dense canopy.
- 10. Revegetation of mostly planted eucalypt occurs in the north-west corner of the reserve.
- 11. Cleared area largely dominated by annual grasses occur in the same area as units 9 and 10. The northern end of the dune between the two major wetlands has also been cleared.
- 12. Open water dominates all of the eastern wetland and approximately half the Bokarup Swamp.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show the eastern wetland almost totally covered by a *Melaleuca lateritia* wet heath community, this is currently open water (Map 1). The heath appears to be dying from the centre in the 1980 photography. The same series of photographs show Bokarup Swamp itself was fully covered with *Baumea* sedgeland approximately half of which is now open water. The only revegetation work obvious on the 1980 photography was the *Acacia dealbata* thicket.

Disturbance or threats The cause of the major change in the wetland vegetation in this reserve is not clear but appears to have resulted from a rising water table. The occurrence of the *Acacia dealbata* thicket represents a significant potential weed threat and should be removed as soon as possible.

Bokarup Nature Reserve flora list. Aizoaceae Carpobrotus modestus Amaranthaceae Alternanthera nodiflora Ptilotus manglesii Amaryllidaceae Amaryllis belladonna Anthericaceae Agrostocrinum scabrum Arthropodium capillipes Arthropodium preissii Borya scirpoidea Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis Chamaescilla corymbosa Chamaescilla spiralis Johnsonia acaulis Johnsonia lupulina Laxmannia sessiliflora Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus patersonii Thysanotus tenellus Thysanotus thyrsoideus Thysanotus triandrus Tricoryne elatior Tricoryne humilis Apiaceae Daucus glochidiatus Eryngium pinnatifidum Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle diantha Hydrocotyle pilifera Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia candida Xanthosia huegelii Asteraceae Angianthus tomentosus Arctotheca calendula Aster subulatus Blennospora drummondii Brachyscome iberidifolia Carduus pycnocephalus Cirsium vulgare Conyza albida Cotula coronopifolia Cotula cotuloides Craspedia variabilis Euchiton gymnocephalus Hyalosperma cotula Hypochaeris glabra Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Podolepis gracilis Podotheca angustifolia Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Senecio glomeratus Senecio minimus Senecio picridioides Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus hydrophilus Sonchus oleraceus Tolpis barbata Vellereophyton dealbatum Waitzia nitida Brassicaceae Sisymbrium officinale Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii

Caryophyllaceae Cerastium glomeratum Petrorhagia velutina Casuarinaceae Allocasuarina humilis Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Brizula drummondii Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis glabra Centrolepis pilosa Centrolepis polygyna Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Wurmbea dioica ssp. alba Convolvulaceae Dichondra repens Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Crassula exserta Crassula natans Cyperaceae Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus eragrostis Cyperus tenellus Isolepis cernua Isolepis marginata Isolepis nodosa Isolepis oldfieldiana Isolepis prolifera Isolepis stellata Lepidosperma aff. angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus benthamii Schoenus curvifolius Schoenus elegans Schoenus natans Schoenus tenellus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Dasypogonaceae Chamaexeros serra Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra caespitosa Lomandra nigricans Lomandra purpurea Lomandra sericea Lomandra suaveolens Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia acerosa Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia stellaris Hibbertia vaginata Droseraceae Drosera erythrorhiza Drosera glanduligera Drosera macrantha Drosera menziesii Drosera rosulata Drosera stolonifera Epacridaceae Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum

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- Lotus angustissimus Oxylobium lineare Pultenaea ochreata Sphaerolobium medium
- Trifolium campestre
- Trifolium dubium
- . Trifolium repens
- Trifolium subterraneum
- Philydraceae

Philydrella pygmaea

Phormiaceae Dianella brevicaulis Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca

Pittosporaceae Billardiera variifolia Marianthus candidus

Sollya heterophylla Plantaginaceae

Plantago debilis Poaceae

- - Agrostis avenacea Aira caryophyllea
 - Amphipogon turbinatus Anthoxanthum odoratum Austrodanthonia occidentalis Austrostipa pycnostachya
 - Austrostipa ?trichophylla
 - Briza maxima
 - Briza minor
 - Cynodon dactylon Deyeuxia quadriseta Eragrostis elongata Hemarthria uncinata
 - Holcus lanatus
 - Hordeum leporinum Lolium multiflorum
 - Microlaena stipoides Poa poiformis
 - Stenotaphrum secundatum Tetrarrhena laevis
- Vulpia myuros Polygalaceae

Comesperma calymega Comesperma flavum Comesperma virgatum Comesperma volubile

Polygonaceae

- Muehlenbeckia adpressa Persicaria prostrata
- Rumex acetosella

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis Proteaceae

Banksia grandis Banksia littoralis Dryandra lindleyana Grevillea fasciculata

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- Xanthorrhoea preissii Zamiaceae
 - Macrozamia riedlei

COBERTUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 26681 Location 34 27 23S 116 49 50E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 151 ha Class A

Biological values

Flora 370 taxa were recorded from the reserve (see flora list below). These include two priority taxa (*Apodasmia ceramophila* ms (Priority 2) and *Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3)).

Vegetation description Ten vegetation units have been mapped on the reserve (Map 2).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland on laterite occupies the higher ground in the north-west, north-east and south-west corners of the reserve. The understorey is diverse in shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Hibbertia* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp., *Daviesia* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp.
- Jarrah-marri open woodland occupies the dune areas around the major swamps. The understorey is dominated by species such as *Phyllanthus calycinus*, *Allocasuarina humilis*, *Desmocladus flexuosus*, *Hypolaena exsulca*, and *Lyginia barbata*, taxa typical of sandy substrates. Yate (*Eucalyptus occidentalis*) was common on ecotone between this unit and the clay flats (vegetation unit 8).
- 3. *Melaleuca preissiana* woodland occurs in the south-eastern corner of the reserve. In the wettest areas *Banksia littoralis* is a co-dominant. Common understorey species include *Hakea varia, Gonocarpus paniculatus,* and *Hemarthria uncinata.* This area was recently burnt in a hot fire.
- 4. Eucalyptus decipiens woodland occurs on the northern boundary of the reserve, common elements in the understorey include Xanthorrhoea preissii, Hypocalymma angustifolium, and the sedges Mesomelaena tetragona and Tetraria octandra
- Melaleuca rhaphiophylla woodland occurs as a band around the major Baumea swamps and intergrades into Melaleuca preissiana woodland in the south-east corner of the reserve. The dominant understorey species is Lepidosperma longitudinale.
- 6. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* woodland over wet heath has also recently been burnt but appears similar in species composition to vegetation unit 8 (heathland on clay flats) with an open overstorey of *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla*.
- 7. Melaleuca lateritia-Hakea varia heath has been recently burnt in a hot fire. Most shrubs were killed and are regenerating from seed. Lepidosperma longitudinale has resprouted and is the dominant species at this time.
- 8. Heathland on clay flats are variously dominated by *Melaleuca viminea, Melaleuca densa, Kunzea micrantha* and *Astartea* sp. over a very rich and diverse herb layer including taxa such as *Rhodanthe pyrethrum, Hyalosperma simplex, Caesia micrantha, Burchardia congesta, Wurmbea dioica, Goodenia mimuloides,* and *Tribonanthes* sp. Lake Muir, rushes and annual sedges are also prolific in the understorey.
- 9. Open Baumea sedgeland occupies the western swamp, this community is very species-poor being dominated by Baumea articulata. Other sedges occurring in this sedgeland include Baumea arthrophylla and B. juncea.
- 10. Closed Baumea sedgeland occupies the eastern swamp with essentially the same species composition as vegetation unit 9, however, Baumea spp. cover is denser.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show that although there has been considerable vegetation clearance in the area around Cobertup Nature Reserve there are no obvious large scale changes to the vegetation.

Disturbance or threats On the northern boundary where run off from a dam is providing extra nutrients on the clay flat there has been considerable weed invasion. Management of this run-off is urgently needed. Further monitoring of the reserve is needed to determine whether vegetation communities are stable given the recent nature clearance of the adjoining lands.

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Pelargonium littorale

Burchardia multiflora

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Macrozamia riedlei

COWERUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 33455 Location 34 25 48S 116 25 00E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Conservation of flora and fauna Area 270 ha Class C

Biological values

Flora 185 taxa have been recorded for the reserve (see flora list below). This is likely to seriously underestimate the total flora since only minimal sampling was undertaken when the annuals were conspicuous. Four priority taxa were found (*Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3), *Schoenus benthamii* (Priority 3), *Schoenus natans* (Priority 4), and *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Vegetation description Cowerup Nature Reserve adjoins the northern boundary of the Lake Muir Nature Reserve. Consequently both reserves were mapped using the same vegetation units. Of the 30 units that occurred in Lake Muir Nature Reserve, eight were found in Cowerup Nature Reserve, one unit was too small to map (Map 5).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland on laterite and lateritic gravels occurred as small flat ridges in the sandy jarrahmarri woodlands and could not be distinguished from them on aerial photography. They occurred predominantly on the eastern boundary of the reserve. The understorey is typically diverse in shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Hibbertia* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp., *Daviesia* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp.
- Jarrah-marri open woodland on sandy soils occurs widely in the eastern half of the reserve, common understorey species include Hibbertia racemosa, Astroloma baxteri, Leucopogon spp., Phyllanthus calycinus, Acacia pulchella, Jacksonia furcellata. On wetter sites this community is replaced by jarrah-marri woodland over Agonis scrub (unit 3).
- 3. Jarrah-marri woodland over Agonis scrub occurs on seasonally wet flats; on slight sandy rises Banksia ilicifolia often becomes the dominant canopy species. Understorey development depends on density of the Agonis layer.
- 12. *Melaleuca cuticularis* woodland over wet heath forms a distinct unit in the south-western corner of the reserve. The substrate is generally clayey and this unit has a very rich and diverse annual herb layer. The Asteraceae, Centrolepidaceae, Cyperaceae, Orchidaceae, Stylidiaceae are well represented. Common perennial taxa include *Melaleuca* spp., *Kunzea micrantha* and the rushes *Apodasmia ceramophila*, *Meeboldina coangustata*, and *Meeboldina cana*.
- 14. Melaleuca preissiana woodland over wet heath occurs extensively along the wet drainage lines. The understorey is variable in the wettest sites and is generally dominated by *Pericalymma ellipticum*. On drier sites understorey is diverse with peas and Myrtaceae dominating. On the western side of the reserve *Banksia littoralis* takes over as the canopy dominant.
- 15. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* forest forms dense stands around the deepest wetland and in the wettest parts of the flats. The understorey is generally dominated by *Lepidosperma* spp. and *Baumea* spp. but where the canopy is more open a variety of shrubs such as *Hypocalymma angustifolium*, *Pericalymma ellipticum*, *Callistachys lanceolata*, *Banksia littoralis*, *Hakea sulcata* become common.
- 17. Melaleuca densa-M. viminea heath occupies drainage lines with sandy clay substrates. These areas are winter-wet and dry slowly in late spring and early summer. In the Lake Muir reserve this type of flat was characterized by aquatic taxa such as *Schoenus natans* and *Villarsia* spp. early in spring giving way to diverse herblands as the wetlands dry.
- 24. Closed Baumea sedgeland occupies basin wetlands; Baumea articulata is the dominant sedge over most of the wetland, while toward the edge B. juncea and B. vaginalis co-dominate.

Vegetation change No photographs were taken of this reserve in 1980.

Disturbance or threats The land to the west of the reserve has been cleared for some time. Aerial photography indicates this may have resulted in increased inundation in the wetlands on the western boundary. Recently a new fence and bund has been constructed along this property line. There has been some recent clearance on the south-eastern boundary.

Cowerup Nature Reserve flora list. Anthericaceae Johnsonia acaulis Apiaceae Actinotus omnifertilis Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia huegelii Asteraceae Craspedia sp. Hypochaeris glabra Podolepis gracilis Rhodanthe pyrethrum Senecio glomeratus Siloxerus humifusus Waitzia suaveolens Casuarinaceae Allocasuarina humilis Centrolepidaceae Brizula drummondii Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis glabra Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Wurmbea dioica Cupressaceae Actinostrobus pyramidalis Cyperaceae Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis Cyathochaeta avenacea Gahnia trifida Isolepis cernua Isolepis stellata Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus benthamii Schoenus efoliatus Schoenus maschalinus Schoenus natans Schoenus tenellus Tetraria octandra Tricostularia neesii var. elatior Dasypogonaceae Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra purpurea Lomandra sericea Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia stellaris Epacridaceae Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Leucopogon australis Leucopogon glabellus Leucopogon pendulus Leucopogon propinquus Lysinema ciliatum Euphorbiaceae Amperea volubilis Monotaxis occidentalis Gentianaceae Centaurium spicatum Goodeniaceae Dampiera linearis Goodenia claytoniacea

Goodenia pulchella Scaevola phlebopetala Haemodoraceae Conostylis aculeata Haloragaceae Gonocarpus hexandrus ssp. Gonocarpus paniculatus Myriophyllum ?limnophilum Iridaceae Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Juncaginaceae Triglochin huegelii Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens Lauraceae Cassytha glabella Cassytha racemosa Lentibulariaceae Polypompholyx multifida Utricularia hookeri Utricularia violacea I obeliaceae Lobelia alata Loganiaceae Phyllangium paradoxum Loranthaceae Nuytsia floribunda Menyanthaceae Villarsia albiflora Villarsia submersa Mimosaceae Acacia extensa Acacia myrtifolia Acacia saligna Acacia stenoptera Myrtaceae Actinodium cunninghamii Agonis parviceps Astartea sp. (pink weeping) Astartea sp. (white erect) Baeckea camphorosmae Calothamnus hirsutus Calothamnus lateralis Calytrix angulata Eucalyptus calophylla Eucalyptus decipiens Eucalyptus marginata Eucalyptus rudis Hypocalymma angustifolium Kunzea ericifolia Kunzea micrantha Melaleuca cordata Melaleuca cuticularis Melaleuca densa Melaleuca lateritia Melaleuca preissiana Melaleuca rhaphiophylla Melaleuca spathulata Melaleuca thymoides Melaleuca viminea Melaleuca violacea Pericalymma ellipticum Verticordia densiflora Olacaceae Olax phyllanthi Orchidaceae Caladenia flava Caladenia reptans Elythranthera brunonis Microtis atrata Microtis orbicularis Pterostylis nana Pterostylis vittata Thelymitra pauciflora

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Papilionaceae Aotus intermedia Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea rufa Brachysema melanopetalum Callistachys lanceolata Daviesia physodes Gompholobium capitatum Jacksonia furcellata Kennedia prostrata Pultenaea ochreata Pultenaea reticulata Viminaria juncea Phormiaceae Dianella revoluta Pittosporaceae Marianthus candidus Sollya heterophylla Poaceae Aira caryophyllea Amphipogon laguroides Austrodanthonia occidentalis Austrodanthonia sp. Austrostipa compressa Austrostipa pycnostachya Vulpia myuros Polygalaceae Comesperma calymega Comesperma flavum Comesperma volubile Primulaceae Samolus caespitosus Proteaceae Adenanthos obovatus Banksia grandis Banksia ilicifolia Banksia littoralis Dryandra lindleyana Hakea ceratophylla Hakea lissocarpha Hakea prostrata

Hakea ruscifolia

Hakea sulcata Hakea trifurcata Hakea undulata Hakea varia Persoonia longifolia Synaphea petiolaris Restionaceae Anarthria laevis Anarthria prolifera Anarthria scabra Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Hypolaena exsulca Lepyrodia muirii Lyginia barbata Meeboldina cana ms Meeboldina coangustata ms Meeboldina denmarkica Meeboldina scariosa ms Tremulina tremula ms Rubiaceae Opercularia hispidula Rutaceae Boronia juncea ssp. laniflora ms Boronia megastigma Boronia spathulata Santalaceae Leptomeria spinosa Leptomeria squarrulosa Selaginellaceae Selaginella gracillima Stylidiaceae Levenhookia pusilla Levenhookia stipitata Stylidium repens Stylidium scandens Tremandraceae Platytheca galioides Xanthorrhoeaceae Xanthorrhoea preissii Zamiaceae Macrozamia riedlei

GALAMUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 6549 Location 34 26 35S 116 46 10E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Conservation of flora and fauna Area 222 ha Class A

Biological values

Flora 291 taxa and one hybrid have been recorded for the reserve (see flora list below). Eight priority taxa were found (*Caladenia starteorum* ms (Priority 2), *Cryptandra arbutiflora* ssp. *minor* (Priority 1), *Leucopogon lasiophyllus* (Priority 2), *Leucopogon tamariscinus* (Priority 2), *Pterostylis turfosa* (Priority 1), *Schoenus benthamii* (Priority 3), *Schoenus Ioliaceus* (Priority 2), *Stylidium mimeticum* (Priority 3)). While the hybrid *Caladenia starteorum* x *splendens* was recorded only one of the presumed parents was seen.

Vegetation description Fourteen vegetation units were mapped on the reserve (Map 3).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland is the dominant vegetation unit of the reserve, on a mixture of both sandy and lateritic substrates. The gentle topography did not allow different substrates to be mapped. The understorey was diverse and predominantly shrubby.
- Jarrah-marri open woodland on sandy soils in the central part of the reserve had understorey species typical of damplands. The most common of these included Hypocalymma angustifolium, Kunzea micrantha, Pericalymma ellipticum, Viminaria juncea, sedge and rushes were also common.
- 3. Jarrah-marri open woodland over wet heath occurred along a drainage line on the north-eastern side of the reserve, with an understorey of scattered *Melaleuca preissiana* and a dense ground layer of *Pericalymma ellipticum* and/or *Agonis parviceps* and sedges such as *Lyginia barbata*. It also occurs in the centre of the reserve where the *Agonis* forms a dense thicket.
- 4. Eucalyptus decipiens woodland occurs in the south-eastern corner of the reserve and grades into vegetation unit 11 (heathland on clay flats). The woodland is extremely species-rich with high diversity in shrubs and herbs. Seven species of *Stylidium* were recorded.
- 5. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla-Banksia littoralis* woodland occurs around the edge of Galamup Swamp. This unit is inundated during the winter and early spring.
- 6. Melaleuca lateritia heath occurs in a small basin wetland in the centre of the reserve. Taxa such as Baumea articulata and Lepidosperma longitudinale co-occur with M. lateritia and as the wetland dries diverse annual herbland develops.
- 7. Pericalymma elliptica-Lepidosperma longitudinale heath dominates another small basin wetland in the centre of the reserve. This wetland has much lower species richness than vegetation unit 6. Schoenus loliaceus was recorded from this wetland. A few scattered Banksia littoralis were also found but most have been killed by fire.
- 8. Hakea prostrata heath occurs as a series of narrow bands within the jarrah-marri woodland (vegetation unit 1) and appears to represent minor drainage features. Shrubs associated with damplands, as well as sedges and annual herbs, are typical of this unit.
- 9. Baumea sedgeland dominates most of Galamup Swamp. Baumea articulata is dominant while toward the edge of the wetland B. juncea and B. vaginalis also occur. In the narrow transition zone between the swamp vegetation and the Melaleuca rhaphiophylla-Banksia littoralis woodland an unusual herb-sedgeland dominated by Drosera glanduligera, Poranthera microphylla, B. juncea and Villarsia albiflora was found.
- 10. Agonis heath and scrub occurred along a sandy drainage line in the northern part of the reserve. Melaleuca thymoides is a common element of this community.
- 11. Wet heath on clay flats occurs in the southern corner of the reserve. In terms of species composition it is very similar to vegetation unit 4 (*Eucalyptus decipiens* woodland) without the overstorey element.
- 12. Wet heath on sandy substrate occurs in the very centre of the reserve. This heath had a similar species composition to vegetation unit 3 (jarrah-marri woodland over wet heath) without the overstorey element.
- 13. Disturbed areas on the south-western and north-western sides have been used for gravel extraction while the area on the north-eastern boundary is a wet flat degrading as a result of nutrient-rich run-off from a dam across the fence line.
- 14. Open water occurs in the centre of Galamup Swamp.

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Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from February and April 1980 show a denser *Baumea* sedgeland in Galamup Swamp. No obvious cause is apparent for this change.

Disturbance or threats The changes to Galamup Swamp are of concern, as is the wet heath degradation on the northeastern boundary which is becoming badly weed-invaded as a result of nutrient-rich run-off from a dam on private property. Further degradation of the wet heath can be expected unless this nutrient run-off is controlled.

Galamup Nature Reserve flora list.

Amaranthaceae Ptilotus manglesii Anthericaceae Agrostocrinum scabrum Borya scirpoidea Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis Chamaescilla corymbosa Johnsonia acaulis Johnsonia lupulina Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus manglesianus Thysanotus tenellus Tricoryne humilis Tricoryne tenella Apiaceae Centella cordifolia Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle pilifera var. glabrata Platysace ?juncea Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia candida Xanthosia huegelii Asteraceae Brachyscome iberidifolia Craspedia variabilis Euchiton gymnocephalus Hyalosperma cotula Hypochaeris glabra Lagenifera huegelii Millotia tenuifolia Podolepis gracilis Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Senecio glomeratus Senecio minimus Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus asper Sonchus oleraceus Waitzia suaveolens Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii Casuarinaceae Allocasuarina humilis Allocasuarina microstachya Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis glabra Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Burchardia multiflora Cyperaceae Baumea arthrophylla Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis

Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus

Lepidosperma ?gracile Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena stygia Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus benthamii Schoenus bifidus Schoenus curvifolius Schoenus ?humilis Schoenus ?loliaceus Schoenus odontocarpus Schoenus sp. Schoenus subbulbosus Schoenus unispiculatus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Dasypogonaceae Chamaexeros serra Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra collina Lomandra sericea Lomandra suaveolens Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia acerosa Hibbertia ?amplexicaulis Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia microphylla Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia stellaris Droseraceae Drosera bulbosa Drosera erythrorhiza Drosera gigantea Drosera glanduligera Drosera heterophylla Drosera menziesii Drosera pallida Drosera rosulata Drosera stolonifera Epacridaceae Andersonia ?caerulea Astroloma microcalyx Astroloma pallidum Leucopogon australis Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon lasiophyllus Leucopogon parviflorus Leucopogon ?pendulus Leucopogon propinquus Leucopogon tamariscinus Leucopogon verticillatus Lysinema ciliatum Sphenotoma gracile Euphorbiaceae Monotaxis occidentalis Phyllanthus calycinus Poranthera microphylla Geraniaceae Pelargonium littorale

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Orchidaceae Caladenia flava Caladenia starteorum ms Caladenia starteorum x splendens Cryptostylis ovata Elythranthera brunonis Elythranthera emarginata Microtis atrata Microtis media Monadenia bracteata Prasophyllum drummondii Prasophyllum elatum Prasophyllum macrostachyum Pterostylis recurva Pterostylis turfosa Pterostylis vittata Pyrorchis nigricans Thelymitra flexuosa Thelymitra macrophylla Thelymitra pauciflora Oxalidaceae Oxalis perennans Papilionaceae Aotus intermedia Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea ornata Brachysema praemorsum Daviesia sp. Gastrolobium bilobum Gompholobium capitatum Gompholobium confertum Gompholobium marginatum Gompholobium polymorphum Gompholobium preissii Gompholobium tomentosum Hovea trisperma var. grandiflora Isotropis cuneifolia Jacksonia ?furcellata Kennedia coccinea Oxylobium lineare Sphaerolobium vimineum Viminaria juncea Philydraceae Philydrella pygmaea Phormiaceae Dianella brevicaulis Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca Pittosporaceae Sollya heterophylla Poaceae Aira caryophyllea Austrodanthonia caespitosa Austrodanthonia setacea Austrostipa compressa Austrostipa ?pycnostachya Briza maxima Briza minor Deveuxia quadriseta Neurachne alopecuroidea Tetrarrhena laevis Vulpia myuros Polygalaceae Comesperma volubile Proteaceae Adenanthos obovatus Banksia grandis Banksia littoralis Dryandra lindleyana Franklandia fucifolia Hakea lissocarpha Hakea prostrata Hakea sulcata Hakea varia Petrophile acicularis

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Synaphea petiolaris Synaphea sp. Ranunculaceae Clematis pubescens Restionaceae Anarthria laevis Anarthria prolifera Anarthria scabra Chordifex sp. Cytogonidium leptocarpoides ms Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Desmocladus flexuosus ms Harperia lateriflora Hypolaena exsulca Lyginia barbata Meeboldina kraussii ms Rhamnaceae Cryptandra arbutiflora ssp. minor Trymalium ledifolium Rubiaceae Opercularia hispidula Opercularia vaginata Rutaceae Boronia crenulata Boronia spathulata Santalaceae Leptomeria cunninghamii Leptomeria scrobiculata Leptomeria squarrulosa Schizaeaceae Schizaea dichotoma Scrophulariaceae Gratiola peruviana Parentucellia viscosa Selaginellaceae Selaginella gracillima Stackhousiaceae Stackhousia monogyna Tripterococcus brunonis

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KODJINUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 26678 Location 34 23 07S 116 39 30E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 626 ha

Biological values

Flora 341 taxa and one hybrid have been recorded from the reserve (see flora list below). This includes four priority taxa (*Jacksonia sparsa* ms (Priority 3), *Leucopogon tamariscinus* (Priority 2), *Schoenus benthamii* (Priority 3), *Stylidium mimeticum* (Priority 3)). A hybrid swarm of *Kunzea recurva* x *sulphurea* and backcrosses to both parents can be seen in several places along the southern boundary of the reserve.

Vegetation description Thirteen vegetation units were mapped in the reserve (Map 4).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland occur on laterites and lateritic gravels on the western side of the reserve. The understorey is diverse in shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Hibbertia* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp., *Daviesia* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp.
- Jarrah-marri open woodland on sandy low-lying soils is widespread in the northern and eastern parts of the reserve. The understorey is variable but includes species such as *Hibbertia racemosa, Andersonia caerulea, Astroloma baxteri, Leucopogon propinquus, Calytrix angulata* and *Melaleuca thymoides*. Where it is wettest, *Agonis parviceps* dominates. The herb layer is similarly diverse.
- 3. Banksia ilicifolia-jarrah woodland occurs commonly in the southern and western part of the reserve. This vegetation unit is a dampland with dominant understorey species including *Melaleuca thymoides, Kunzea recurva, Aotus intermedia, Pultenaea ochreata* and *Adenanthos obovatus*. In the wettest areas jarrah disappears. This community grades into vegetation unit 6 (*Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* woodland) which occupies somewhat wetter sites.
- 4. Dieback affected Banksia ilicifolia-jarrah woodland A significant area of Banksia ilicifolia woodland has been destroyed by dieback in the south-western corner of the reserve. Some trees are still standing dead, the understorey is dominated by Pultenaea ochreata.
- 5. Melaleuca cuticularis woodland occurs in the north-eastern corner of the reserve. A well developed but variable herb and sedge layer develops under the Melaleuca. Obvious species include Lepyrodia muirii, Gahnia trifida, Lepidosperma longitudinale, Cotula coronopifolia, Triglochin spp., Juncus spp., Tribonanthes spp. and Burchardia monantha. Variability in understorey species appears to be correlated with variation in sand and clay content of the soil.
- 6. *Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* woodland is a common vegetation unit on low-lying sandy areas, the understorey is quite variable depending on period of inundation. In the wettest areas *Pericalymma ellipticum* and *Lepidosperma longitudinale* form a dense understorey. In slightly drier sites this is replaced by an understorey dominated by *Melaleuca* spp. (often *M. densa, M. spathulata,* and *M. viminea*), *Kunzea recurva,* and *Viminaria juncea.*
- 7. Melaleuca preissiana woodland over Agonis scrub is a species-poor unit where the understorey is dominated by dense stands of Agonis parviceps.
- 8. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* low forest occurs around the basin wetlands and drainage lines. This unit is generally species-poor owing to the dense canopy, and the understorey is usually dominated by sedges (*Lepidosperma longitudinale, Baumea* spp.).
- 9. Open *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* low forest has a more species-rich understorey with sedges, shrubs (such as *Agonis linearifolia*, and *Aotus intermedia*) and herbs (such as *Villarsia albiflora*, *Samolus junceus*, and *Opercularia hispidula*).
- 10. Open Baumea sedgeland occurs over Kodjinup Swamp itself, Baumea articulata is the dominant sedge, while toward the edge B. juncea and B. vaginalis co-dominate.
- 11. Closed Baumea sedgeland occurs in the western basin wetland, and has an identical species composition to vegetation unit 10 but has a higher cover of the Baumea spp.
- 12. Disturbed areas associated with an old mill occur on the eastern side.
- 13. Open water occurs in small areas but may dry to herbland later in summer.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show that the *Baumea* in Kodjinup Swamp appears to have become less dense although expanses of open water are not yet apparent.

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Disturbance or threats A drain constructed through the central part of the reserve in 1993 (CALM 1998¹) has caused massive deaths of *Banksia ilicifolia* woodland and associated heath species as a result of dieback (*Phytophthora* sp.) spread. This impact is being monitored by a series of photopoints (22 March 1997) laid along a 50-m transect perpendicular to the drain. At 10-m intervals a photograph has been taken toward the east parallel to the drain. All photopoints were marked with a fence dropper. Changes in inundation owing to drain construction have resulted in death in small areas of jarrah woodland (Map 4). The northern (upslope) section of the drain was constructed through what appear to be areas of old dieback infections. The nature conservation values of this reserve have been severely compromised by the construction of this drain.

A much smaller drain directs water in wetland vegetation on the southern boundary of the reserve, there are no impacts to the vegetation at this time.

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Kodjinup Nature Reserve flora list.

Anthericaceae	Colchicaceae
Agrostocrinum scabrum	Burchardia congesta
Chamaescilla corymbosa	Burchardia monantha
Johnsonia lupulina	Burchardia multiflora
Laxmannia minor	Crassulaceae
Laxmannia sessiliflora	Crassula colorata
Thysanotus manglesianus	Cyperaceae
Thysanotus multiflorus	Baumea articulata
Thysanotus patersonii	Baumea juncea
Thysanotus tenellus	Baumea vaginalis
Tricoryne elatior	Cyathochaeta avenacea
Tricoryne humilis	 Cyperus tenellus
Apiaceae	Gahnia trifida
Actinotus glomeratus	Isolepis cernua
Centella cordifolia	Isolepis congrua
Homalosciadium homalocarpum	Isolepis ?cyperoides
Hydrocotyle alata	 * Isolepis marginata
Schoenolaena tenuior	Isolepis oldfieldiana
Trachymene pilosa	Isolepis stellata
Xanthosia atkinsoniana	Lepidosperma angustatum
Xanthosia candida	Lepidosperma longitudinale
Xanthosia ciliata	Lepidosperma squamatum
Xanthosia huegelii	Lepidosperma tenue
Asteraceae	Mesomelaena graciliceps
Angianthus preissianus	Mesomelaena tetragona
Arciotrieca calendula	Schoenus asperocarpus
Aster subulatus	Schoenus benthamii
Cirsium vulgare Catula assessmitalia	Schoenus efoliatus
Cotula coronopifolia	Schoenus humilis
Cotula cotuloides	Schoenus odontocarpus
 Hyalosperma cotula Hypochaeris glabra 	Schoenus plumosus
Lagenifera huegelii	Schoenus submicrostachyus
Millotia myosotidifolia	Tetraria capillaris
Olearia elaeophila	Tetraria octandra
Pithocarpa pulchella	Tricostularia neesii var. neesii
Pogonolepis stricta	Dasypogonaceae Dasypogon bromeliifolius
* Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum	Lomandra hermaphrodita
Rhodanthe citrina	Lomandra micrantha
Senecio minimus	Lomandra sericea
Siloxerus humifusus	Dennstaedtiaceae
Sonchus asper	Pteridium esculentum
* Sonchus hydrophilus	Dilleniaceae
Campanulaceae	Hibbertia ?amplexicaulis
Wahlenbergia multicaulis	Hibbertia commutata
Wahlenbergia preissii	Hibbertia pulchra
Wahlenbergia stricta	Hibbertia racemosa
Casuarinaceae	Hibbertia stellaris
Allocasuarina humilis	Hibbertia vaginata
Centrolepidaceae	Droseraceae
Aphelia cyperoides	Drosera erythrorhiza
Brizula drummondii	Drosera gigantea
Centrolepis aristata	Drosera glanduligera
Centrolepis drummondiana	Drosera menziesii
Centrolepis glabra	Drosera pallida
Centrolepis polygyna	Drosera stolonifera

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Epacridaceae Andersonia caerulea Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum Leucopogon australis Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon glabellus Leucopogon oxycedrus Leucopogon ?polymorphus Leucopogon propinquus Leucopogon tamariscinus Leucopogon unilateralis Leucopogon verticillatus Lysinema ciliatum Styphelia tenuiflora Euphorbiaceae Monotaxis occidentalis Poranthera microphylla Goodeniaceae Anthotium humile Dampiera alata Dampiera cuneata Dampiera ?juncea Dampiera linearis Dampiera ?pedunculata Dampiera aff. triloba Goodenia claytoniacea Goodenia micrantha Goodenia pulchella Velleia trinervis Haemodoraceae Anigozanthos bicolor Anigozanthos flavidus Conostylis aculeata Conostylis laxiflora Conostylis setigera Haemodorum laxum Haemodorum spicatum Tribonanthes australis Tribonanthes violacea Haloragaceae Glischrocaryon aureum Gonocarpus hexandrus ssp. integrifolius Gonocarpus paniculatus Hydatellaceae Trithuria bibracteata Trithuria submersa Iridaceae Gladiolus undulatus Patersonia juncea Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Juncaceae Juncus bufonius Juncus capitatus Juncus kraussii Juncus pallidus Juncaginaceae Triglochin calcitrapum Triglochin centrocarpum Triglochin huegelii Triglochin striatum Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens Lauraceae Cassytha glabella Cassytha micrantha Cassytha racemosa Lentibulariaceae Polypompholyx multifida Lindsaeaceae Lindsaea linearis Lobeliaceae Lobelia alata

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Hakea rusciloi Hakea sp.

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KULUNILUP NATURE RESERVE

Class A

Reserve number 26677 Location 34 20 05S 116 47 16E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 612 ha

Biological values

Flora Using Griffin² (1984) data as a basis, a flora list of 432 taxa was compiled from the reserve (see flora list below). This included seven priority taxa (*Amphibromus vickeryae* (Priority 1), *Apodasmia ceramophila* ms (Priority 2), *Euchiton gymnocephalus* (Priority 3), *Phyllangium palustre* (Priority 2), *Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3), *Schoenus natans* (Priority 4), *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Vegetation description Griffin (1984) mapped the reserve and described 11 vegetation units. Brief descriptions of these units are given below.

- 3(I). Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 2) [bottom of lateritic ridges]. Jarrah-marri forest at the base of lateritic ridges, essentially similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 1.
- 3/9. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 2)/Agonis parviceps thicket Variable unit similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 2, common on low-lying sandy substrates.
- 4/6. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah)-E. wandoo forest/Hakea prostrata Low Scrub A A variable unit dominated by jarrah and/or wandoo, occasionally marri, over a Hakea prostrata-Hypocalymma angustifolia heath with sedges Mesomelaena tetragona and M. stygia. This unit occupies old sandy drainage lines.
- Hakea prostrata low scrub A Similar to unit 4/6 without the overstorey. Essentially the same as Galamup vegetation unit 8.
- 10. *Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* open low woodland A A complex unit essentially similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 6.
- 12. Melaleuca lateritia dense low heath Essentially similar to Galamup vegetation unit 6, these are small basin wetlands on loamy clays.
- 13. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* dense low forest B Occurs as circular or ring shaped areas in the centre of some basin wetlands. This unit is equivalent to Muir vegetation unit 15.
- 19. Baumea sedges Occupying basin wetlands, essentially the same as Kodjinup vegetation units 10 and 11.
- 22. Melaleuca viminea heath Occurring on grey clayey soils, with a variable understorey of Baumea sp. and Leptocarpus aristatus.
- 23. *Melaleuca spathulata* complex Very variable unit of poorly drained flats. Its composition depends on drainage conditions; in the wettest areas *M. spathulata* forms a dense heath, in the drier peripheral zones it is more similar to vegetation unit 10.
- 24. Leptocarpus sedges Clay flats dominated by Apodasmia ceramophila ms. Griffin (1984) states that there are few herbs, however, these winter-wet flats have a diverse annual herb flora in spring and early summer as these seasonally inundated wetlands dry.

Disturbed areas Not mapped by Griffin (1984) but used in compiling species lists.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show little change to the central wetland.

Disturbance or threats Recent aerial photography and on-the-ground inspections show several major drains entering the reserve. Of particular concern is the impact on the *Melaleuca spathulata* heath in the north-eastern corner of the reserve. Presently the community is very open with large areas of bare ground. This may be the result of salinity, and needs to be investigated using a time series of aerial photography to determine whether this is the case and, if so, the rate of spread of this impact.

Other major drains enter the reserve from the west and south. No obvious impacts from these drains are apparent at this time.

² Griffin, E.A. (1984). Vegetation survey of three nature reserves in the Lake Unicup complex (Lake Unicup, Kulunilup Lake and Yarnup Lake). A report for Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Perth.

Casuarinaceae

Kulunilup Nature Reserve flora list. Aizoaceae Carpobrotus edulis Carpobrotus modestus Amaranthaceae Alternanthera nodiflora Anthericaceae Agrostocrinum scabrum Arthropodium preissii Borya scirpoidea Borya sphaerocephala Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis Chamaescilla corymbosa Chamaescilla spiralis Johnsonia lupulina Laxmannia minor Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus manglesianus Thysanotus tenellus Tricoryne elatior Tricoryne humilis Apiaceae Centella cordifolia Daucus glochidiatus Eryngium pinnatifidum Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle diantha Hydrocotyle pilifera Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia candida Xanthosia huegelii Asteraceae Angianthus preissianus Angianthus tomentosus Arctotheca calendula Asteridea athrixioides Blennospora drummondii Brachyscome iberidifolia Carduus pycnocephalus Cotula coronopifolia Craspedia variabilis Dittrichia graveolens Euchiton gymnocephalus Euchiton sphaericus Gnephosis tenuissima Hyalosperma simplex Hypochaeris glabra Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Olearia paucidentata Podolepis gracilis Podotheca angustifolia Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Rhodanthe citrina Rhodanthe pyrethrum Rutidosis multiflora Senecio minimus Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus asper Sonchus hydrophilus Sonchus oleraceus Trichocline sp. Vellereophyton dealbatum Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii

Caryophyllaceae

Cerastium glomeratum

Allocasuarina humilis Allocasuarina lehmanniana Allocasuarina thuvoides Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Brizula drummondii Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis glabra Centrolepis pilosa Centrolepis polygyna Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Burchardia multiflora Wurmbea dioica Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Crassula decumbens var. decumbens Crassula natans Crassula pedicellosa Crassula peduncularis Cupressaceae Actinostrobus pyramidalis Cyperaceae Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea rubiginosa Baumea ?vaginalis Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus Eleocharis sphacelata Gahnia ancistrophylla Gahnia trifida Isolepis cernua Isolepis marginata Isolepis oldfieldiana Isolepis sp. Isolepis stellata Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma sp. Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena stygia Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus bifidus Schoenus efoliatus Schoenus elegans Schoenus natans Schoenus sp. Schoenus subbulbosus Schoenus tenellus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Dasypogonaceae Chamaexeros serra Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra caespitosa Lomandra collina Lomandra micrantha Lomandra nigricans Lomandra purpurea Lomandra sonderi Lomandra suaveolens Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia ?commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia gracilipes

- Hibbertia spicata ssp. spicata

Hibbertia racemosa

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LAKE MUIR RESERVE

Reserve number 31880 Location 34 29 08S 116 43 24E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 11 311 ha Class A

Biological values

Flora 737 taxa and one hybrid were recorded from the reserve (see flora list below). This list included three Declared Rare Flora (*Caladenia christineae* ms, *Caladenia harringtoniae*, *Diuris drummondii*) and 19 priority taxa (*Amphibromus vickeryae* (Priority 1), *Anthotium junciforme* (Priority 4), *Apodasmia ceramophila* ms (Priority 2), *Caladenia starteorum* ms (Priority 2), *Eryngium* sp. Lake Muir (E Wittwer 2293) (Priority 1), *Euchiton gymnocephalus* (Priority 3), *Euphrasia scabra* (Priority 2), *Jacksonia sparsa* ms (Priority 3), *Leucopogon tamariscinus* (Priority 2), *Lilaeopsis polyantha* (Priority 2), *Melaleuca pritzelii* (Priority 2), *Phyllangium palustre* (Priority 2), *Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3), *Schoenus capillifolius* (Priority 2), *Schoenus natans* (Priority 4), *Stylidium lepidum* (Priority 3), *Stylidium rhipidium* (Priority 1), *Synaphea decumbens* (Priority 1), *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Of these taxa *Eryngium* sp. Lake Muir (*E. Wittwer* 2293) appears to be endemic to the Lake Muir area. The two large populations of *Euphrasia scabra* are the only extant locations known for this taxon in WA, it has been recommended for listing as nationally critical based on population declines in the eastern States. The shrublands and forests surrounding Lake Muir contain the only known populations of *Lilaeopsis polyantha* in WA. The aquatic sedge *Schoenus natans* has recently been delisted as Declared Rare Flora based on the large population of this taxon in Lake Muir Nature Reserve and several other nature reserves in the area. It was previously believed to be restricted to the Swan Coastal Plain (Keighery and Keighery 1996).

Vegetation description 31 vegetation units have been mapped in the reserve, wet heaths and scrubs predominate in the northern section of the reserve while eucalypt woodlands are more common in the south (Map 5).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland on laterite and lateritic gravels cover a small area in the south-eastern corner of the reserve. The understorey is typically diverse in shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Hibbertia* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp., *Daviesia* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp.
- Jarrah-marri open woodland on sandy soils occurs widely in the southern half of the reserve, common understorey
 species include Hibbertia racemosa, Hibbertia subvaginata, Astroloma baxteri, Leucopogon spp., Phyllanthus calycinus,
 Acacia pulchella, Jacksonia furcellata. There is generally a very rich and diverse herb layer and orchids are numerous
 early in the spring. Toward the northern part of the reserve, this vegetation unit is replaced by jarrah-yate woodlands
 (unit 4).
- 3. Jarrah-marri woodland over Agonis scrub occurs along seasonally-wet drainage lines and in the swales between the dunes to the east of Lake Muir. Typically the Agonis scrub is very dense with little or no other understorey.
- 4. Jarrah-yate woodland occurs on the large dune bordering the eastern side of Lake Muir and sandy flats in the northern part of the reserve. Elsewhere on the reserve it is replaced by vegetation unit 3 (jarrah-marri woodlands on sand). Both units have very similar understorey composition. Where the jarrah-yate community has been grazed weed diversity is high.
- 5. Jarrah woodland over *Hakea oleifolia* heath occurs on the red dunes to the east of Poorginup Swamp. This soil unit was not seen elsewhere in the reserve.
- 6. Eucalyptus decipiens woodland, similar to those occurring in Galamup and Cobertup Nature Reserves, is found in a small area on the wet clayey flats north of the Muir Highway. Allocasuarina lehmanniana, Allocasuarina microstachya, Leucopogon australis, Darwinia vestita, and Aotus intermedia are common components of the understorey. There is also a rich and diverse herb and sedge layer.
- 7. Eucalyptus rudis woodland occurs in small patches on wet flats and small rises. The understorey is typical of seasonally-inundated situations and includes Anigozanthos flavidus, Agonis parviceps, Kunzea ericifolia, Viminaria juncea, Hakea ceratophylla, and Hakea varia. Orchids were common in this unit in early spring.
- Eucalyptus rudis woodland on sand dunes occurs on the eastern side of most of the basin wetlands. These
 woodlands tended to be quite weedy reflecting a history of past grazing. E. rudis woodland is replaced by yate
 woodland (vegetation unit 31) on the fringing dunes of Lake Muir, understorey composition is essentially similar.
- Banksia ilicifolia woodland occurs in small patches along and to the north of the Muir Highway. Extensive areas of dieback are apparent. In dieback-free areas a diverse understorey of peas, epacrids, and Myrtaceae is present. Schoenus spp. and Mesomelaena tetragona are also common.

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- 10. Melaleuca cuticularis complex The wet flats in the northern half of the reserve are mostly covered by Melaleuca shrublands and/or woodlands in a complex mosaic. One of the most variable is the Melaleuca cuticularis complex, which ranges from woodland to very open woodland to wet heath with occasional *M. cuticularis* trees. Understorey is also variable, apparently related to period of inundation, but generally includes Astartea spp., Melaleuca densa, Hypocalymma angustifolium, Hakea varia, Harperia lateriflora and Meeboldina cana. The Lake Muir endemic Eryngium sp. Lake Muir is also found in this unit.
- 11. *Melaleuca cuticularis* woodland over *Gahnia* sedgeland is a distinct unit occurring on the flats along the edge of Lake Muir. This unit is quite species poor.
- 12. Melaleuca cuticularis woodland over wet heath forms a distinct unit in the south-eastern part of the reserve. The substrate is generally clayey and this unit has a very rich and diverse annual herb layer. The Asteraceae, Centrolepidaceae, Cyperaceae, Orchidaceae, Stylidiaceae are well represented. Common perennial taxa include Melaleuca spp., Kunzea micrantha and the rushes Apodasmia ceramophila, Meeboldina coangustata, and Meeboldina cana.
- 13. Melaleuca preissiana-Kunzea sulphurea woodland occurs as a small unit on drainage lines on the southern boundary of the reserve.
- 14. *Melaleuca preissiana* woodland over wet heath occurs extensively north of the Muir Highway. The understorey is variable and in the wettest sites is generally dominated by *Pericalymma ellipticum*. On drier sites the understorey is diverse with peas and Myrtaceae dominating.
- 15. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* forest forms dense stands around basin wetland and in the wettest parts of the flats. The understorey is generally dominated by *Lepidosperma* spp. and *Baumea* spp. but where the canopy is more open a variety of shrubs such as *Hypocalymma angustifolium*, *Pericalymma ellipticum*, *Callistachys lanceolata*, *Banksia littoralis*, *Hakea sulcata* become common.
- 16. Melaleuca-Kunzea scrub occurs on the clay flats near Wimbalup Swamp, dominant Melaleuca spp. include M. viminalis, M. densa, M. ?spathulata. The annual herb layer is again very diverse with an aquatic flora (e.g. Schoenus natans, Villarsia submersa) giving way to a sequence of annual Asteraceae, Centrolepidaceae, Cyperaceae and Stylidiaceae as the wetlands dry.
- 17. Melaleuca densa-M. viminea heath was a widespread unit in the northern area of the reserve occupying both sandy and sandy clay substrates. These areas are winter-wet and dry slowly in late spring and early summer. Aquatic taxa such as Schoenus natans and Villarsia spp. are widespread in early spring giving way to herbs as the wetlands dry. It was in this community that Euphrasia scabra was found. Two large populations were located and more populations may occur.
- 18. Melaleuca densa-M. viminea thicket can develop on long-inundated sites, where diversity drops as the canopy closes over.
- 19. Mixed Melaleuca heath occurs in low lying flats in the southern half of the reserve. Composition is variable: Sphaerolobium vimineum, Eutaxia virgata, Hakea ceratophylla, Aotus intermedia, and Calothamnus lateralis are common. On small rises this unit intergrades with the sandy jarrah unit (unit 2). In the wettest areas it gives way to the wet heath unit (unit 21) often dominated by Pericalymma ellipticum. Units 17, 18 and 19 occupy similar positions in the landscape and may reflect differences in fire age and/or period of winter inundation.
- 20. Hakea prostrata heath is a very small unit in Lake Muir but has essentially the same species composition to that of the same unit in Galamup Nature Reserve.
- 21. Wet heath occupies very wet sandy sites and is generally dominated by *Pericalymma ellipticum* and *Lepidosperma longitudinale*. On more clayey substrates this community grades into the *Melaleuca* shrublands (units 16–19). This unit is most common in the northern part of the reserve.
- 22. Gahnia sedgeland occurs in the shallow swales along the edge of Lake Muir. This community is very species-poor, being dominated by Gahnia trifida. This unit grades into unit 11.
- 23. Open Baumea sedgeland occupies basin wetlands. In the deeper water Baumea articulata is the sole dominant, closer to the shore B. juncea and B. arthrophylla occur. Around the edge of these wetlands taxa such as Utricularia australis, Cotula coronopifolia, Centrolepis polygyna, Juncus bufonius, Villarsia albiflora and Microtis atrata can also be found.
- 24. Closed Baumea sedgeland occupies basin wetlands and is essentially similar to unit 23, however, the Baumea articulata tends to be denser.

- **25. Dying Baumea sedgeland** The Baumea articulata in Byenup Lagoon appears to be dying on the aerial photography taken on the 23rd October1995 (WA3619–5051). This photo shows most of the sedgeland to be bright orange in colour, generally indicative of stress. Recent aerial inspection found a recovery of the sedgeland but that the sedgeland now appears more open than in 1995. It is not clear as to the cause of this apparent decline but it does coincide with an 8-year peak in salinity levels in the lagoon (J.A.K. Lane, personal communication).
- 26. Riparian vegetation (not mapped) Incised creek lines had a narrow but distinctive vegetation unit associated with them: this unit was too small to map. The overstorey was *Agonis* or *Callistachys* with a dense shrub layer of *Brachysema melanopetalum*. The poorly collected orchid *Gastrodia lacista* was found in these habitats.
- 27. Samphire flats occur along the shore of Lake Muir between the shore and the Gahnia sedgeland. Common species include Halosarcia indica, Halosarcia leptoclada, Sarcocornia quinqueflora, Suaeda australis and Wilsonia backhousei.
- 28. Cleared land occurs on a portion of the reserve north-west of Byenup Lagoon. This area is largely covered by pasture grasses and weeds, although some revegetation of the shrub and tree layer is occurring. A block of private land west of Poorginup Swamp has previously been cleared, but is also slowly revegetating.
- **29.** Armillaria-affected shrubland Part of the Melaleuca preissiana-Kunzea sulphurea woodland north of Poorginup Swamp appears to be affected by canker, possibly Armillaria. This needs further investigation.
- 30. Open water occurs on most of the larger basin wetlands.
- 31. Yate woodland on sand dunes replaces the more widespread fringing *E. rudis* woodland (vegetation unit 8) on the eastern shore of Lake Muir.

Vegetation change Photographs of three wetlands to the east of Lake Muir from April show little change with recent aerial photography. The photo of Byenup shows healthy *Baumea* sedgeland, dense around open water and more interspersed with clumps of *Melaleuca* and small patches of open water away from the major water body. As outlined above (vegetation unit 25) 1995 aerial photography appears to show the *Baumea* in a very stressed condition. Recent aerial survey indicates the *Baumea* sedgeland is in good condition but appears to have become more open.

Disturbance or threats (1) Drainage patterns and salinity levels in Byenup Lagoon should be investigated as a matter of priority in an attempt to identify the cause of the apparent collapse of the *Baumea* sedgeland in this wetland. A series of aerial photos over time should be assembled to confirm whether the health of the *Baumea* sedgeland is correlated with salinity levels. If this proves to be the case then management of salt loads in the lagoon would need to be kept well below the 1995 levels. (2) A series of illegal drains have been constructed into the eastern side reserve during the course of this study. Significant impacts owing to salinity and changes to inundation period could be expected. (3) The block of private land west of Poorginup Swamp should be acquired to protect Tordit-Gurrup Lagoon and Poorginup Swamp. These are two of the wetland systems in the best condition within the Lake Muir reserve. Any attempt to farm this land could put them at serious risk. (4) Vegetation unit 29 needs investigation to determine whether it is a result of fungal canker.

Lake Muir Nature Reserve flora list.	Tricoryne elatior		
	Tricoryne humilis		
Aizoaceae	Tricoryne tenella		
Carpobrotus modestus	Apiaceae		
Amaranthaceae	Actinotus glomeratus Actinotus omnifertilis		
Alternanthera nodiflora Hemichroa diandra	Apium annuum		
Ptilotus drummondii	Apium prostratum		
Ptilotus manglesii	Centella cordifolia Daucus glochidiatus		
Anthericaceae	Eryngium pinnatifidum		
Agrostocrinum scabrum Arthropodium capillipes	Eryngium sp. Lake Muir (E. Wittwer 1193)		
Arthropodium preissii Borya scirpoidea Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis	Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle diantha		
			Hydrocotyle pilifera
	Chamaescilla corymbosa	Lilaeopsis polyantha Platysace haplosciadia	
Chamaescilla spiralis Johnsonia acaulis	Platysace filiformis		
Johnsonia lupulina	Schoenolaena juncea		
Laxmannia minor	Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa		
Laxmannia sessiliflora	Xanthosia candida		
Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus multiflorus	Xanthosia huegelii		
Thysanotus patersonii Thysanotus tenellus Thysanotus thyrsoideus	Asteraceae		
	Angianthus preissianus Angianthus sp.		

- Arctotheca calendula
- Aster subulatus Asteridea pulverulenta Blennospora drummondii Blennospora sp. Brachyscome bellidioides Brachyscome iberidifolia Calotis erinacea
- Carduus pycnocephalus
- Centaurea melitensis
- Cirsium vulgare
 Conyza albida Cotula australis Cotula coronopifolia Cotula cotuloides
- Cotula turbinata Craspedia variabilis
- Dittrichia graveolens Euchiton gymnocephalus Euchiton sphaericus Gnephosis sp.
- Hedypnois rhagadioloides Hyalosperma cotula
- Hypochaeris glabra Ixiolaena viscosa
 Lactuca serriola
- Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Millotia tenuifolia Olearia axillaris Olearia elaeophila Podolepis gracilis Podolepis lessonii Podotheca angustifolia Pogonolepis stricta
- Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Rhodanthe pyrethrum Rutidosis multiflora Senecio glomeratus Senecio lautus Senecio ninimus Senecio picridioides Senecio quadridentatus Siloxerus humifusus
- Sonchus asper
- Sonchus hydrophilus
 Sonchus oleraceus Trichocline sp.
- Trichocline spathulata
- Ursinia anthemoides
- Vellereophyton dealbatum Vittadinia australasica var. australasica Waitzia nitida Waitzia suaveolens

Brassicaceae

- Cardamine paucijuga
- Lepidium africanum
- Callitrichaceae
- Callitriche stagnalis

Campanulaceae

- Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii
- Caryophyllaceae
 - Cerastium glomeratum
 - Corrigiola litoralis
 - Petrorhagia velutina
 - Spergularia salina
- Casuarinaceae
 - Allocasuarina humilis
 - Allocasuarina lehmanniana
 - Allocasuarina microstachya
- Centrolepidaceae
 - Aphelia cyperoides Brizula drummondii

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Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis glabra Centrolepis humillima Centrolepis mutica Centrolepis pilosa Centrolepis polygyna Chenopodiaceae Atriplex prostrata ÷. Chenopodium murale Halosarcia indica Halosarcia leptoclada Rhagodia baccata Sarcocornia quinqueflora Suaeda australis Clusiaceae Hypericum gramineum Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Burchardia multiflora Wurmbea dioica Convolvulaceae Dichondra repens Wilsonia backhousei Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Crassula natans Crassula pedicellosa Crassula peduncularis Cupressaceae Actinostrobus acuminatus Actinostrobus pyramidalis Cyperaceae Baumea arthrophylla Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis Carex appressa Carex preissil Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyathochaeta clandestina Cyperus tenellus Gahnia ancistrophylla Gahnia trifida Isolepis cernua Isolepis cyperoides Isolepis fluitans Isolepis marginata Isolepis nodosa Isolepis oldfieldiana Isolepis producta Isolepis prolifera Isolepis stellata Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma gladiatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena stygia Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus bifidus Schoenus capillifolius Schoenus curvifolius Schoenus efoliatus Schoenus humilis Schoenus laevigatus Schoenus maschalinus Schoenus nanus Schoenus natans Schoenus plumosus Schoenus rigens Schoenus sp.

Schoenus subbulbosus Schoenus submicrostachyus

Schoenus tenellus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Tricostularia neesii var. elatior Dasypogonaceae Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra caespitosa Lomandra nigricans Lomandra purpurea Lomandra sericea Lomandra sonderi Lomandra suaveolens Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia acerosa Hibbertia amplexicaulis Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia spicata Hibbertia stellaris Hibbertia subvaginata Hibbertia vaginata Droseraceae Drosera bulbosa Drosera erythrorhiza Drosera gigantea Drosera glanduligera Drosera macrantha Drosera menziesii Drosera neesii Drosera pallida Drosera pulchella Drosera stolonifera Epacridaceae Andersonia caerulea Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum Leucopogon australis Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon conostephioides Leucopogon glabellus Leucopogon parviflorus Leucopogon pendulus Leucopogon propinguus Leucopogon pulchellus Leucopogon sprengelioides Leucopogon tamariscinus Leucopogon unilateralis Leucopogon verticillatus Lysinema ciliatum Needhamiella pumilio Sphenotoma gracile Styphelia tenuiflora Euphorbiaceae Amperea simulans Monotaxis occidentalis Phyllanthus calycinus Poranthera huegelii Poranthera microphylla Fumariaceae Fumaria capreolata Gentianaceae Centaurium erythraea Centaurium spicatum Cicendia filiformis Geraniaceae Erodium botrys Erodium cicutarium Erodium moschatum Geranium solanderi

Pelargonium littorale

Goodeniaceae Anthotium humile Anthotium junciforme Dampiera alata Dampiera linearis Dampiera pedunculata Dampiera trigona Goodenia claytoniacea Goodenia micrantha Goodenia mimuloides Goodenia pulchella Lechenaultia expansa Scaevola globulifera Scaevola lanceolata Scaevola phlebopetala Velleia trinervis Haemodoraceae Anigozanthos bicolor Anigozanthos flavidus Anigozanthos manglesii Anigozanthos viridis Anigozanthos bicolor x manglesii Conostylis aculeata Conostylis laxiflora Conostylis setigera Haemodorum laxum Haemodorum simplex Haemodorum sparsiflorum Haemodorum spicatum Tribonanthes australis Tribonanthes brachypetala Tribonanthes longipetala Tribonanthes violacea Haloragaceae Glischrocaryon aureum Gonocarpus cordiger Gonocarpus paniculatus Haloragis brownii Myriophyllum crispatum Myriophyllum drummondii Myriophyllum tillaeoides Hydatellaceae Trithuria bibracteata Trithuria submersa Hypoxidaceae Hypoxis occidentalis Iridaceae Homeria flaccida Patersonia juncea Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Patersonia umbrosa . Romulea rosea Isoetaceae Isoetes drummondii Juncaceae Juncus bufonius Juncus capitatus Juncus kraussii Juncus pallidus Luzula meridionalis Juncaginaceae Triglochin calcitrapum Triglochin centrocarpum Triglochin huegelii Triglochin lineare Triglochin minutissimum Triglochin mucronatum Triglochin striatum Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens Lauraceae Cassytha flava Cassytha glabella Cassytha micrantha Cassytha racemosa

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Lentibulariaceae Polypompholyx multifida Polypompholyx tenella Utricularia australis Utricularia inaequalis Utricularia simplex Utricularia sp. Utricularia violacea Utricularia volubilis Linaceae Linum marginale Lindsaeaceae Lindsaea linearis Lobeliaceae Isotoma hypocrateriformis Isotoma scapigera Lobelia alata Lobelia gibbosa Lobelia rhombifolia Loganiaceae Logania campanulata Logania serpyllifolia Phyllangium palustre Phyllangium paradoxum Loranthaceae Amyema miquelii Nuytsia floribunda Lycopodiaceae Phylloglossum drummondii Lythraceae Lythrum hyssopifolia Malvaceae Lawrencia spicata Malva parviflora Sida hookeriana Marsileaceae Pilularia novae-hollandiae Menyanthaceae Villarsia albiflora Villarsia capitata Villarsia parnassifolia Villarsia submersa Villarsia violifolia Mimosaceae Acacia alata Acacia cochlearis Acacia cyclops Acacia extensa Acacia huegelii Acacia incurva Acacia latipes ssp. latipes ms Acacia myrtifolia Acacia nervosa Acacia pentadenia Acacia pulchella Acacia pulchella var. goadbyi Acacia saligna Acacia stenoptera Acacia urophylla Acacia willdenowiana Molluginaceae Macarthuria apetala Myoporaceae Myoporum caprarioides Myrtaceae Actinodium cunninghamii Agonis hypericifolia Agonis linearifolia Agonis parviceps Astartea fascicularis Astartea sp. (pink weeping) Astartea sp. (white erect) Baeckea camphorosmae Baeckea pygmaea Calothamnus lateralis Calothamnus lehmannii

Calytrix angulata Calytrix flavescens Calytrix leschenaultii Darwinia oederoides Darwinia vestita Eucalyptus calophylla Eucalyptus cornuta Eucalyptus decipiens Eucalyptus marginata Eucalyptus megacarpa Eucalyptus occidentalis Eucalyptus patens Eucalyptus rudis Hypocalymma angustifolium Kunzea ericifolia Kunzea micrantha Kunzea recurva Kunzea sulphurea Melaleuca cordata Melaleuca cuticularis Melaleuca densa Melaleuca lateriflora Melaleuca lateritia Melaleuca leptoclada Melaleuca preissiana Melaleuca pritzelii Melaleuca rhaphiophylla Melaleuca spathulata Melaleuca thymoides Melaleuca viminea Melaleuca violacea Pericalymma ellipticum Verticordia densiflora Verticordia densiflora ssp. caespitosa Verticordia habrantha Verticordia plumosa Olacaceae Olax phyllanthi Onagraceae Epilobium billardierianum Ophioglossaceae Ophioglossum lusitanicum Orchidaceae Caladenia caesarea Caladenia caesarea ssp. caesarea ms Caladenia christineae ms Caladenia drummondii Caladenia ferruginea Caladenia flava Caladenia harringtoniae Caladenia latifolia Caladenia longicauda Caladenia longiclavata Caladenia macrostylis Caladenia marginata Caladenia nana Caladenia radiata Caladenia reptans Caladenia starteorum ms Caladenia varians ssp. varians ms Corybas recurvus Cryptostylis ovata Cyanicula deformis ms Cyanicula gemmata ms Cyrtostylis huegelii Diuris drummondii Diuris laxiflora Diuris longifolia Drakaea glyptodon Drakaea livida Drakonorchis barbarossa ms Elythranthera brunonis Elythranthera emarginata Eriochilus dilatatus Eriochilus dilatatus ssp. undulatus ms

Gastrodia lacista

Leporella fimbriata Leptoceras menziesii Microtis atrata Microtis media Microtis orbicularis Monadenia bracteata Paracaleana nigrita Praecoxanthus aphyllus ms Prasophyllum drummondii Prasophyllum elatum Prasophyllum fimbria Prasophyllum macrostachyum Prasophyllum plumiforme Pterostylis barbata Pterostylis nana Pterostylis pyramidalis Pterostylis recurva Pterostylis vittata Pyrorchis nigricans Thelymitra antennifera Thelymitra benthamiana Thelymitra crinita Thelymitra cucullata Thelymitra flexuosa Thelymitra fuscolutea Thelymitra nuda Thelymitra pauciflora Orobanchaceae Orobanche minor Oxalidaceae Oxalis perennans Papilionaceae Aotus intermedia Bossiaea aquifolium Bossiaea eriocarpa Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea ornata Bossiaea rufa Brachysema melanopetalum Brachysema praemorsum Callistachys lanceolata Chorizema nanum Daviesia cordata Daviesia hakeoides Daviesia physodes Daviesia preissii Eutaxia virgata Gastrolobium bilobum Gompholobium capitatum Gompholobium confertum Gompholobium knightianum Gompholobium marginatum Gompholobium ovatum Gompholobium polymorphum Gompholobium preissii Gompholobium scabrum Gompholobium tomentosum Hardenbergia comptoniana Hovea chorizemifolia Hovea elliptica Hovea trisperma Hovea trisperma var. grandiflora Isotropis cuneifolia Jacksonia furcellata Jacksonia sparsa ms Kennedia coccinea Kennedia prostrata Latrobea tenella Lotus angustissimus Ornithopus compressus Oxylobium lineare Pultenaea ericifolia Pultenaea ochreata Pultenaea reticulata Sphaerolobium linophyllum Sphaerolobium medium

Sphaerolobium vimineum Trifolium arvense Trifolium campestre Trifolium dubium Trifolium fragiferum Trifolium glomeratum Trifolium repens Trifolium subterraneum Viminaria juncea Philydraceae Philydrella drummondii Philydrella pygmaea Phormiaceae Dianella brevicaulis Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca Pinaceae Pinus pinaster Pittosporaceae Billardiera variifolia Marianthus candidus Sollya heterophylla Plantaginaceae Plantago exilis Poaceae Agrostis avenacea Aira caryophyllea Amphibromus vickeryae Amphipogon debilis Amphipogon laguroides Amphipogon turbinatus Anthoxanthum odoratum Avena fatua Briza maxima Briza minor Bromus diandrus Austrodanthonia occidentalis Austrodanthonia sp. Austrostipa compressa Austrostipa juncifolia Austrostipa pycnostachya Austrostipa trichophylla Cynodon dactylon Cynosurus echinatus Deveuxia quadriseta Eragrostis brownii Eragrostis elongata Hemarthria uncinata Holcus lanatus Holcus setiger Hordeum geniculatum . Hordeum leporinum Lolium multiflorum . Lolium rigidum Microlaena stipoides Neurachne alopecuroidea Parapholis incurva Poa drummondiana Poa poiformis Polypogon monspeliensis Sporobolus virginicus Tetrarrhena laevis Vulpia myuros Podocarpaceae Podocarpus drouynianus Polygalaceae Comesperma calymega Comesperma ciliatum Comesperma drummondii Comesperma flavum Comesperma virgatum Polygonaceae Muehlenbeckia adpressa Persicaria prostrata Rumex acetosella

Rumex brownii

Rumex crispus Rumex pulcher Portulacaceae Calandrinia composita Montia australasica Potamogetonaceae Potamogeton tricarinatus Ruppia megacarpa Primulaceae Anagallis arvensis var. arvensis Anagallis arvensis var. caerulea Samolus caespitosus Samolus junceus Proteaceae Adenanthos obovatus Banksia grandis Banksia ilicifolia Banksia littoralis Conospermum flexuosum Dryandra armata Dryandra bipinnatifida Dryandra lindleyana Franklandia fucifolia Grevillea brownii Hakea ceratophylla Hakea lissocarpha Hakea oleifolia Hakea prostrata Hakea ruscifolia Hakea sulcata Hakea trifurcata Hakea undulata Hakea varia Isopogon polycephalus Isopogon teretifolius Persoonia longifolia Petrophile media Petrophile serruriae Petrophile squamata Stirlingia tenuifolia Synaphea decumbens Synaphea petiolaris Ranunculaceae Clematis pubescens Ranunculus colonorum Ranunculus muricatus Restionaceae Anarthria laevis Anarthria prolifera Anarthria scabra Apodasmia ceramophila ms Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Harperia lateriflora Hypolaena exsulca Hypolaena humilis ms Lepyrodia macra Lepyrodia muirii Lyginia barbata Meeboldina cana ms Meeboldina coangustata ms Meeboldina denmarkica Meeboldina kraussii ms Meeboldina sp. Meeboldina tephrina ms Stenopa ramosissima ms Tremulina tremula ms Rhamnaceae Cryptandra sp. Trymalium floribundum Trymalium ledifolium Rosaceae Acaena echinata Rubiaceae Galium divaricatum ÷ Galium murale Opercularia apiciflora

Opercularia vaginata . Sherardia arvensis **Rutaceae** Boronia capitata Boronia crenulata Boronia juncea Boronia megastigma Boronia ramosa Boronia sp Boronia spathulata Santalaceae Leptomeria lehmannii Leptomeria scrobiculata Leptomeria spinosa Leptomeria squarrulosa Schizaeaceae Schizaea dichotoma Scrophulariaceae Bartsia trixago Euphrasia scabra Glossostigma diandrum Glossostigma drummondii Gratiola peruviana Parentucellia latifolia Parentucellia viscosa Selaginellaceae Selaginella gracillima Solanaceae Solanum americanum . Solanum nigrum Stackhousiaceae Stackhousia monogyna Tripterococcus brunonis Sterculiaceae Guichenotia sp. Rulingia corylifolia Thomasia foliosa Thomasia paniculata Thomasia pauciflora Stylidiaceae Levenhookia pusilla Levenhookia stipitata Stylidium adnatum Stylidium amoenum Stylidium assimile Stylidium brunonianum ssp. minor Stylidium calcaratum Stylidium corymbosum Stylidium crassifolium Stylidium ecorne Stylidium emarginatum Stylidium guttatum Stylidium hispidum Stylidium inundatum Stylidium junceum Stylidium lepidum Stylidium periscelianthum Stylidium perpusillum Stylidium petiolare Stylidium pulchellum Stylidium repens Stylidium rhipidium Stylidium scandens Stylidium schoenoides Stylidium sp. Stylidium spathulatum Stylidium spinulosum Thymelaeaceae Pimelea angustifolia Pimelea argentea Pimelea ciliata Pimelea cracens ssp. cracens Pimelea imbricata var. gracillima

Pimelea imbricata var. piligera

Pimelea rosea

Opercularia hispidula

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Pimelea suaveolens Pimelea sulvestris Tremandraceae Platytheca galioides

Tetratheca hirsuta Tetratheca nuda Tetratheca setigera Tremandra diffusa Tremandra hirsuta

Typhaceae

Typha domingensis Typha orientalis *

Urticaceae Parietaria debilis Violaceae Hybanthus debilissimus Hybanthus floribundus Xanthorrhoeaceae Xanthorrhoea gracilis Xanthorrhoea preissii Zamiaceae Macrozamia riedlei Zannichelliaceae Lepilaena australis

NOOBIJUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 26680 Location 34 24 18S 116 47 11E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 183 ha

Biological values

Flora 348 taxa have been recorded from the reserve (see flora list below) including four priority taxa (*Anthotium junciforme* (Priority 4), *Leucopogon tamariscinus* (Priority 2), *Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3), and *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Vegetation description Nine vegetation units have been mapped in the reserve. These include one clearly resulting from salinity and raised water tables (Map 6). More detailed vegetation mapping has recently been undertaken (D. Gardner³, personal communication).

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland on laterite occur in the south-west and along the eastern boundary of the reserve. Species composition is similar to that described previously on this surface with a diverse understorey of shrubs, herbs and grasses. Typical understorey shrubs include *Astroloma* spp., *Leucopogon* spp. and peas such as *Bossiaea* spp. and *Gompholobium* spp. *Xanthorrhoea* gracilis. Thysanotus spp. and Dryandra armata are also typical of this community.
- 2. Jarrah-marri open woodland on sand occurs on the flats around the lake. Within this unit some minor lateritic ridges occur on the eastern side of the lake. Typical understorey elements include Hakea ruscifolia, Hakea prostrata, Dryandra lindleyana, Hibbertia spp., Astroloma ciliatum, Mesomelaena tetragona, Lepidosperma spp. and Mesomelaena tetragona and a diverse array of annual Asteraceae and Anthericaceae. Close to the lake edge Agonis juniperina, Hypocalymma angustifolium, Pericalymma ellipticum and Lepidosperma longitudinale become more common.
- 3. Eucalyptus decipiens open woodland occurs on the clayey soils in the north-west corner of the reserve. This unit is essentially similar to that described for Lake Muir and Galamup Nature Reserves. The understorey is diverse in both shrubs and herbs and the dominants include *Calothamnus lateralis, Kunzea micrantha, Hakea varia* and *Daviesia incrassata*. The unit grades into the wet heath on clay flats (unit 6) which occupies the more water logged sites.
- 4. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla-Eucalyptus rudis* open woodland occurs on a small wet flat near the eastern boundary of the reserve. The understorey is dominated by a pink weeping species of *Astartea* and by *Calothamnus lateralis*.
- 5. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* low forest occurs as a narrow band on the eastern margin of the lake with *Lepidosperma longitudinale* being the dominant element in the understorey.
- 6. Wet heath on clay flats is floristically diverse in terms of both the shrub and herb layers. This unit is dominated by *Melaleuca densa, M. lateritica,* and *M. rhaphiophylla* and becomes inundated in winter. As the wetland dries aquatic species such as *Villarsia submersa,* and *Schoenus natans* dominate to be replace by a diverse herbland which includes *Rhodanthe pyrethrum, Anthotium junciforme, Tribonanthes violacea, Trithuria bibracteata, Trithuria submersa, Polypompholyx multifida,* and *Utricularia inaequalis.* Perennial rushes are also an obvious component of this wetland (primarily *Leptocarpus tenax, Lepyrodia muirii* and *Meeboldina cana*). Three of the four priority taxa recorded for the reserve are found in this area. Rising water table and salt intrusion from the private property to the east are having significant impacts on this vegetation.
- 7. Open Baumea sedgeland occurs in the northern portion of Lake Noobijup and is dominated by Baumea articulata in deeper water, closer to the shore *Triglochin huegelii* and *Villarsia albiflora* are also found. This vegetation unit is very species-poor.
- 8. Closed Baumea sedgeland is essentially similar to unit 7, however, the Baumea articulata tends to be denser.
- 9. Salt-affected vegetation occurs on the western and southern edges of the reserve and is caused by a rising watertable and increasing salinity coming from private property. Initially the herbaceous layer is killed followed by death of the shrub layer and finally the tree cover. The area of impact appears to be spreading north through the wet heath on the western side of the reserve.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show the firebreak along the western boundary had recently been cleared as had an area of bushland on the private property that has now been inundated by rising ground water. The area of wet heath that has subsequently been destroyed by the rise in ground water (and increases in salinity) appeared in good condition in the 1980 photography. Further clearance along the western boundary has taken place since 1980. The *Baumea* sedgeland in Lake Noobijup appears to be denser in the 1980 photography. Permanent long-term

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monitoring sites (as part of the Salinity Action Plan wetland monitoring program) have been established in the Lake Noobijup Nature Reserve (Odgen and Froend 19984).

Disturbance or threats Rising ground water on the western side of the reserve since clearance in 1980 has resulted in destruction of high diversity seasonal clay pan communities. The area impacted is continuing to increase. The vegetation in the Lake itself appears to be becoming less dense. It appears that saline water is entering the lake from the south, the north (at times of high flow) and perhaps from the west via ground water.

Noobijup Nature Reserve flora list.

Amaranthaceae Ptilotus manglesii Anthericaceae Agrostocrinum scabrum Arthropodium preissii Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis Chamaescilla corymbosa Johnsonia acaulis Johnsonia lupulina Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus patersonii Thysanotus tenellus Thysanotus thyrsoideus Thysanotus triandrus Tricoryne elatior Tricoryne humilis Tricoryne tenella Apiaceae Daucus glochidiatus Eryngium ?pinnatifidum Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle callicarpa Platysace filiformis Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia candida Xanthosia huegelii Asteraceae Angianthus preissianus Asteridea athrixioides Blennospora drummondii Brachyscome iberidifolia Cotula coronopifolia Craspedia variabilis Euchiton sphaericus Hyalosperma cotula Hypochaeris glabra Lagenifera huegelii Millotia tenuifolia Podolepis gracilis Podotheca angustifolia Quinetia urvillei Rhodanthe citrina Rhodanthe pyrethrum Senecio glomeratus Senecio minimus Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus asper Sonchus oleraceus Trichocline spathulata Vellereophyton dealbatum Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia multicaulis

Wahlenbergia preissii Caryophyllaceae

- * Cerastium glomeratum
- * Petrorhagia velutina
- * Spergularia salina

Casuarinaceae Allocasuarina humilis Allocasuarina lehmanniana Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Brizula drummondii Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis glabra Centrolepis polygyna Chenopodiaceae Halosarcia indica Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Burchardia multiflora Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Crassula natans Crassula peduncularis Cupressaceae Actinostrobus pyramidalis Cyperaceae Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus Gahnia trifida Isolepis cernua Isolepis marginata Isolepis nodosa Isolepis oldfieldiana Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma ?tenue Mesomelaena stygia Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus bifidus Schoenus ?efoliatus Schoenus elegans Schoenus sp. Schoenus tenellus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Tricostularia compressa Dasypogonaceae Chamaexeros serra Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra caespitosa Lomandra collina Lomandra micrantha Lomandra sericea Lomandra sonderi Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia amplexicaulis Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia spicata

Hibbertia stellaris

* Odgen, G. and Froend, R.H. (1998). Salinity Action Plan. Wetland vegetation monitoring 1997/98. Unpublished report. Centre for Ecosystem Management, Edith Cowan University, Perth.

Droseraceae Drosera bulbosa Drosera erythrorhiza Drosera gigantea Drosera glanduligera Drosera macrantha Drosera menziesii Drosera neesii Epacridaceae Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum Leucopogon australis Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon glabellus Leucopogon pendulus Leucopogon propinquus Leucopogon ?sprengelioides Leucopogon tamariscinus Leucopogon verticillatus Styphelia tenuiflora Euphorbiaceae Phyllanthus calycinus Poranthera huegelii Poranthera microphylla Gentianaceae Cicendia filiformis Geraniaceae Pelargonium littorale Goodeniaceae Anthotium junciforme Dampiera alata Dampiera cuneata Goodenia micrantha Goodenia mimuloides Scaevola phlebopetala Velleia trinervis Haemodoraceae Anigozanthos bicolor Anigozanthos manglesii Conostylis aculeata Conostylis laxiflora Conostylis setigera Haemodorum laxum Haemodorum sparsiflorum Haemodorum spicatum Tribonanthes longipetala Tribonanthes violacea Haloragaceae Glischrocaryon aureum Gonocarpus paniculatus Myriophyllum crispatum Hydatellaceae Trithuria bibracteata Trithuria submersa Hypoxidaceae Hypoxis occidentalis Iridaceae Patersonia juncea Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Isoetaceae Isoetes drummondii Juncaceae Juncus bufonius Juncus pallidus Juncaginaceae Triglochin centrocarpum Triglochin huegelii Triglochin mucronatum Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens Lauraceae Cassytha racemosa Lentibulariaceae Polypompholyx multifida Utricularia inaequalis

Linum marginale Lindsaeaceae Lindsaea linearis Lobeliaceae Lobelia alata Lobelia tenuior Loganiaceae Logania serpyllifolia Menyanthaceae Villarsia albiflora Villarsia submersa Mimosaceae Acacia browniana Acacia cochlearis Acacia cyclops Acacia extensa Acacia incurva Acacia myrtifolia Acacia pulchella Acacia saligna Acacia stenoptera Myrtaceae Agonis juniperina Astartea sp. (pink weeping) Calothamnus lateralis Eucalyptus calophylla Eucalyptus decipiens Eucalyptus marginata Eucalyptus occidentalis Eucalyptus rudis Hypocalymma angustifolium Kunzea micrantha Kunzea recurva Melaleuca cordata Melaleuca densa Melaleuca leptoclada Melaleuca rhaphiophylla Melaleuca thymoides Melaleuca viminea Melaleuca violacea Pericalymma ellipticum Orchidaceae Caladenia flava Caladenia longicauda Caladenia radialis Caladenia radiata Cryptostylis ovata Diuris laxiflora Diuris longifolia Elythranthera brunonis Elythranthera emarginata Lyperanthus serratus Microtis atrata Microtis media Microtis orbicularis Monadenia bracteata Prasophyllum elatum Prasophyllum macrostachyum Pterostylis recurva Pyrorchis nigricans Thelymitra crinita Thelymitra flexuosa Thelymitra macrophylla Orobanchaceae Orobanche minor Oxalidaceae Oxalis perennans Papilionaceae Bossiaea eriocarpa Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea ornata Brachysema melanopetalum Brachysema praemorsum Callistachys lanceolata Daviesia incrassata

Daviesia preissii

Linaceae

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Gompholobium marginatum Gompholobium polymorphum Gompholobium preissii Gompholobium tomentosum Hovea trisperma var. grandiflora Isotropis cuneifolia Jacksonia furcellata Kennedia coccinea Kennedia prostrata Sphaerolobium vimineum Viminaria juncea Philydraceae Philydrella pygmaea Phormiaceae Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca Pittosporaceae Sollya heterophylla Poaceae Aira caryophyllea Amphipogon amphipogonoides Amphipogon laguroides Amphipogon turbinatus Avena barbata Austrodanthonia caespitosa Austrostipa pycnostachya Briza maxima Briza minor Deyeuxia quadriseta Hemarthria uncinata Holcus lanatus Hordeum murinum Neurachne alopecuroidea Poa poiformis Polypogon monspeliensis Tetrarrhena laevis Vulpia myuros Polygalaceae Comesperma calymega Comesperma flavum Comesperma virgatum Comesperma volubile Polygala myrtifolia Potamogetonaceae Ruppia megacarpa Primulaceae Anagallis arvensis Samolus junceus Proteaceae Banksia grandis Banksia littoralis Dryandra armata Dryandra lindleyana Grevillea leptobotrys Hakea lissocarpha Hakea oleifolia Hakea prostrata Hakea ruscifolia Hakea sulcata Hakea trifurcata Hakea undulata Hakea varia Isopogon polycephalus Isopogon teretifolius Persoonia longifolia Petrophile media Petrophile serruriae Petrophile squamata Synaphea ?favosa Synaphea petiolaris

Restionaceae Anarthria laevis Anarthria prolifera Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Desmocladus flexuosus ms Harperia lateriflora Hypolaena exsulca Leptocarpus tenax Lepyrodia drummondiana Lepyrodia muirii Lyginia barbata Meeboldina cana ms Rhamnaceae Trymalium ledifolium Rosaceae Acaena echinata Rubiaceae Opercularia apiciflora Opercularia hispidula Opercularia vaginata Sherardia arvensis **Butaceae** Boronia crenulata Boronia megastigma Boronia spathulata Santalaceae Leptomeria cunninghamii Leptomeria scrobiculata Scrophulariaceae Parentucellia latifolia Selaginellaceae Selaginella gracillima Stackhousiaceae Stackhousia monogyna Tripterococcus brunonis Stylidiaceae Levenhookia pusilla Levenhookia stipitata Stylidium brunonianum ssp. minor Stylidium calcaratum Stylidium junceum ssp. brevius Stylidium luteum Stylidium petiolare Stylidium pulchellum Stylidium repens Stylidium schoenoides Stylidium sp. Stylidium spathulatum Thymelaeaceae Pimelea angustifolia Pimelea cracens ssp. glabra Pimelea imbricata Pimelea ?lanata Pimelea preissii Pimelea rosea Pimelea suaveolens Pimelea sylvestris Tremandraceae Platytheca galioides Tetratheca hispidissima Violaceae Hybanthus floribundus Xanthorrhoeaceae Xanthorrhoea gracilis Xanthorrhoea preissii Zamiaceae Macrozamia riedlei

PINDICUP NATURE RESERVE

Class A

Reserve number 26679 Location 34 24 49S 116 43 14E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 281 ha

Biological values

Flora A total of 303 taxa, including three priority taxa (*Anthotium junciforme* (Priority 4), *Euchiton gymnocephalus* (Priority 3), *Leucopogon tamariscinus* (Priority 2)), have been recorded from the reserve (see flora list below).

Vegetation description Lake Pindicup is a naturally saline wetland and is the major feature in the Pindicup Nature Reserve: several small freshwater wetlands also occur in the reserve, the largest being Bodjinup Swamp located near the southern boundary of the reserve. Thirteen vegetation units have been recorded from the reserve (Map 8), with the disturbed areas (unit 13) and the areas of *Eucalyptus decipiens* woodland (unit 6) being too small to show on the vegetation map.

- 1. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland on laterite occur as a series of ridges on the western side of the reserve. In terms of species composition they are essentially similar to those described for Noobijup Nature Reserve. The understorey is typically diverse in both herbs and shrubs.
- 2. Jarrah-marri open woodland on sand occurs in the valleys between the laterite ridges, along dunes on northern and eastern boundaries and on the flats to the west of the Lake. The vegetation is again essentially similar to the sandy jarrah unit described for Noobijup Nature Reserve.
- 3. Jarrah-marri forest and woodland over Agonis scrub occurred on the wet sandy flats in the north-eastern corner of the reserve. This community had an understorey dominated by Agonis parviceps which can form dense thickets. Where it was more open Bossiaea praetermissa, Gompholobium confertum, Astroloma baxteri were common as well as the sedges Caustis sp. Boyanup, Lepidosperma squamatum and Anarthria scabra. The collection of Caustis sp. Boyanup represents the most southern collection of this taxon.
- 4. Melaleuca cuticularis woodland occurs on the flats at the edge of the lake. This unit usually has an understorey of Gahnia trifida. Immediately adjacent to the lake the Melaleuca can drop out and the vegetation intergrades into a Gahnia sedgeland (unit 11). The inland boundary of this unit around the lake is some narrow ridges of Eucalyptus decipiens woodland (unit 6) running parallel to the shoreline. This unit was too narrow to map.
- 5. Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis woodland occupies sandy substrates in more low-lying situations than the sandy jarrah-marri woodland (unit 2). Banksia ilicifolia can occur as a co-dominant canopy species. Common components of the understorey include Lepidosperma longitudinale, Baumea juncea, Agonis parviceps, Astartea sp., Calothamnus lateralis, Kunzea recurva and in the wettest parts Pericalymma ellipticum. This unit intergrades with the wet heath unit (unit 7).
- 6. Eucalyptus decipiens open woodland forms a narrow band around the edge of the lake immediately inland of the Melaleuca cuticularis woodland. South of the lake it occurs on narrow raised dunes at the inland side of the Melaleuca cuticularis flat. This community also occurs on the ecotone between the sandy jarrah unit (unit 2) and the wet flats; in this situation it has a diverse understorey dominated by Astartea sp., Melaleuca viminea, and Pericalymma ellipticum.
- 7. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* low forest is the dominant vegetation on long seasonally inundated wetlands and the fringing unit around the freshwater basin wetlands. It is typically dense with a sparse understorey usually dominated by *Lepidosperma longitudinale*, in slightly more open areas *Melaleuca viminea*, *Aotus intermedia* and the perennial rushes *Meeboldina tephrina* and *Meeboldina roycei* are found.
- 8. Wet heath dominated by *Pericalymma ellipticum*, *Melaleuca viminea* and *Lepidosperma longitudinale* occupy the lowest lying areas outside the basin wetlands.
- 9. Baumea articulata sedgeland occurs along the south-western edge of Lake Pindicup, in a small basin wetland immediately south of Lake Pindicup and in Bodjinup Swamp near the southern boundary of the reserve. In the deepest sections Baumea articulata is the sole dominant while closer to the shore Triglochin huegelii becomes more apparent.
- Baumea vaginalis sedgeland occurs on the lake floor and is flooded late into summer. The sedgeland generally
 comprises monospecific stands of *B. vaginalis* although in some areas *B. arthrophylla* may dominate or codominate.
- 11. Gahnia sedgeland occurs on the flats on the eastern side of the lake. Gahnia trifida was the dominant taxon but species such as the shrubs Thomasia grandiflora, and Grevillea ?diversifolia, and the annuals Cotula cotuloides, Gnephosis ?tenuissima, Vellereophyton dealbatum were also common.

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- Lake bed was clayey and before it completely dried out was covered with an annual herbland primarily made up of Myriophyllum verrucosum. While the lake contained water Lepilaena australis was a common aquatic.
- 13. Disturbed areas are small and confined to areas near tracks and firebreaks; a series of weedy grasses and *Rumex* spp. were collected from these areas.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from February and April 1980 show little change since then in the vegetation of Bodjinup Swamp or Lake Pindicup itself.

Disturbance or threats No immediate threat is apparent but 1995 aerial photographs show further recent clearance.

Pindicup Nature Reserve flora list.
Amaranthaceae
Ptilotus manglesii
Anthericaceae
Arthropodium preissil
Caesia micrantha
Caesia occidentalis
Chamaescilla corymbosa Laxmannia sessiliflora
Sowerbaea laxiflora
Thysanotus manglesianus
Thysanotus sparteus
Thysanotus tenellus
Tricorvne elatior
Apiaceae
Daucus glochidiatus
Homalosciadium homalocarpum
Hydrocotyle alata
Platysace filiformis
Schoenolaena tenuior
Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia candida
Xanthosia candida Xanthosia huegelii
Asteraceae
* Arctotheca calendula
Asteridea pulverulenta
Cotula cotuloides
 Cotula turbinata
Craspedia variabilis
Euchiton gymnocephalus
Gnephosis ?tenuissima
Hyalosperma cotula
 Hypochaeris glabra
Lagenifera huegelii
Millotia myosotidifolia Podolepis gracilis
Podotheca angustifolia
Pogonolepis stricta
Pterochaeta paniculata
Quinetia urvillei
Rhodanthe citrina
Rutidosis multiflora
Siloxerus humifusus
 Sonchus hydrophilus
* Sonchus oleraceus
Vellereophyton dealbatum
Caesalpiniaceae
Labichea punctata Campanulaceae
Wahlenbergia preissii
Caryophyllaceae
* Cerastium glomeratum
Casuarinaceae
Allocasuarina humilis
Allocasuarina thuyoides
Centrolepidaceae
Aphelia cyperoides
Brizula drummondii
Centrolepis aristata
Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis glabra
Centrolepis glabia

Centrolepis mutica Centrolepis pilosa Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Crassula peduncularis Cupressaceae Actinostrobus pyramidalis Cyperaceae Baumea arthrophylla Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis Caustis sp. Boyanup(G.S. McCutcheon 1706) Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus Gahnia trifida Isolepis cernua Isolepis stellata Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus ?caespititius Schoenus curvifolius Schoenus humilis Schoenus laevigatus Schoenus subbulbosus Schoenus subfascicularis Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Tricostularia neesii Dasypogonaceae Dasypogon bromeliifolius Lomandra collina Lomandra micrantha Lomandra sericea Lomandra sonderi Lomandra suaveolens Dennstaedtiaceae Pteridium esculentum Dilleniaceae Hibbertia ?commutata Hibbertia amplexicaulis Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia glomerata Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia stellaris Droseraceae Drosera glanduligera Drosera macrantha Drosera menziesii Drosera stolonifera Epacridaceae Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum Astroloma prostratum

Leucopogon ?sprengelioides Leucopogon australis Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon glabellus Leucopogon pendulus Leucopogon tamariscinus Leucopogon verticillatus Euphorbiaceae Amperea volubilis Monotaxis occidentalis Phyllanthus calycinus Poranthera microphylla Gentianaceae Centaurium erythraea Centaurium spicatum Geraniaceae Erodium botrys Goodeniaceae Anthotium junciforme Dampiera alata Dampiera fasciculata Dampiera linearis Goodenia micrantha Goodenia pulchella Scaevola phlebopetala Velleia trinervis Haemodoraceae Anigozanthos flavidus Conostylis aculeata Conostylis laxiflora Conostylis setigera Haemodorum laxum Haemodorum spicatum Hydatellaceae Hydatella sp. Haloragaceae Myriophyllum verrucosum Iridaceae Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Romulea rosea Juncaceae Juncus bufonius Juncus capitatus Juncus pallidus Juncaginaceae Triglochin huegelii Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens . Mentha pulegium Lauraceae Cassytha glabella Cassytha racemosa Lindsaeaceae Lindsaea linearis Lobeliaceae Lobelia alata Lobelia gibbosa Loganiaceae Logania serpyllifolia Phyllangium paradoxum Loranthaceae Nuytsia floribunda Menyanthaceae Villarsia parnassifolia Mimosaceae Acacia ?biflora Acacia extensa Acacia huegelii Acacia myrtifolia Acacia stenoptera Myoporaceae Myoporum caprarioides Myrtaceae Agonis parviceps Astartea sp. (pink weeping)

Baeckea camphorosmae Calothamnus ?schaueri Calothamnus lateralis Calytrix flavescens Calytrix leschenaultii Calytrix sp. Eucalyptus calophylla Eucalyptus decipiens Eucalyptus marginata Hypocalymma angustifolium Kunzea ericifolia Kunzea recurva Melaleuca cuticularis Melaleuca densa Melaleuca lateritia Melaleuca preissiana Melaleuca rhaphiophylla Melaleuca sp. Melaleuca thymoides Melaleuca viminea Pericalymma ellipticum Onagraceae Epilobium billardierianum Orchidaceae Caladenia flava Cyrtostylis robusta Elythranthera brunonis Microtis atrata Microtis media Microtis orbicularis Monadenia bracteata Praecoxanthus aphyllus ms Thelymitra benthamiana Thelymitra crinita Thelymitra flexuosa Thelymitra pauciflora Orobanchaceae Orobanche minor Papilionaceae Aotus intermedia Bossiaea eriocarpa Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea ornata Bossiaea praetermissa Brachysema melanopetalum Chorizema aciculare Daviesia ?physodes Gompholobium confertum Gompholobium knightianum Gompholobium marginatum Gompholobium preissii Gompholobium tomentosum Hovea chorizemifolia Hovea trisperma Jacksonia furcellata Kennedia coccinea Kennedia prostrata Ornithopus compressus Pultenaea ochreata Viminaria juncea Phormiaceae Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca Pittosporaceae Billardiera variifolia Pronaya fraseri Sollya heterophylla Poaceae Agrostis avenacea Aira caryophyllea Amphipogon turbinatus Austrodanthonia occidentalis Austrostipa pycnostachya Briza minor Bromus diandrus

Bromus diandrus Deyeuxia quadriseta

Hemarthria uncinata -Hordeum leporinum Neurachne alopecuroidea Tetrarrhena laevis Vulpia myuros Polygalaceae Comesperma calymega Comesperma volubile Polygonaceae Persicaria prostrata Rumex acetosella Rumex pulcher Primulaceae Samolus junceus Proteaceae Adenanthos obovatus Banksia grandis Banksia ilicifolia Banksia littoralis Dryandra armata Dryandra lindleyana Grevillea ?diversifolia Hakea corymbosa Hakea lissocarpha Hakea prostrata Hakea sulcata Hakea trifurcata Hakea varia Persoonia longifolia Petrophile acicularis Petrophile serruriae Synaphea ?petiolaris Ranunculaceae Clematis pubescens Restionaceae Anarthria prolifera Anarthria scabra Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Desmocladus flexuosus ms Hypolaena exsulca Lepyrodia muirii Lyginia barbata Meeboldina ?coangustata ms Meeboldina ?tephrina ms Meeboldina cana ms Meeboldina roycei ms Restio sp. Stenopa ramosissima ms

Rhamnaceae Trymalium ledifolium Rubiaceae Opercularia apiciflora Opercularia hispidula Opercularia vaginata Rutaceae Boronia crenulata Boronia ramosa Boronia sp. Boronia spathulata Santalaceae Leptomeria spinosa Leptomeria squarrulosa Selaginellaceae Selaginella gracillima Solanaceae Solanum nigrum Stackhousiaceae Stackhousia monogyna Tripterococcus brunonis Sterculiaceae Thomasia grandiflora Thomasia pauciflora Stylidiaceae Levenhookia pusilla Levenhookia stipitata Stylidium brunonianum ssp. minor Stylidium caespitosum Stylidium corymbosum Stylidium repens Stylidium schoenoides Stylidium spathulatum Thymelaeaceae Pimelea angustifolia Pimelea ciliata Pimelea sulphurea Tremandraceae Tetratheca affinis Xanthorrhoeaceae Xanthorrhoea gracilis Xanthorrhoea preissii Zamiaceae Macrozamia riedlei Zannichelliaceae Lepilaena australis

PINTICUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 26682 Location 34 27 59S 116 48 27E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 75 ha Class A

Biological values

Flora A total of 297 taxa have been recorded from the reserve (see flora list below). This includes six priority taxa (*Anthotium junciforme* (Priority 4), *Apodasmia ceramophila* ms (Priority 2), *Jacksonia sparsa* ms (Priority 3), *Rhodanthe pyrethrum* (Priority 3), *Stylidium mimeticum* (Priority 3), *Villarsia submersa* (Priority 4)).

Vegetation description Fourteen vegetation units were identified in Pinticup Nature Reserve, two of these (jarrah-marri woodland on laterite - unit 13; and the disturbed areas - unit 14) were too small to map (Map 9).

- 1. Jarrah-marri open woodland on sand occurs on the sandy rises and the better drained flats. This community is essentially similar to sandy jarrah-marri in Galamup and Noobijup Nature Reserves. The understorey is diverse in shrubs and herbs with *Leucopogon* spp., *Acacia* spp., *Melaleuca thymoides*, *Gompholobium* spp. and *Hakea ruscifolia* the obvious components. In the dampest areas *Hypocalymma angustifolium* and *Kunzea micrantha* become more common.
- 2. Logged jarrah-marri open woodland on sand occurs near the western boundary of the reserve. The result has been an opening up of the canopy, species composition is the same as in vegetation unit 1.
- 3. Jarrah-marri-yate open woodland occurs on the sand dune on the eastern side of Pinticup Swamp. It has a similar species composition to the jarrah-marri open woodland with the addition of yate as a canopy co-dominant.
- 4. Banksia ilicifolia woodland occurs on poorly drained sandy flats in the western part of the reserve. Common understorey elements include Adenanthos obovatus, Hakea sulcata, Brachysema melanopetalum and Lysinema ciliatum. Franklandia fucifolia was also found in this unit. In the wettest sites this community grades into Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis woodland (vegetation unit 6).
- 5. Melaleuca cuticularis woodland occupies most of a small basin wetland in the north-west of the reserve. The understorey is dominated by Gahnia trifida with other common taxa including Astartea, Melaleuca lateritia, Melaleuca viminea, Chaetanthus aristatus, and Meeboldina cana. The soil in this area has a higher clay content than the surrounding areas.
- 6. Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis woodland occurs on the poorest drained areas of sandy soil. As a consequence the understorey is variously dominated by Anigozanthos flavidus, Agonis juniperina, Calothamnus lateralis, Hypocalymma angustifolium, Melaleuca spp. (including Melaleuca densa and Melaleuca viminea), Pericalymma ellipticum, Hakea varia, and the perennial rushes Lepyrodia muirii, Meeboldina tephrina, Tremulina tremula. Eucalyptus rudis occasionally occurs in the canopy layer.
- 7. Eucalyptus decipiens open woodland occurs on the wet clay flats on the southern boundary of the reserve. It is a diverse community with rich shrub layer and large numbers of annual herbs as has been described for Noobijup Nature Reserve.
- 8. Melaleuca rhaphiophylla low forest occurs in areas of the longest inundation and as the fringing vegetation on the western shore of Pinticup Swamp. It typically has a sparse understorey of *Lepidosperma longitudinale, Baumea articulata, Baumea vaginalis, Villarsia albiflora,* and where gaps in canopy occur Astartea fascicularis and Callistachys lanceolata occur.
- 9. Hakea prostrata heath occurs in a small area in the south-west corner of the reserve. This is an equivalent unit to that described in Galamup Nature Reserve.
- 10. Wet heath occurs on the wettest parts of the clay flats in the south-eastern corner of the reserve. These flats are dominated by *Melaleuca* spp. and perennial rushes (*Apodasmia ceramophila* and *Harperia lateriflora*). In late winter the flats are completely flooded and aquatic taxa such as *Villarsia submersa* are conspicuous. As the wetland dries a diverse suite of annual herbs emerges. These include annual *Schoenus* spp., *Tribonanthes violacea*, and an array of orchids.
- 11. Baumea sedgeland occurs in the two basin wetlands, the deepest parts being dominated by Baumea articulata while toward the shore Triglochin huegelii and Villarsia albiflora co-dominate.
- 12. Lepidosperma longitudinale sedgeland occurs in a small patch in the south-west corner of the reserve in a winterwet drainage line.

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- 13. Disturbed areas occur associated with firebreaks; these areas are too small to map but are a major source of weed concentration.
- 14. Jarrah-marri woodland on laterite occurs as small patches within the sandy jarrah-marri unit (vegetation unit 1). This unit was also too small to map but did show significant change in understorey species as has been described for other reserves.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from February and April 1980 showed no obvious changes in the vegetation.

Disturbance or threats No obvious threat is apparent at this time, run-off from tree farming which occurs on three sides of the reserve should be monitored.

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	Caesia occidentalis	
	Chamaescilla corymbosa	
	Johnsonia acaulis	
	Johnsonia lupulina	
	Laxmannia sessiliflora	
	Sowerbaea laxiflora	
	Thysanotus arenarius	
	Thysanotus manglesianus	
	Thysanotus patersonii	
	Thysanotus sparteus	
	Thysanotus tenellus	
	Thysanotus triandrus	
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Pinticup Nature Reserve flora list.

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Eucalyptus cornuta

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QUINDINUP NATURE RESERVE

Reserve number 25506 Location 34 24 41S 116 52 41E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Conservation of flora and fauna Area 2653 ha

Biological values

Flora A brief survey was undertaken of Quindinup Reserve, this found 276 taxa. This list should be considered preliminary (see flora list below). One priority flora species (*Eucalyptus aspersa* (Priority 4)) was recorded from the reserve.

Vegetation description No vegetation mapping was undertaken for this reserve. Six major habitat types were defined while compiling the flora.

- 1. Melaleuca rhaphiophylla-M. preissiana woodland along creek lines.
- 2. Disturbed areas.
- 3. Lateritic heath.
- 4. Jarrah-marri woodland on sand.
- 5. Jarrah-marri woodland on laterite.
- 6. Wandoo woodland.

Vegetation change This reserve was not photographed in 1980.

Disturbance or threats Upland areas are in excellent condition. An increase in salinity in some of the creek lines is causing impacts to the riparian vegetation.

Quindinup Nature Reserve flora list.

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Apiaceae

Daucus glochidiatus Eryngium pinnatifidum Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle pilifera Platysace juncea Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia atkinsoniana Xanthosia candida

Asteraceae

- Arctotheca calendula
 Conyza albida
 Cotula coronopifolia
 Craspedia variabilis
 Euchiton sphaericus
 Hyalosperma cotula
- Hypochaeris glabra

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Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Olearia paucidentata Picris angustifolia Podolepis gracilis Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Senecio minimus Sonchus oleraceus Trichocline spathulata Waitzia nitida Waitzia suaveolens Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii Caryophyllaceae Cerastium glomeratum Petrorhagia velutina Casuarinaceae Allocasuarina ?microstachya Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis drummondiana Centrolepis pilosa Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia multiflora Crassulaceae Crassula colorata Cyperaceae Baumea juncea Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus Gahnia drummondii Isolepis cernua

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Macrozamia riedlei

UNICUP NATURE RESERVE

Class A

Reserve number 25798 Location 34 21 35S 116 43 18E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Conservation of flora and fauna Area 3296 ha

Biological values

Flora Using Griffin (1984) data as a basis, a flora list of 512 taxa was compiled from the reserve (see flora list below). This included ten priority taxa (*Anthotium junciforme* (Priority 4), *Dryandra porrecta* (Priority 4), *Eucalyptus latens* (Priority 4), *Hibbertia silvestris* (Priority 4), *Opercularia rubioides* (Priority 2), *Pithocarpa corymbulosa* (Priority 2), *Schoenus loliaceus* (Priority 2), *Schoenus natans* (Priority 4), *Stylidium mimeticum* (Priority 3), *Synaphea decumbens* (Priority 1)).

Vegetation description Griffin (1984) mapped the reserve and described 12 vegetation units. Brief descriptions of these units are given below.

- 2. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 1) Jarrah/marri forest on the top and upper slopes of the lateritic ridges.
- 3/9. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 2)/Agonis parviceps thicket Variable unit similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 2, common on low-lying sandy substrates.
- 5. Eucalyptus wandoo forest occurs as small patches in jarrah forest on loamy gravels or clayey soils.
- 7. Eucalyptus decipiens open low woodland B (Type 1) occurs on loamy sand usually on terraces above drainage lines. It is essentially similar to the Lake Muir vegetation unit 6.
- 9. Agonis parviceps thicket A variable unit which may have an overstorey of jarrah and/or Banksia ilicifolia. Appears essentially similar to Muir vegetation unit 3.
- 10. *Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* open low woodland A A complex unit essentially similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 6.
- 12. *Melaleuca lateritia* dense low heath Essentially similar to Galamup vegetation unit 6, these are small basin wetlands on loamy clays.
- 13. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* dense low forest B Occurs as circular or ring shaped areas in centre of some basin wetlands. This unit is equivalent to Muir vegetation unit 15.
- 15. Melaleuca cuticularis complex Melaleuca cuticularis woodlands to forests with an understorey variously dominated by Melaleuca densa, Kunzea recurva, Pericalymma ellipticum or Gahnia trifida giving way to very little understoreys under the densest canopies
- 17. Halosarcia-Wilsonia mat plants form areas of herbland around several of the salt lakes. Similar in many respects to Muir vegetation unit 27.
- 19. Baumea sedges occupying basin wetlands, essentially the same as Kodjinup vegetation units 10 and 11.
- 24. Leptocarpus sedges Clay flats dominated by Apodasmia ceramophila ms. Griffin (1984) states that there are few herbs, however, these winter-wet flats have a diverse annual herb flora in spring and early summer as these seasonally inundated wetlands dry.

Disturbed areas These were not mapped by Griffin (1984) but were used in compiling the species lists.

Vegetation change This reserve was not photographed in 1980.

Disturbance or threats Inundation of a small wetland on the eastern side of the reserve owing to rising water table. Destruction of woodland communities on the eastern boundary owing to rising saline water table.

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Haloragaceae Glischrocaryon aureum Hydatellaceae Hydatella sp. Trithuria submersa Hypoxidaceae Hypoxis occidentalis Iridaceae Patersonia juncea Patersonia occidentalis Patersonia occidentalis (swamp form) Romulea rosea Juncaceae Juncus bufonius Juncus pallidus Juncaginaceae Triglochin calcitrapum Triglochin centrocarpum Triglochin huegelii Triglochin mucronatum Lamiaceae Hemiandra pungens Lauraceae Cassytha glabella Cassytha racemosa Lentibulariaceae Polypompholyx multifida Polypompholyx tenella Utricularia volubilis Lindsaeaceae Lindsaea linearis Lobeliaceae Grammatotheca bergiana Isotoma hypocrateriformis Lobelia alata Lobelia gibbosa Lobelia heterophylla Loganiaceae Logania serpyllifolia Phyllangium paradoxum Loranthaceae Nuytsia floribunda Lycopodiaceae Phylloglossum drummondii Lythraceae Lythrum hyssopifolia Menyanthaceae Villarsia albiflora Villarsia parnassifolia Mimosaceae Acacia biflora Acacia cyclops Acacia extensa Acacia huegelii Acacia laricina var. laricina Acacia latipes Acacia pulchella Acacia rostellifera Acacia saligna Acacia stenoptera Acacia tetragonocarpa Acacia varia Myoporaceae Myoporum caprarioides Myrtaceae Actinodium cunninghamii Agonis parviceps Astartea sp. (pink weeping) Astartea sp. (pink weeping) Baeckea camphorosmae Calothamnus lateralis Calothamnus lehmannii Calothamnus ?preissii Calytrix flavescens Calytrix leschenaultii

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Papilionaceae Bossiaea eriocarpa Bossiaea linophylla Bossiaea ornata Bossiaea praetermissa Brachysema melanopetalum Brachysema praemorsum Chorizema aciculare Chorizema ?ilicifolium Daviesia cordata Daviesia hakeoides Daviesia ?incrassata Daviesia preissii Gompholobium aristatum Gompholobium burtonioides Gompholobium capitatum Gompholobium confertum Gompholobium knightianum Gompholobium marginatum Gompholobium ovatum Gompholobium polymorphum Gompholobium preissii Gompholobium scabrum Hovea chorizemifolia Hovea trisperma var. grandiflora Isotropis cuneifolia Jacksonia ?furcellata Kennedia prostrata Pultenaea ericifolia Pultenaea ochreata Pultenaea reticulata Sphaerolobium drummondii Sphaerolobium linophyllum Sphaerolobium medium Trifolium campestre Trifolium cernuum Viminaria juncea Philydraceae Philydrella pygmaea Phormiaceae Dianella brevicaulis Dianella revoluta Stypandra glauca Pittosporaceae Billardiera drummondiana var. Billardiera erubescens Billardiera parviflora var. parviflora Marianthus candidus Sollya heterophylla Poaceae Agrostis avenacea Aira caryophyllea Amphipogon debilis Amphipogon strictus Anthoxanthum odoratum Briza maxima Briza minor Bromus diandrus Austrodanthonia occidentalis Austrostipa compressa Austrostipa ?pycnostachya Deyeuxia quadriseta Dichelachne crinita Hemarthria uncinata Holcus lanatus Holcus setiger Lolium multiflorum Microlaena stipoides Neurachne alopecuroidea Poa drummondiana Poa poiformis Polypogon monspeliensis Polypogon tenellus Sporobolus virginicus Tetrarrhena laevis

* Vulpia myuros

Polygalaceae Comesperma calymega Comesperma drummondii Comesperma flavum Comesperma ?volubile Polygonaceae Muehlenbeckia adpressa Persicaria prostrata Potamogetonaceae Potamogeton drummondii Ruppia megacarpa Primulaceae Anagallis arvensis Samolus junceus Proteaceae Adenanthos obovatus Banksia grandis Banksia ilicifolia Banksia littoralis Banksia meisneri ssp. meisneri Conospermum capitatum Conospermum flexuosum ssp. laevigatum Dryandra armata Dryandra bipinnatifida Dryandra lindleyana Dryandra porrecta Franklandia fucifolia Grevillea brownii Grevillea leptobotrys Grevillea pilulifera Grevillea pulchella Grevillea quercifolia Hakea ceratophylla Hakea corymbosa Hakea gilbertii Hakea lissocarpha Hakea prostrata Hakea ruscifolia Hakea trifurcata Hakea undulata Hakea varia Isopogon ?attenuatus Isopogon teretifolius Persoonia longifolia Petrophile acicularis Petrophile divaricata Petrophile ?longifolia Petrophile media Petrophile rigida Petrophile serruriae Petrophile squamata Stirlingia simplex Synaphea decumbens Synaphea petiolaris Synaphea ?reticulata Ranunculaceae Clematis pubescens Ranunculus colonorum Restionaceae Anarthria ?gracilis Anarthria prolifera Anarthria scabra Chaetanthus aristatus ms Desmocladus fasciculatus ms Desmocladus flexuosus ms Harperia lateriflora Hypolaena exsulca Leptocarpus ?tenellus Lepyrodia macra Lepyrodia muirii Lyginia barbata Meeboldina coangustata ms

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YARNUP NATURE RESERVE

Class A

Reserve number 29601 Location 34 22 34S 116 51 53E Land tenure Nature Reserve Purpose Water, and Conservation of flora and fauna Area 62 ha

Biological values

Flora Using Griffin (1984) data as a basis, a flora list of 272 taxa was compiled from the reserve (see flora list below). This included three priority taxa (*Euchiton gymnocephalus* (Priority 3), *Hydatella australis* (Priority 1), *Stylidium mimeticum* (Priority 3))

Vegetation description Griffin (1984) mapped the reserve and described six vegetation units. Brief descriptions of these units are given below.

- 2. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 1) Jarrah/marri forest on the top and upper slopes of the lateritic ridges.
- 3/9. Eucalyptus marginata (jarrah) forest (Type 2)/Agonis parviceps thicket Variable unit similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 2, common on low-lying sandy substrates.
- 10. *Melaleuca preissiana-Banksia littoralis* open low woodland A A complex unit essentially similar to Kodjinup vegetation unit 6.
- 13. *Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* dense low forest B Occurs as circular or ring shaped areas in the centre of some basin wetlands. This unit is equivalent to Muir vegetation unit 15.
- 17. Halosarcia-Wilsonia mat plants form areas of herbland around several of the salt lakes. Similar in many respects to Muir vegetation unit 27.

19. Baumea sedges Occupying basin wetlands, essentially the same as Kodjinup vegetation units 10 and 11.

Disturbed areas These were not mapped by Griffin (1984) but were used in compiling the species lists.

Vegetation change Oblique aerial photographs from April 1980 show extensive recent (1980) clearing to the south of the reserve. The area of salt scald crossing the road on the south side of the swamp is not visible on the 1980 photography. Halse *et al.*⁶ (1993) reported that the salt scalding had been noted since 1988. The area of open water visible in the swamp in 1980 is comparable to that mapped in 1984 by Griffin and to the 1995 aerial photography (WA3619-5172).

Disturbance or threats Death of woodland communities on the western boundary, south of the swamp, appears to be the result of saline run-off from private property.

Yarnup Nature Reserve flora list.	Tricoryne elatior	
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	Apiaceae	
Aizoaceae	Daucus glochidiatus	
Carpobrotus modestus	Eryngium pinnatifidum	
Amaranthaceae	Homalosciadium homalocarpum	
Ptilotus manglesii	Hydrocotyle alata	
Anthericaceae	Hydrocotyle callicarpa	
Agrostocrinum scabrum	Schoenolaena tenuior	
Arthropodium preissii	Trachymene pilosa	
Borya scirpoidea	Xanthosia candida	
Caesia micrantha	Xanthosia huegelii	
Caesia occidentalis	Asteraceae	
Chamaescilla corymbosa	Blennospora drummondii	
Chamaescilla sp.	Cotula coronopifolia	
Johnsonia lupulina	Craspedia variabilis	
Sowerbaea laxiflora	Dittrichia graveolens	
Thysanotus manglesianus	Sharonia gravosiona	

⁵ Halse, S.A., Pearson, G.B. and Patrick, S. (1993). Vegetation of depth-gauged wetlands in nature reserves of south-west Western Australia. Department of Conservation and Land Management Technical Report No. 30.

Euchiton gymnocephalus Hyalosperma cotula Hypochaeris glabra Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Myriocephalus occidentalis Podolepis gracilis Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum Rhodanthe citrina Senecio glomeratus Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus asper Sonchus oleraceus Trichocline sp. Vellereophyton dealbatum Centrolepidaceae Aphelia cyperoides Centrolepis aristata Centrolepis glabra Centrolepis humillima Centrolepis polygyna Chenopodiaceae Atriplex prostrata Colchicaceae Burchardia congesta Burchardia monantha Burchardia multiflora Cyperaceae Baumea articulata Baumea juncea Baumea vaginalis Chorizandra enodis Cyathochaeta avenacea Cyperus tenellus Isolepis cernua Isolepis oldfieldiana Lepidosperma angustatum Lepidosperma longitudinale Lepidosperma squamatum Lepidosperma tenue Mesomelaena stygia Mesomelaena tetragona Schoenus brevisetis Schoenus efoliatus Schoenus laevigatus Tetraria capillaris Tetraria octandra Tricostularia neesii var. neesii Dasypogonaceae Chamaexeros serra Lomandra caespitosa Lomandra sericea Lomandra suaveolens Dilleniaceae Hibbertia ?amplexicaulis Hibbertia commutata Hibbertia cunninghamii Hibbertia racemosa Hibbertia spicata ssp. spicata Hibbertia stellaris Droseraceae Drosera erythrorhiza Drosera gigantea Drosera glanduligera Drosera macrantha Drosera neesii Epacridaceae Astroloma baxteri Astroloma ciliatum Astroloma pallidum Leucopogon capitellatus Leucopogon parviflorus Leucopogon propinquus Leucopogon verticillatus

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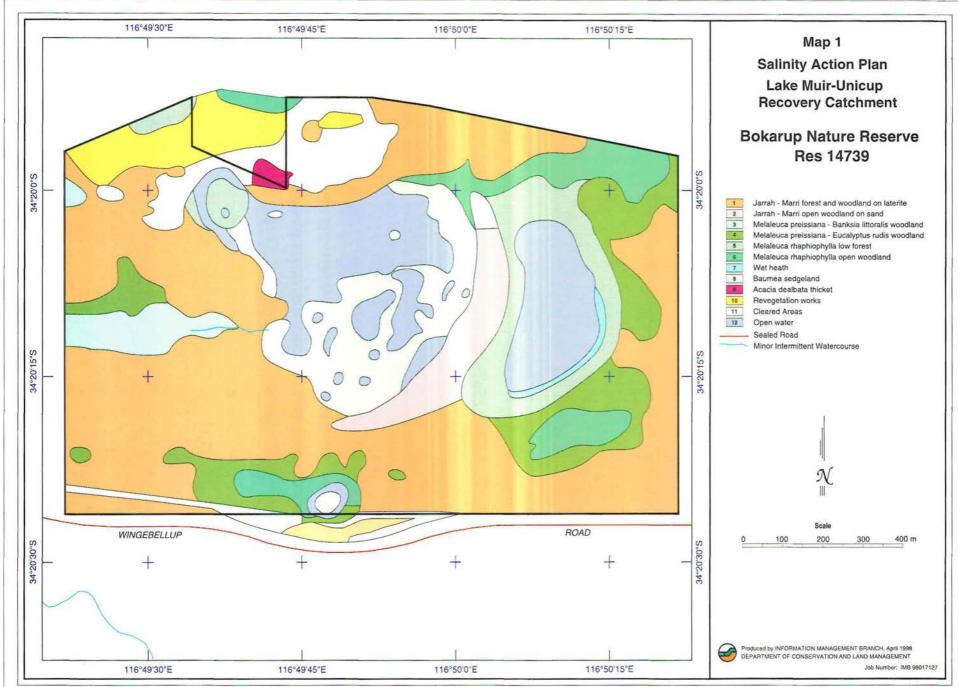
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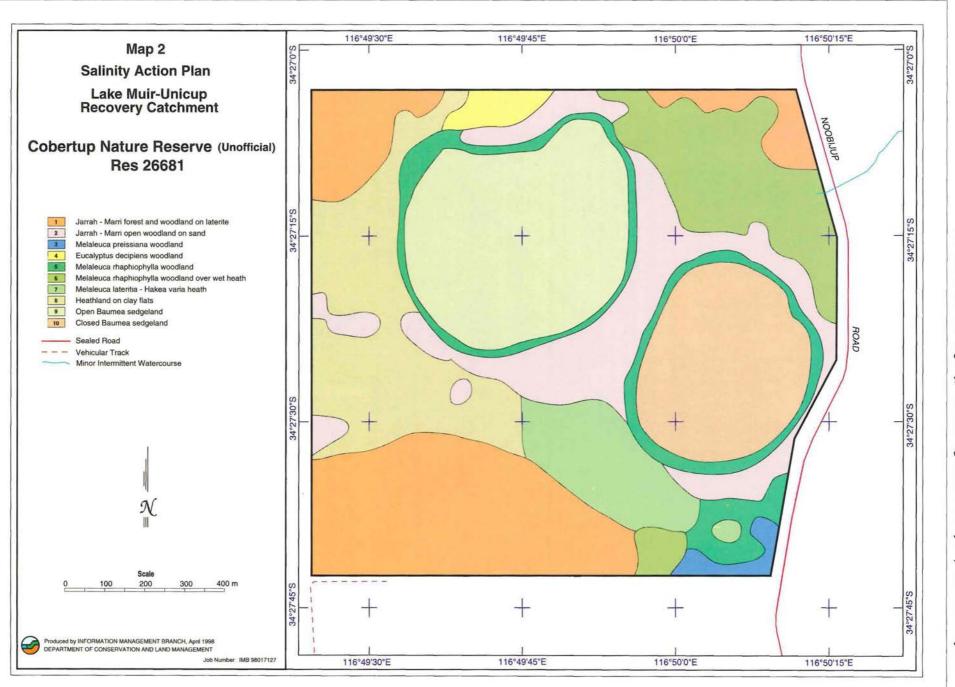
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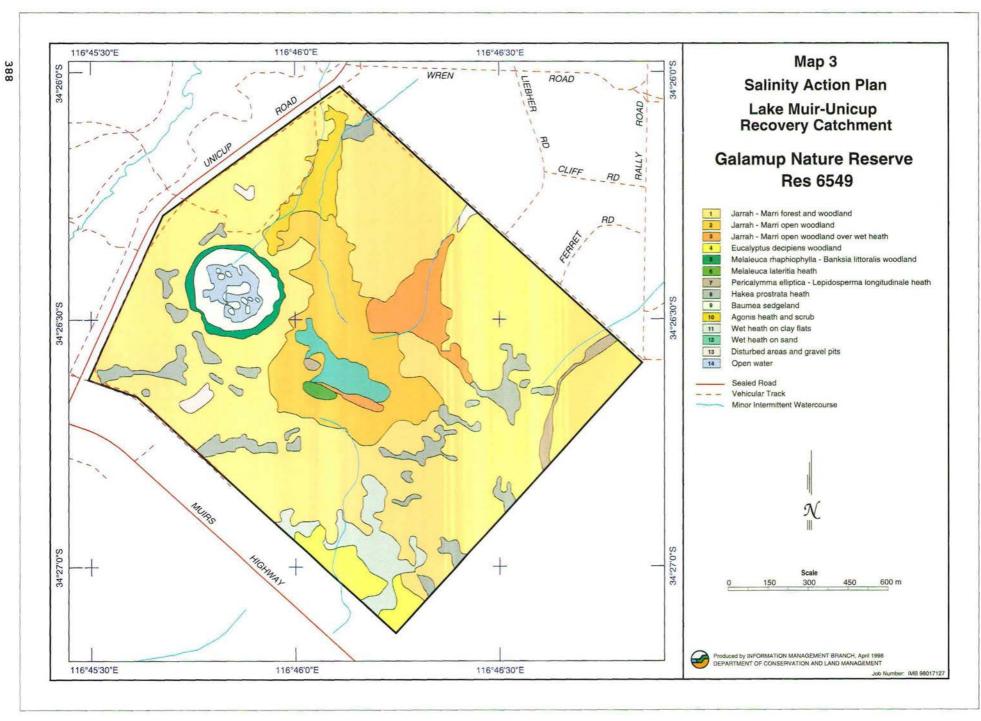
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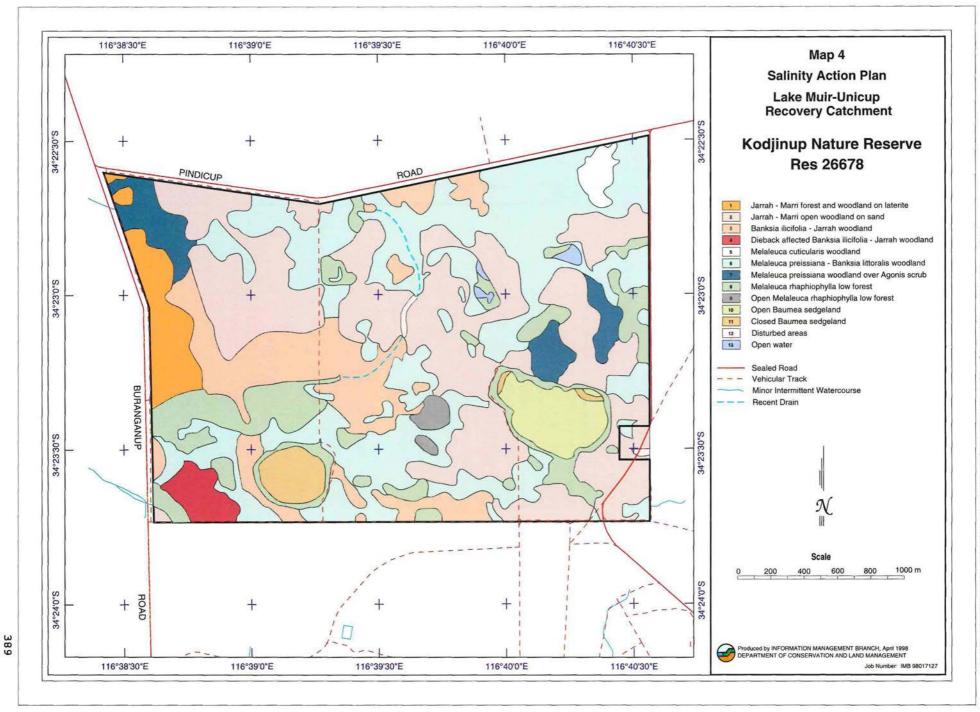
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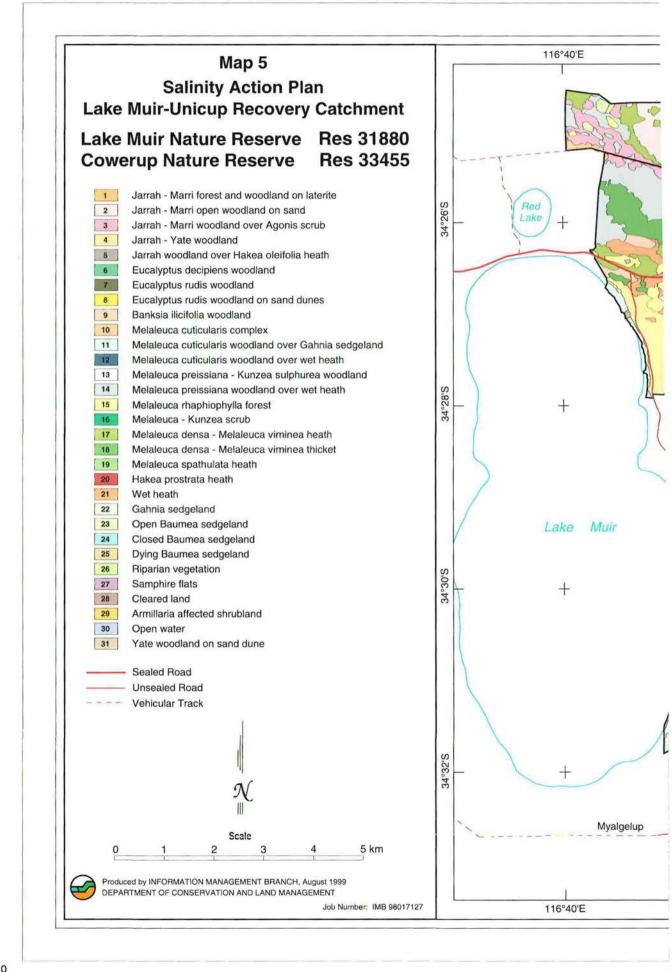




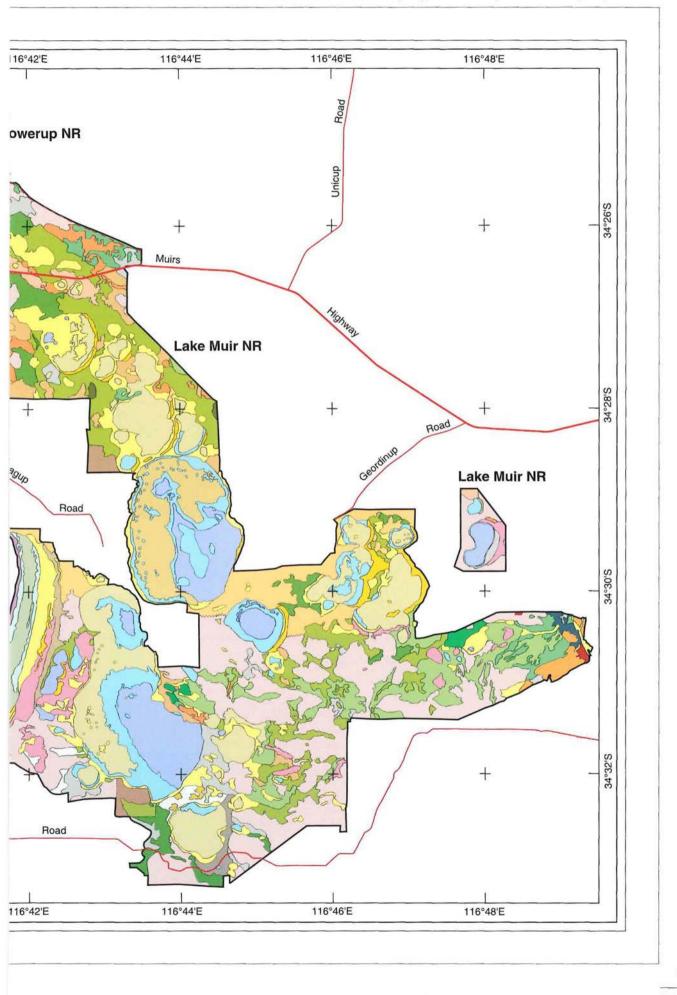


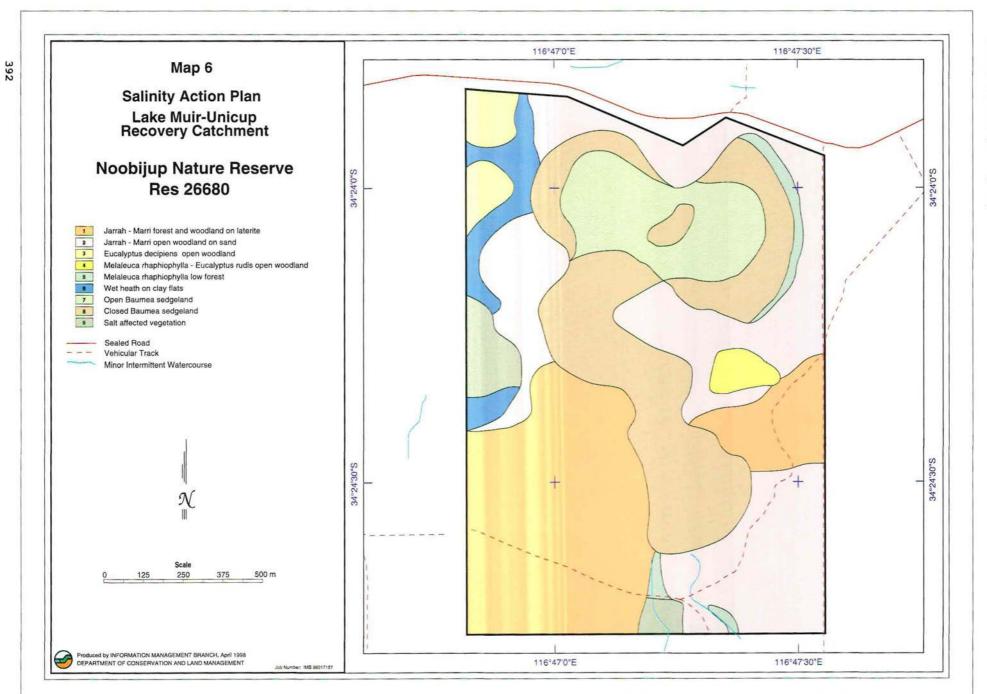




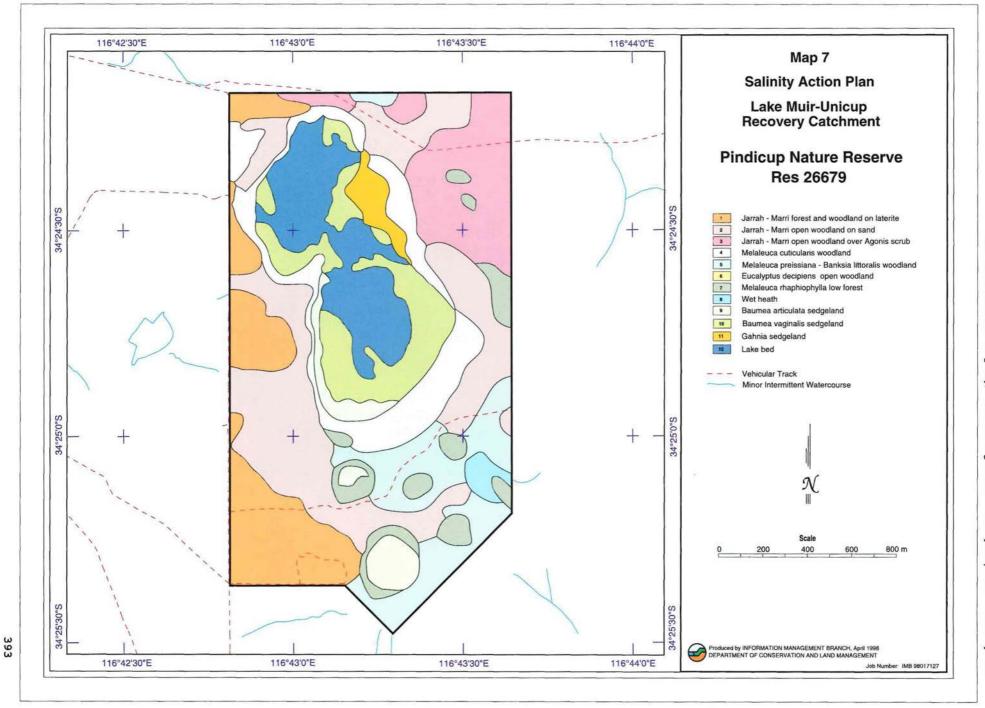




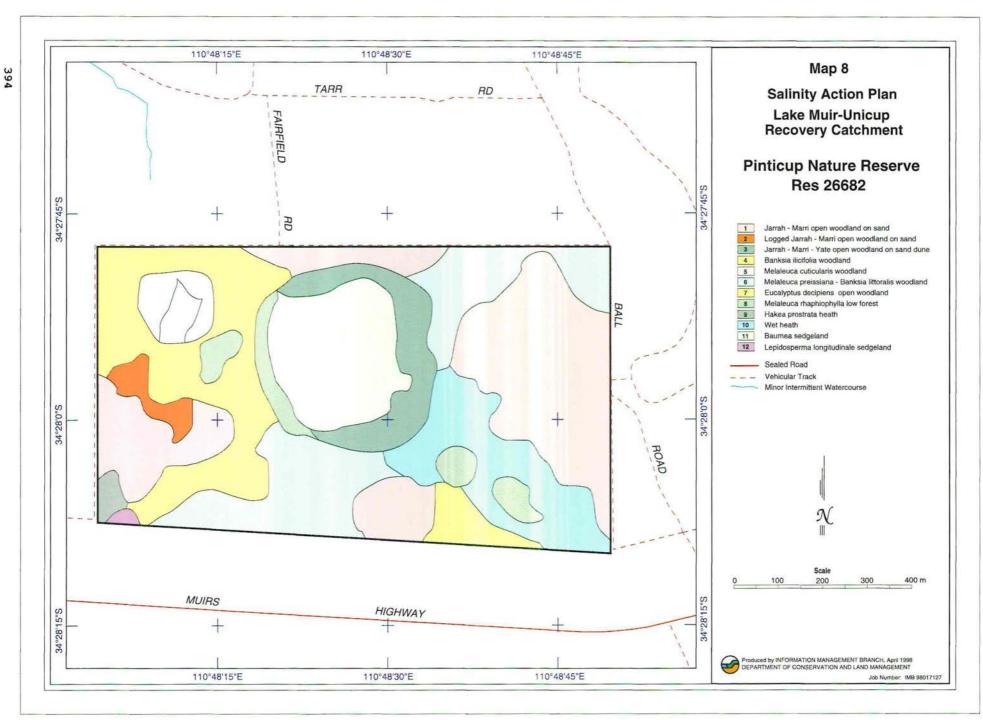




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APPENDIX 2

Total flora list for the 13 reserves of the Byenup-Muir wetland system.

(* indicates an introduced taxon, ms indicates a manuscript name)

Aizoaceae

Carpobrotus edulis Carpobrotus modestus Amaranthaceae Alternanthera nodiflora Hemichroa diandra Ptilotus drummondii Ptilotus manglesii Amaryllidaceae Amaryllis belladonna Anthericaceae Agrostocrinum scabrum Arthropodium capillipes Arthropodium preissii Borya scirpoidea Borya sphaerocephala Caesia micrantha Caesia occidentalis Chamaescilla corymbosa Chamaescilla spiralis Johnsonia acaulis Johnsonia lupulina Laxmannia minor Laxmannia sessiliflora Sowerbaea laxiflora Thysanotus arenarius Thysanotus manglesianus Thysanotus multiflorus Thysanotus patersonii Thysanotus sparteus Thysanotus tenellus Thysanotus thyrsoideus Thysanotus triandrus Tricoryne elatior Tricoryne humilis Tricoryne tenella Apiaceae Actinotus glomeratus Apium annuum Apium prostratum Centella cordifolia Daucus glochidiatus Eryngium pinnatifidum Eryngium sp. Lake Muir (E. Wittwer 2293) Homalosciadium homalocarpum Hydrocotyle alata Hydrocotyle callicarpa Hydrocotyle diantha Hydrocotyle pilifera var. glabrata Lilaeopsis polyantha Platysace filiformis Platysace juncea Schoenolaena juncea Schoenolaena tenuior Trachymene pilosa Xanthosia atkinsoniana Xanthosia candida Xanthosia ciliata Xanthosia huegelii Aspleniaceae Asplenium flabellifolium Asteraceae Angianthus preissianus Angianthus sp. Angianthus tomentosus

- * Arctotheca calendula
- * Aster subulatus

Asteridea athrixioides Asteridea pulverulenta Blennospora drummondii Brachyscome bellidioides Brachyscome ciliaris Brachyscome iberidifolia Calotis erinacea Carduus pycnocephalus Centaurea melitensis Cirsium vulgare Conyza albida Cotula australis Cotula coronopifolia Cotula cotuloides Cotula turbinata Craspedia variabilis Dittrichia graveolens Euchiton gymnocephalus Euchiton sphaericus Gnephosis tenuissima Hedypnois rhagadioloides Hyalosperma cotula Hyalosperma simplex Hypochaeris glabra Ixiolaena viscosa Lactuca serriola Lagenifera huegelii Millotia myosotidifolia Millotia tenuifolia Myriocephalus occidentalis Olearia axillaris Olearia elaeophila Olearia paucidentata Picris angustifolia Pithocarpa corymbulosa Pithocarpa pulchella Podolepis gracilis Podolepis lessonii Podotheca angustifolia Pogonolepis stricta Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum Pterochaeta paniculata Quinetia urvillei Rhodanthe citrina Rhodanthe pyrethrum Rutidosis multiflora Senecio glomeratus Senecio lautus Senecio minimus Senecio picridioides Senecio quadridentatus Siloxerus humifusus Sonchus asper Sonchus hydrophilus . Sonchus oleraceus Tolpis barbata Trichocline sp. Trichocline spathulata Ursinia anthemoides Vellereophyton dealbatum Vittadinia australasica var. australasica Waitzia nitida Waitzia suaveolens Brassicaceae Cardamine paucijuga Lepidium africanum Sisymbrium officinale Caesalpiniaceae Labichea punctata Callitrichaceae Callitriche stagnalis Campanulaceae Wahlenbergia gracilenta Wahlenbergia multicaulis Wahlenbergia preissii

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