

AUSTRALIAN TRUST FOR CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS -

Practical Support for Wildlife Conservation

ARE you looking for support for 'on the ground' nature conservation projects? Do you find that you or your group is limited by time, labour and resources? If so, the Australian Trust for Conservation Volunteers (ATCV) may be able to help you.

What is ATCV?

ATCV is a national, non profit, nonpolitical community organisation which provides assistance to



landholders for conservation projects. Our mission statement is:

'To attract and manage a force of volunteers in practical conservation projects for the betterment of the Australian environment'.

Now operating in all States and major Territories, ATCV has proved to be a valuable asset to many landholders since its inception in Victoria in 1982. Over 1000 projects are completed annually throughout the country.

What does ATCV provide?

ATCV can assist the 'on the ground' components of your project by providing a team of 6-10 volunteers under the supervision of

an experienced team leader. The types of projects commonly undertaken include revegetation, seed collecting, biological surveys, weed removal and fencing of remnant vegetation. We supply a team leader, transport to and from the work site, food for volunteers, first aid expertise and basic tools.

What do you provide?

You as the land manager are responsible for providing project planning and preparation, materials and accommodation for the team. Often shearers' quarters or community halls are a good option. A contribution towards the ATCV vehicle and administration costs is also required, the standard cost being \$330 per day plus 40c per km mileage. This fee is reducible for farmers and catchment groups. 🐾

Successful ATCV projects

Since 1994 our volunteers have successfully completed a wide variety of nature conservation projects in WA, at locations ranging from Esperance to the Pilbara. Examples include:

- the construction of 21 km of fence for malleefowl wildlife corridors at Ongerup
- the planting of 30,000 trees on farms at Bindi Bindi, East Pingelly and Gairdner
- river foreshore surveys, involving the assessment of vegetation and land use characteristics, along the Buanyanyup River in the Busselton district.

ATCV and Land for Wildlife

ATCV can contribute to making

nature conservation projects a success by bolstering the scarce resources of catchment groups and individual landholders. By involving volunteers from a wide range of backgrounds, the Trust facilitates linkages between urban and rural communities. ATCV believes that empowering members of the community to achieve 'on the ground' results is an ideal way to raise public awareness about the importance of conserving our natural heritage.

For additional details about how ATCV can support the efforts of you or your group, contact Dan Huxtable or Sandra Maley, ATCV, PO Box 1092, South Perth, WA 6951. Phone (08) 9474 3445 Fax (08) 9368 2160.