



ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

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1.0 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

I am pleased to present my Chairman's report for 2017/18.

This has seen many changes in the CWBA. The engagement of Linda Vernon to the role of EO, has been significant in the groups success. Her knowledge and organisation skills have proven invaluable. The board has been kept well informed with regular updates and any requests for additional information, where possible, has been provided. My position as Chairman is far less onerous and time consuming. I congratulate the committee members involved in the interview process.

I would like to thank Russell MacPherson for his continued role as LPMT coordinator. It is a position that comes with many challenges having to keep in regular contact with all 3 LPMT's and ensure that growers are able to report dog activity and be confident that the appropriate LPMT is advised of location and action can be taken. There has been in excess of 460 stock attacks from within the CWBA prescribed area in the past year, so accurate reporting is imperative so that traps and baits can be set and laid to achieve maximum effect.

We welcomed Morawa Shire as an additional member of the CWBA in November 2017. The Shire has had a history of devastating wild dog and feral pig activity impacting both stock and cropping enterprises, so has been seen as almost a natural progression in our attempts to gain some control with these pests. Now that LPMT's have access to both private and state-controlled land to the North and East, there is the opportunity to use control measures to limit and hopefully slow any advance from them.

The drive to have as many as possible landowners with in the CWBA with RCP's has been very successful. After some initial delays, the process is now relatively quick and easy. There are still areas in Morawa that are problematic due to the inability of LPMT's to have access to land or there not being a current RCP. It will be a priority to ensure greater communication with land owners to persuade them of the importance in being involved.

A major challenge has been ensuring a continued and sustainable funding model to allow the CWBA to continue to provide LPMT's and an organisation that is able to administer and accurately report their activities. After much deliberation, a "Declared Pest Rate" using the Ad Valorem methodology, was agreed upon which will attract matching funding from the State Government. This was prescribed by the Minister in June 2018 and the rate notices are being issued as this report is being written. Due to a carry-over of funding from 2017, we have been able to keep the rate at a minimum, to raise around \$106,000.

I would like to thank the involvement of Bait Rack Coordinators. There has been in excess of 40,000 baits prepared across 5 bait racks. I wish to remind everyone who uses these baits to ensure that their RCP's are current and they have the correct signage in place.

There have been numerous community engagement activities across all four Local Governments with media advertisements, flyers and posters, workshops and a presence at the Dowerin Field Days. These have been well attended on most occasions, and I would like to thank all those involved. We have worked closely with DPIRD officers all year to ensure that information provided is accurate and informative.

There are many who have been involved and assisted in the continued success of the CWBA. DPIRD Officers Julia Murphy and Glenice Batchelor have been a vital conduit to both DPIRD and the Minister for Regional Development. I thank them for their assistance.

I would like to express my gratitude to our EO Linda Vernon and my fellow BOM directors for their support this year.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ricky Storer', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ricky Storer
Chairman CWBA

2.0 OVERVIEW

The CWBA aspires to most effectively use the group's resources to manage priority declared pests and to assist the group to meet its responsibilities under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 (BAMA).

It has a Strategic Plan and Annual Operational plans that outline a collaborative, multi-stakeholder approach to invasive species management that will enhance the coordination of:

- On-ground activities to manage priority biosecurity threats;
- Training, education and awareness raising opportunities; and
- Collaborative arrangements with government and non-government stakeholders to identify, manage and mitigate high priority feral pest threats.

Board of Management

The CWBA Constitution provides for a Board of Management who are responsible for overseeing the affairs of the Association. The Board of Management consists of a Chairperson; Deputy Chairperson; Secretary and Treasurer and no less than 3 and no more than 7 other members. Directors terms of appointment are for a three-year period.

As at 30 June 2018 The CWBA Board of Management consists of:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Chair Person	Rick Storer	2018
Deputy Chair Person	Doug Cail	2020
Secretary and Treasurer	Executive Officer	
Director 1	Russell Macpherson	2020
Director 2	Phillip Logue	2018
Director 3	Chris Patmore	2020
Director 4	Mark Sutton	2020
Director 5	Greg Westlund	2019
Director 6	Ashley Sanderson	2019

The Board of Management held face to face meetings as well as phone hook ups as required throughout the year to conduct the affairs of the Association.

Dogger Coordinator

Board of Management Director Russell Macpherson has continued another year as Dogger Coordinator for the CWBA. He continues to be the first point of contact for all stock attacks to be reported to by landholders in the region. Russell then provides this information to the relevant Licensed Pest Management Technicians (LPMTs) and directs their activities as necessary. His role and knowledge continue to be valued by the Association. Russell has also worked with the Executive Officer to ensure that all stock attacks, dog sightings and any other information provided by landholders or LPMTs are recorded so that the group have a clear understanding of what activity is going on with Wild Dog presence/sightings and good data is recorded within the region.

Executive Officer

The CWBA continue to employ a part-time Executive Officer that is responsible for the day to day management of the Association including providing executive support to the Board of Management, administration and financial duties, design and delivery of community engagement activities and the development of governance and operational planning activities for the Association. November 2017 saw the resignation of Claire Baker as Executive Officer after 18 months, the Association extend appreciation to Claire for all the work she put in over this time. The position was advertised and the Koorda Community Resource Centre were again successful in gaining the three-year contract with Linda Vernon being appointed as the Executive Officer on their behalf, starting in the role in December 2017.

3.0 CWBA AIMS & OBJECTIVES

3.1 Our Aim

Effective management of feral pests in the Central Wheatbelt.

3.2 Our Objectives

The objectives of the CWBA cover three core themes:

- Management
- Engagement and Collaboration
- Measurement.

Management

- a. Develop and implement proactive, best practice strategies to reduce the effects of declared pests (wild dogs, foxes, feral pigs and rabbits) on private and public lands

Engagement and collaboration

- b. Increase stakeholder participation and encourage landholders and the broader community to adopt sound biosecurity practices
- c. Provide members with a mechanism to exchange information, advice and assistance where appropriate
- d. Encourage and support collaboration for declared pest management in adjacent shires and regions

Measurement

- e. Observe, assess, and report on the progress concerning the reduction of negative impacts of declared pests.

4.0 2017-2018 OPERATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

4.1 DECLARED PEST RATE

Throughout this twelve months the Board of Management undertook a range of research and consultation on the ability of the CWBA to raise a rate as a mechanism to provide our communities with guaranteed annual funds and a sustainable funding model to enable the Association to undertake its activities.

The CWBA requested the Minister for Agriculture and Food to approve a Declared Pest Rate (DPR) in the Shires of Dalwallinu, Koorda, Morawa and Perenjori for 2018/19 of:

- 0.0234 cents in the dollar on the unimproved value on land in the local government districts of Dalwallinu, Koorda, Morawa and Perenjori, that is:
- identified as freehold on the rural valuation roll maintained under the Valuation of Land Act 1978; and
- no less than 100 hectares in area; and
- a minimum amount of \$80.00.

The Minister also undertook her own consultation as a part of the DPR consultation process and sent out 675 letters to landholders across the CWBA region. Six submissions were received, one in support, four opposed and one neutral. On the 28th June 2018 the Minister prescribed the Declared Pest Rate as recommended by the CWBA. These funds raised in 2018-2019 will be matched dollar for dollar by the Western Australian State Government.

4.2 FUNDING & GRANTS

AUSTRALIAN WOOL INNOVATION

In January 2017 Australian Wool Innovation Pty Ltd provided funds for the engagement of an LPMT to work on-ground with landholders in an identified area of our region to implement control activities for the control of Wild Dogs that were impacting on the agricultural zone and attacking stock – primarily sheep.

This project commenced in April 2017 and \$60,000.00 was received to employ an additional LPMT for 72.5 days (of which AWI funding paid for 60 of these days) from April 2017 – April 2018 who on average for this period of time had 40 traps in the ground each month, laid 4,706 additional 1080 dried meat baits and trapped 7 male dogs, 6 female dogs as well as shooting 2 male dogs on agricultural land in the region. This funding and additional LPMT time has now concluded.

ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM – WILD DOG MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The CWBA were successful in receiving financial assistance from the Royalties for Regions Program – Wild Dog Management Program to employ one half-time (0.5FTE) Licensed Pest Management Technician to reduce the number of Wild Dogs on government managed lands and adjoining agricultural land. Funding of \$140,625.00 was received for the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2020.

ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM – TRANSFORMING REGIONAL BIOSECURITY RESPONSE PROJECT

The CWBA were financially supported by during this financial year through the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development Transforming Regional Biosecurity Response Project providing \$284,000.00. This allowed the CWBA to implement consultation and engagement activities with the community, capacity building, planning and on-ground activities to manage identified declared pests in its region for twelve months until it was able to raise a Declared Pest Rate in 2018/2019.

CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVE

In January 2018 the CWBA were successful in receiving funding of \$109,050.00 from the Western Australian State Government Royalties for Regions Funding to contribute to the capacity building and skills development activities identified in the WA Wild Dog Action Plan 2016-21. This can include (but may not be limited to) Biosecurity Group support, communications, capacity building, adoption of practices for wild dog control and industry revitalisation, research (including information management), and monitoring and evaluation.

Table 1: Breakdown of the CWBA Capacity Building Funds

Activity	Amount
Employment of an Executive Officer	\$70,000.00
Monitoring & Evaluation Activities	\$29,050.00
Stakeholder Engagement and Partnership Empowerment	\$10,000.00
	\$109,050.00

This project will conclude on the 30 June 2019.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Local Governments of Dalwallinu, Koorda and Perenjori have had a long association and partnership with the CWBA since its inception as a Declared Species Group in 2012. In 2017-18 the Shire of Morawa was included in the designated area of the CWBA. All four Local Governments provided a financial contribution/donation to the CWBA 2017-2018 Operational Plan.

Table 2: CWBA Local Government Contributions 2017-2018

Local Government	Amount
Shire of Dalwallinu	\$25,000.00
Shire of Koorda	\$10,000.00
Shire of Morawa	\$10,000.00
Shire of Perenjori	\$25,000.00
Total Funds Contributed	\$70,000.00

4.3 PARTNERSHIPS AND AGREEMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND ATTRACTIONS

The CWBA signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Geraldton (Midwest Region) of the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) in September 2017. This MoU relates specifically to the control of Wild Dogs on Parks and Wildlife managed lands and outlines a series of common understandings and statements of agreements. The document also outlines ability and requirements for CWBA LPMTs to undertake control activities on Parks and Wildlife managed lands in the region, including specifically within the Karara Conservation Park including Kadji Kadji, Lochada and Karara complexes. This MoU is to be review annually. Appreciation and acknowledgement is extended to Jamie Conway-Physick, Senior Operations Officer -Rangelands, for his support in achieving this MoU and working relationship with the CWBA.

DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The CWBA have worked closely with; and as the Association has become more independent then continue to work alongside a range of staff from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development(DPIRD) Biosecurity team as we have transitioned to a Recognised Biosecurity Group and all the roles and responsibilities that has entailed. Appreciation is acknowledged to Glenice Batchelor and Julia Murphy, DPIRD Biosecurity Officers for their continued operational support though out this time.

AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE CONSERVANCY – MT GIBSON

In October 2017 the CWBA and the Australian Wildlife Conservancy signed an agreement for access to Mt Gibson Sanctuary by CWBA LPMTs to implement agreed control activities for Wild Dogs. This agreement was for a twelve-month period and it is hoped by the CWBA to continue working together with the Mt Gibson Sanctuary team into the future.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL INNOVATION (AWI)

Meja Aldrich WA Wild Dog Control Coordinator WA, funded AWI by has also continued to provide support, advice and networking knowledge to the Association over the last 12 months. The CWBA recognises the value this networking role is to all RBGs across WA as well as nationally.

4.3 LPMTs

The CWBA employed the following Licensed Pest Management Technicians;

	<u>LPMT Name</u>	<u>Area Covered</u>
LPMT 1	Graeme Newton	Dalwallinu & Koorda
LPMT 2	Daniel Reed, Aussie Feral Pest Management	Perenjori
LPMT 3	Ray Hughes	Morawa

They worked a total of 187 days across the region undertaking control activities of baiting, trapping and shooting on both public and private land primarily targeting wild dogs, foxes and rabbits. All three LPMT contracts expire at 30 June 2018 and an Expression of Interest process was undertaken by the Board of Management and the Executive Officer in May 2018 for LPMT services for an initial 12-month period commencing 1 July 2018.

4.4 FOX & WILD DOG BAITING

The CWBA has five bait racks located in the region which has local landholders as their Coordinators. These are for the purpose of making 1080 dried meat baits for fox and wild dog control. Coordinated baiting programs were organized for September 2017 and March-April 2018 where by landholders were provided with access to a total of 36,500 dried meat baits. 2,000 1080 warning signs were also purchase and supplied at the bait racks for landholders to use.

Table 3: CWBA Bait Rack Data 2017-2018

Bait Rack	Coordinator	September 2017	March - April 2018
Morawa Bait Rack	Glen Tapscott	2500	5000
Perenjori Bait Rack	Glen Solomon	4000	7000
Mongers Lake Bait Rack	Russell Macpherson	2000	2500
Goodlands Bait Rack	Dave Hudson	3000	3500
Koorda Bait Rack	Carl Fushbichler	3000	4000
Totals		14,500	22,000

4.5 RABBIT BAITING

The CWBA provided free 1080 Rabbit Oat Bait Mixing days to landholders in March-April 2018. 17 landholders expressed an interest in participating in this activity, of which 14 landholders were provided with access to free 1080 One-Shot Oats purchased by the CWBA. These were mixed in with 1,632kg of oats provided by the landholders, which was then laid at identified locations on their properties across the region.

Three landholders did not end up participating as they did not have current Restricted Chemical Product (RCP) Permits at this point in time. The CWBA then assisted these landholders to obtain RCP Permits.

4.6 FERAL PIG CONTROL

The CWBA had identified after attending a community workshop in Morawa that coordinated control activities were required in the western area of the Morawa Shire to control Feral Pigs. It was also identified that these Feral Pigs were likely to be inhabiting land in the neighboring Shire of Mingenew-Irwin. The CWBA approached the Mingenew-Irwin Group to work together on coordinated baiting program in late March 2018. Landholders were given the opportunity to attend a Feral Pig Control Workshop in Mingenew on the 22 February to learn techniques (particularly on pre-feeding) on how to implement a coordinated baiting program, jointly funded by the CWBA and the Mingenew-Irwin Group. Six landholders from Morawa attended. A Feral Pig Bait mixing day was held on the 12th March 2018 where by LPMTs mixed 1080 into landholder's grain. Only 1 landholder from Morawa participated in the Bait Mixing day.

4.6 RESTRICTED CHEMICAL PRODUCT PERMITS

In 2017-2018 the CWBA made the decision to pay for the cost of and provide assistance to landholders with obtaining Restricted Chemical Product (RCP) Permits so that they themselves and the CWBA employed LPMTs could access their properties to undertake control activities.

RCP workshops were held across the region in July 2017, one in each of the communities to provide landholders with the information and understanding about RCP Permits. A total of 30 landholders were provide with assistance to complete RCP permits.

4.7 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The CWBA have been proactive and continues to engage with the community about Declared Pests, control activities and the incoming Declared Pest Rate. Below is an outline of key community engagement activities undertaken by the Association over the last twelve months.

Table 4: CWBA Community Engagement Activities 2017-2018

Month	Activity Type	Details
July 2017	Pest Workshops. Presentation on RBGs and DPR, RCPs, Declared Pests and their control and then discussion on DPR rate for CWBA.	4 th – 6 th July 2017 Koorda, Dalwallinu, Perenjori and Morawa
August 2017	Dowerin Field Days Glenice Batchelor and Julia Murphy DPIRD undertook community engagement for the CWBA with information on RBGs and DPR.	Dowerin
December 2017	CWBA Newsletter Paragraph on progress of DPR Rate with in December Newsletter and letting the community know that it was going to be implemented.	Local Papers, 19 December 2017 2 full pages.
March 2018	CWBA Open Letter to the Community. Details on proposed DPR rate.	Local Papers, 26 March 2018 2 full pages.
March 2018	CWBA Open Letter to the Community. Details on proposed DPR rate.	Flyer Letter drop to every post box at all Post Office's in CWBA region.
March 2018 – On-going	Social Media Posts Open Letter to the Community posted to Facebook as well as RBGs & DPR specific information.	On-going, CWBA Facebook Page
April 2018	Direct Ratepayer Letter Letter to every Ratepayer in CWBA with land over 100ha. Contact details from the all Local Government's Rate role.	Monday 9 th April 2018
April 2018	Local Government Letter A direct letter to the President, Councilors and CEO was emailed updating them on the CWBA activities and the incoming DPR.	14 th April 2018
May 2018	E-newsletter To all CWBA contacts advising them of an update on CWBA activities and that the Ministerial Public Consultation would be commencing.	30 th May 2018
June 2018	Ministerial Consultation Ministerial Public Consultation Letter direct to all CWBA Ratepayers. Contact details from all Local Government's Rate role.	1 June 2018

June 2018	CWBA June Newsletter Update of Association activities, new LPMTs commencing 1 July and DPR update.	Local Papers, 25 June 2018 2 full pages.
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4.8 Other Activities

CWBA member and Director Chris Patmore, with his role as Chair of the Western Beef and Sheep Producers Committee of the Pastoralist and Graziers Association of Western Australia is one of two Western Australian representatives on the National Wild Dog Action Plan Coordination Committee.

5.0 WILD DOG ACTIVITY AND STOCK LOSSES

In general, it is the view of the CWBA and landholders that Wild Dog activity is increasing in the region over this year. The data that has been collected over this twelve months includes the Morawa area from November 2017 so that relates directly to the increase in Wild Dog sightings and stock attacks reported as well. A total of 37 Wild Dogs were destroyed for the year in the region.

Key areas that appear to be “hot spots” are East Gutha, North East Morawa, East Perenjori, Goodlands, the Koolanooka Hills and agricultural land adjacent to Salt Lake Systems across the region.

There has been an increase in reporting and stock attacks over the last six months and we believe that this is directly related to our community engagement activities and educating landholders and the community to report Wild Dog sightings and stock attacks. It is alarming that packs of Wild Dogs have been reported to have been seen in the East Morawa area.

A total of 469 stock (sheep and goats) losses were report by landholders to the CWBA. We do believe that this is the minimum number of stock losses as it is likely to be more with some landholders still not reporting. The CWBA responds immediately when landholders report stock losses and Wild Dog sightings to the Dogger Coordinator and send a LPMT out to the area as soon as possible.

Table 5: Summary of LPMT Reported Data 2017-2018

End of Year LPMT Statistics Summary	1 July 2017- 30 June 2018
LPMT Days Worked	187
Baits Laid by LPMTs	12,814
Wild Dogs Trapped	25

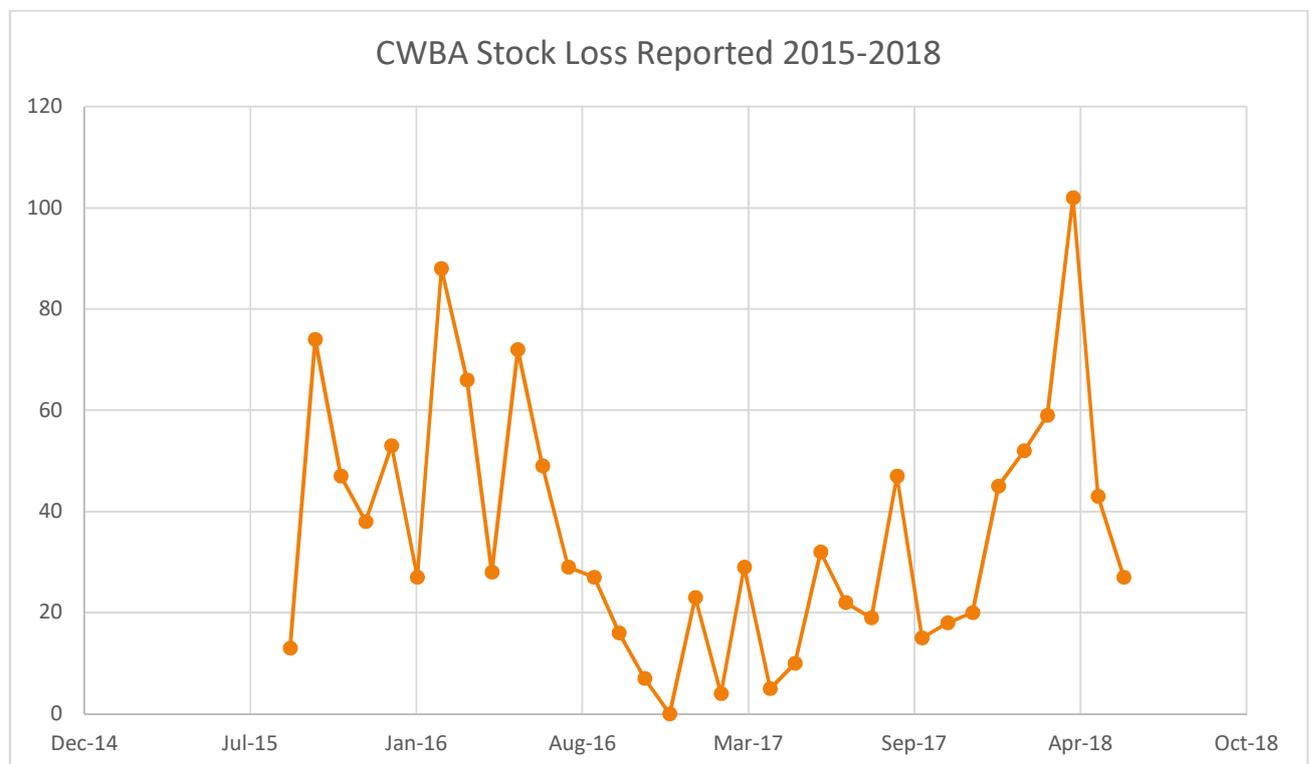
Table 6: Summary of Reporting by Landholders 2017-2018

Landholder Reports	Total Number
Wild Dogs Shot by landholders	12
Reported Wild Dog Sightings	51
Stock Loss Reports	469

Table 7: Monthly Summary of Stock Loss/Stock Attacks Reported to CWBA

Month	No. Stock killed	Key Hot Spot Areas
July	22	Jiberding and East Morawa
August	19	Jiberding
September	47	North East Morawa and E Gutha - Yalgoo
October	15	East Perenjori and North East Morawa
November	18	East Perenjori and Goodlands
December	20	Goodlands
January	45	East Gutha & East Perenjori
February	52	EastPerenjori
March	59	North East Morawa
April	102	North East Morawa
May	43	East Gutha
June	27	East Gutha and Goodlands
TOTAL	469	

Graph 1: Summary of CWBA Stock Loss Reported 2015-2018



6.0 SUMMARY

The CWBA are playing a key role in Declared Pest management with in our region. We are working with all stakeholders to effectively support coordinated control activities

The CWBA have now transitioned to an incorporated Association and have the governance, resources and structures in place. It held its first AGM under this new structure in August 2017 and the Board of Management have successfully steered the Association through the first twelve months of this RBG journey.

In February 2018 the CWBA became responsible for and now undertake the financial administration and activities of the Association. This was previously managed by the Shire of Dalwallinu and we extend our grateful thanks to them for providing the Association with this financial support over the last 5 years.

We have employed a part-time Executive Officer to undertake the administration and governance of the association. Employed three Local Pest Management Technicians (LPMTs) for 187 days who trapped or shot 25 Wild Dogs, had an average of 46 traps in the ground and laid 12,814 baits across the region. 36,500 dried meat baits were purchased by the CWBA of which 23,686 were used by landholders free of charge in coordinated community baiting programs in September 2017 and April 2018. We held 10 bait days for landholders to access baits for the control of wild dogs, feral pigs, foxes and rabbits and assisted 30 landholders to obtain Restricted Chemical Product Permits.

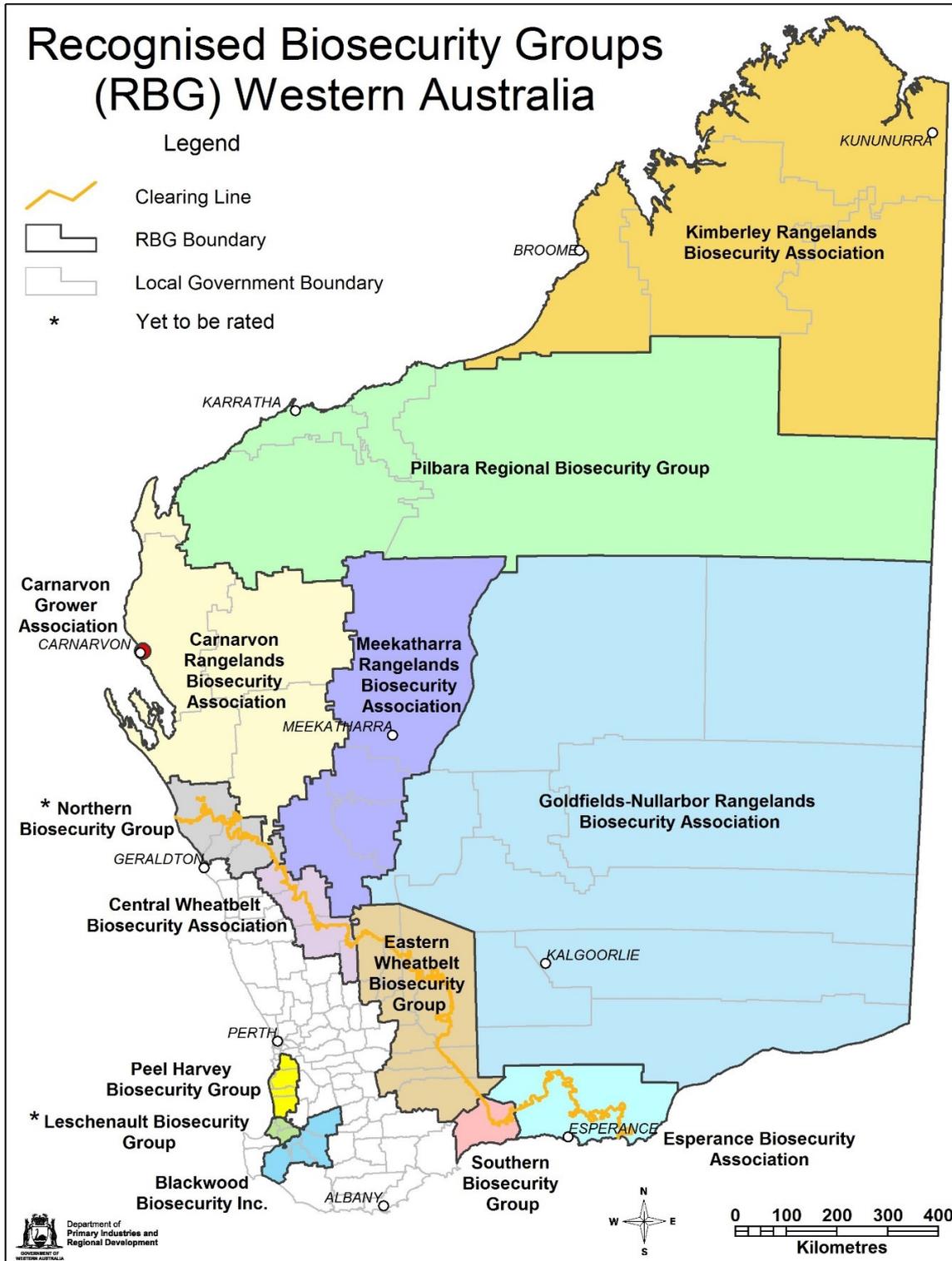
469 stock losses/attacks were reported to the CWBA during this period, which is concerning. Key hot spots are in the east of the areas region on agricultural land adjacent to the State Barrier Fence. The number of wild dog sightings reported has increased across the year by landholders. Rabbit numbers across the region this year appeared low with the release of the RHDV1K5 and other existing strains of the calicivirus being effective biocontrol.

Feral Pigs have been identified as an emerging issue in the western area of the Shire Morawa which is impacting on agricultural land and the CWBA will continue to investigate options and engage with the community to implement coordinated control activities to assist landholders addressing this issue.

The CWBA has been successful in attracting external funds to assist with on-ground activities and is something that it will continue to do where funding is available so ensure that the Declared Pest Rate remains as low as possible for landholders.

These declared pests are a significant and real threat to productive agricultural systems, the environment and public health and safety in our region and across Western Australia. Not everyone will be directly impacted by declared pests, but success relies on well timed cooperative control activities over the whole landscape. Everyone needs to be involved, resourced and supported. Biosecurity is as much about prevention as it is about control.

APPENDICES 1: AREA OF OPERATION



APPENDICES 2 FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

CWBA Financials 2017-2018 - Summary 1 July 2017 - 30 June 2018

Opening Balance 1 July 2017		\$	384,123.37
Bank Accounts			
DPRID Bridging Funds Account	312,400.00		
CWBA Own Funds	30,033.37		
AWI Funds	41,690.00		
Plus Income			
R4R Wild Dog Funding Grant	60,000.00		
R4R Capacity Building Project	70,000.00		
AWI Grant Funding	5,000.00		
Shire Annual Contributions	70,000.00		
Interest Received on all Accounts	1,229.51		
GST Collected	13,500.00		
			219,729.51
Less Expenses			
LPMT	142,415.79		
Project Management	42,332.17		
Community Engagement	9,405.22		
Projects / Baiting	29,421.09		
GST Paid	19,907.12		
			243,481.39
Closing Cashbook			\$360,371.49
Outstanding Transactions			
Less Income	-		
Plus Expenses	6,238.78		
			\$366,610.27
Balance of Bank Accounts @ 30 June 2018			
DPIRD Bridging Funds	268,506.74		
CWBA Own Funds	98,103.53		
AWI Funds			
			\$366,610.27
Closing Balance 30 June 2018		\$	366,610.27

APPENDICES 3: AUDITORS REPORT

4th October 2018

Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association
58 Johnston Street
Dalwallinu WA 6609

Dear Committee

Financial Report Audit for the Year Ended 30 June 2018

We have completed the audit of your Association's accounts for the year ended 30 June 2018.

We direct your attention to the fact that the responsibility for the preparation of the financial statements and adequate disclosure is that of the Committee. This includes the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls, the selection and application of accounting policies and the safeguarding of monies of the Association.

The purpose of our audit of the financial report is to express an opinion on that report and this report on management issues includes only matters that come to our attention during the conduct of our work and therefore should not be regarded as a comprehensive statement of management issues that may exist.

Our audit procedures highlighted the following issues for your consideration and implementation where possible.

Audited Financial Report

We have determined that the financial report is not materially misstated after the adjustment of the following:

Income and Expenses for period July 2017 to February 2018

We have processed the necessary adjustment in MYOB Essential to bring this activity to account to ensure the full year transactions are correctly reflected into the accounts.

Trade Creditors

During our review of trade creditors, we noted that some payments made during the year had not been directly applied against the corresponding bills. As a result, there were multiple credit balances on the creditors listing that will need to be tidied up and applied against the corresponding bills directly.

We noted no other significant matters that should be raised or brought to the attention of the Management Committee.

We thank you for the kind assistance provided during the audit. If you wish to discuss any of the above items or require any further information, please contact us immediately.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. K. Oliver', written in a cursive style.

LEANNE K OLIVER CPA RCA
Director

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**CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION
ABN 46 359 975 258**

**Audited Financial Report
For the Year Ended 30 June 2018**

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**AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018**

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**CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION
ABN 46 359 975 258**

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

Assets	2018
DPIRD Bridging Funds	262,268
CWBA Own Funds	<u>98,104</u>
Total Assets	360,371
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	11,213
GST collected	13,500
GST paid	<u>(12,553)</u>
Total Liabilities	12,160
Net Assets	<u>348,211</u>
Equity	
Retained Earnings	375,750
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(27,538)
Total Equity	<u>348,211</u>

CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION
ABN 46 359 975 258

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2018

Income	2018
Grant Funding	70,000
AWI Grant Funding	5,000
R4R Wild Dog Funding	60,000
R4R Capacity Building Project	70,000
Total Income	205,000
Expenses	
LPMT	17,000
LPMT 1 - Dan Reed	81,225
LPMT 2 - Gareme Newton	39,619
LPMT 3 - Ray Hughes	10,643
LPMT - General Exp	2,856
Accountant / Bookkeeping Fees	495
Administration Exp	3,915
CWBA Meeting Exp	13,098
Executive Officer	15,389
Insurance	8,507
Advertising / Signage	6,554
Workshops	3,805
PROJECT /BAITING	545
Chemical	696
Freight	7,784
RCR Permit	1,995
Rabbit Bait Mix Day	8,002
Goodlands Bait Rack	1,500
Perenjori Bait Rack	3,400
Monger Land Bait Rack	1,500
Koorda Bait Rack	3,740
Morowa Bait Rack	1,500
Total Expenses	233,768
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(28,768)
Other Income	
Interest Income	1,230
Total Other Income	1,230
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(27,538)

CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION
ABN 46 359 975 258
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA). The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (WA) and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 112 Income Taxes

AASB 110 Events after the Balance Sheet Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on a cash basis, except for all tax liabilities and fixed assets, which are individually recognised and provided for.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

a) Income Tax

The Association is a non-profit organisation and thus exempted from income tax liability by virtue of section 23(3) of the Income Tax Assessment Act.

b) Goods & Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report:

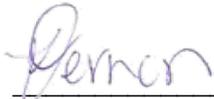
1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



CHAIRPERSON

Name: Ricky Storer



TREASURER

Name: Linda Vernon

Dated this 4th day of October 2018

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
CENTRAL WHEATBELT BIOSECURITY ASSOCIATION.**

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association. which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2018, and the income statement, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Auditors Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association. presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association. as of 30 June 2018 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

The financial report is prepared in accordance with a special purpose framework and accordingly may not be suitable for other purposes. The opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (WA) and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and

applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act (WA). We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.



LEANNE K OLIVER CPA RCA
Director

BYFIELDS BUSINESS ADVISERS
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Dated at Perth, Western Australia this 4th October 2018