



ANNUAL REPORT 2018 / 19

SOUTHERN BIOSECURITY GROUP

Recognised biosecurity group for the
Shire of Ravensthorpe



PESTS AND WEEDS

Your environment

Your responsibility

Your legacy



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Karyn with Minister MacTiernan at the launch of the Esperance Extension of the State Barrier Fence

KARYN TUCKETT

CHAIR

"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved." Mattie Stepanek

E-mail: sbg.chair@gmail.com

The Southern Biosecurity Group (SBG) is established as a subcommittee of Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network (RAIN) for the purpose of being a Recognised Biosecurity Group under the Biosecurity Agriculture Management Act 2007. A report is provided by the group to each RAIN meeting, where feedback is also sought on coordinated activities.

The Biosecurity Management Strategy for Ravensthorpe Shire, developed through consultation with community and other stakeholders, provides the framework that guides the group to meet its objectives. That being, to manage the impact of declared species so that they have minimal impact on the agricultural industry, landscapes and biodiversity values within the shire and to assist and encourage a consistent, integrated and cooperative approach to management across all land types within the shire.

In August 2018, Kylie Fletcher was contracted to the Executive Officer position. Kylie's commitment to the position has been invaluable to both myself and the committee.

To the Management Committee thank you for volunteering your time and personal expenses to participate in committee meetings and the decision making process. Also to RAIN treasurer, Jenny Biddulph for your professionalism in administering the finances of the group.

A capacity building initiative made possible by Australian Government White Paper Funding, administered by Department Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) enabled the group to undertake a mentoring program for Licensed Pest Management Technicians (LPMT). The

outcome of the program resulted in Max Siemer being contracted to the group. Max's control activities continue to make a difference in the reduction in wild dog numbers.

Collaboration with other Recognised Biosecurity Groups, particular those in the agricultural zone has been beneficial. Appreciation is extended to Meja Aldrich, Australian Wool Innovation, Wild Dog Coordinator for WA and Glenice Batchelor, Community Engagement, Sustainability, Biosecurity Officer, DPRID for coordination of events. A major milestone was sharing the cost to engage a lawyer to ensure that groups were compliant with contracts for their LMPT.

The commencement to the 660 kilometre extension to the State Barrier Fence, will create a boundary to protect the south-eastern farming regions from the impact of wild dogs, kangaroos and emus. The extension will run from the current termination point in the Ravensthorpe Shire to the coast east of Esperance. This milestone follows on from many years of volunteer commitment by landholders from Ravensthorpe and Esperance on the State Barrier Fence Extension Committee.

Looking forward to a productive 2019/20 year, that will benefit our shire as a whole.

ABOUT SBG

We believe declared pests can be better managed by a coordinated approach between community, industry and government.

Southern Biosecurity Group is a subgroup of the Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network (RAIN) with the mandate to coordinate control of declared pest species in the Shire of Ravensthorpe. We first began operating in 2002 as the Ravensthorpe Declared Species Group. At that time, our role involved coordinating wild dog control in the shire. We achieved good control of wild dog numbers through a range of activities including dispersing of 1080 baits, trapping and shooting.

We believe declared pests can be better managed by a coordinated approach between community, industry and government.

This belief has led us to become a Recognised Biosecurity Group through the Biosecurity and Agricultural Management Act 2007 (BAM Act). This means community funds raised through the Declared Pest Rate are matched

dollar for dollar by government, enabling us to provide coordinated and targeted control of declared pests within the shire.

Southern Biosecurity Group contract a part time Executive Officer and a Licensed Pest Management Technician (up to 100 days per year).

A map showing the group's area of control is included in the attachments.





MEET THE TEAM

Committee members for the 2018/19 financial year were:

KARYN TUCKETT

Chair

JEN CHAMBERS

Committee member

REECE LAYCOCK

Committee member

GEMMA WALKER

Committee member

BEVAN TUCKETT

Committee member

Committee was supported in delivering the works by the following contractors:

KYLIE FLETCHER

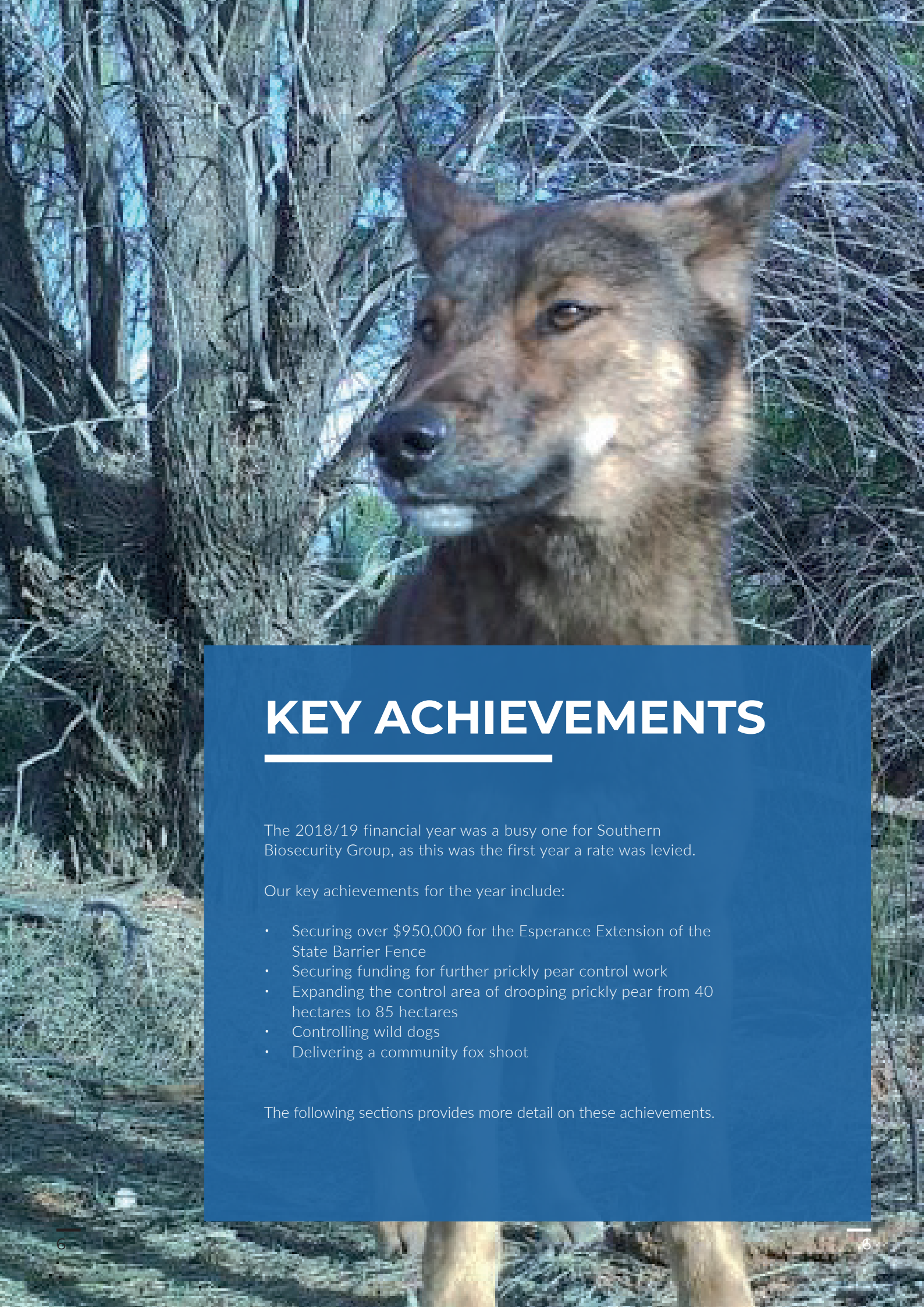
Executive Officer

MAX SIEMER

Licensed Pest Management
Technician

MARK CRONIN

Licensed Weed Management
Technician



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

The 2018/19 financial year was a busy one for Southern Biosecurity Group, as this was the first year a rate was levied.

Our key achievements for the year include:

- Securing over \$950,000 for the Esperance Extension of the State Barrier Fence
- Securing funding for further prickly pear control work
- Expanding the control area of drooping prickly pear from 40 hectares to 85 hectares
- Controlling wild dogs
- Delivering a community fox shoot

The following sections provides more detail on these achievements.

WILD DOG CONTROL

Wild dogs do not respect tenure boundaries such as fences, borders or land uses.

Over the 2018/19 financial year Southern Biosecurity Group has laid over 3000 baits across the area, with 11 wild dogs destroyed, and nine foxes. It is likely that control numbers are higher, as this does not include feral animals that may have taken a bait.

Dogs destroyed, not including baited	Baits dispersed	Reported stock attacks	Foxes destroyed	Feral cats destroyed
11	3800	56	9	0

The wild dog control program coordinated by the SBG, aims to keep a 20 kilometre buffer zone east of the State Barrier Fence (SBF), free from wild dogs. The contracted Licensed Pest Management Technician carries out trapping, shooting and baiting activities to limit wild dog numbers in the shire.

Wild dogs may enter onto the western side of the SBF, affecting livestock enterprises. They also present a real risk to human safety, with attacks on people reported in other parts of Australia during the past year.

If landholders suspect dog activity it is important to advise the group or the Licensed Pest Management Technician immediately. Wild dogs do not respect tenure boundaries such as fences, borders or land uses. Wild dog management strategies are most successful when people work together.



ESPERANCE EXTENSION

Southern Biosecurity Group facilitated the development of a funding application for the remaining funds for the Esperance Extension of the State Barrier Fence. This application was successful, and fence construction has commenced, with the first eight kilometres completed.



RABBIT CONTROL

Rabbits are serious environmental and economic pest, impacting more than 300 threatened species across Australia.

Notices about the rabbit virus and options for protecting pet rabbits were placed in several locations across the Shire. Copies of these notices are included in the attachments. RHDV-K5 is a species specific virus that only impacts rabbits, making it a better control option than many poisons which can have off target impacts,

In November 2018 we released the RHDV-K5 virus at 17 sites throughout the shire. It appears that the virus has been successful where it was released but has not spread far beyond the release sites. There are a few possible reasons for this, including the dry summer and reduced numbers of flies and mosquitos. A map showing the release sites can be found in the attachments to this report.

Coordination of the release of the K5 virus enhances the outcomes of a variety of rabbit control activities such as trapping, shooting and destroying of warrens. Broad-scale virus release is necessary to maximise the impact of the virus on the rabbit population

Further virus releases will take place in the 2019/20 financial year.

DROOPING PRICKLY PEAR

Thick infestations of the prickly pear can impede the growth and regeneration of native vegetation. It can also provide harbour for pests, such as rabbits and foxes.

Control of the drooping prickly pear (*Opuntia monacantha*) has been continuing in the Oldfield River corridor. This plant forms dense thickets and outcompetes native species. It also acts as a harbour for pest animals such as foxes, rabbits and fruit fly.

Southern Biosecurity Group were successful in receiving funding from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development's Coordinated Cactus Control Program and Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network (RAIN). This enabled the group to treat a total of 196 plants across 85 hectares. For some plants, cochineal, a biological control, was introduced, others were hand pulled or injected with chemical. Four hundred kilograms of cactus was removed by hand. A map showing the control area is included in the attachments.

Treatment type	Number of plants treated
Cochineal	52
Hand pulled	82
Injection	62



COMMUNITY FOX SHOOT

6 April 2019

Southern Biosecurity Group organised a community fox shoot on the 6th of April, followed by a community breakfast and count on the 7th of April. Nineteen people in four teams participated shooting 76 foxes, 19 rabbits and 2 feral cats. The winning team was the Verminators shooting 43 foxes, 9 rabbits, and 1 feral cat.

Thank you everyone who supported the event including Ravensthorpe Agencies, Hopetoun Clay Target Club and RAIN.

Planning is underway for another event in the 2019/21 financial year.



WEBSITE

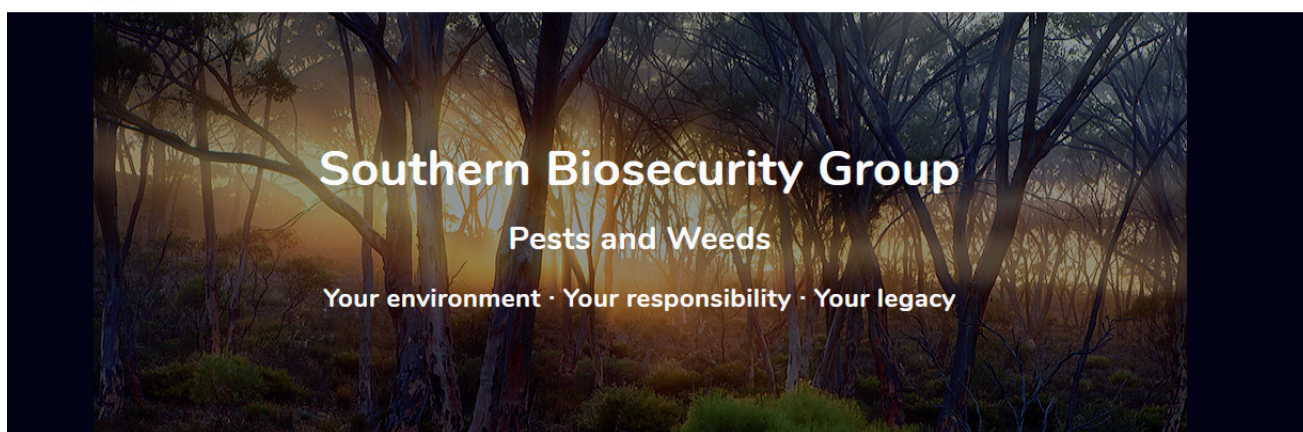
Southern Biosecurity Group launched a website in September 2018.

Funded through a grant from South Coast Natural Resource Management Inc the site was developed by Tide Marketing and can be found at www.southernbiosecuritygroup.org.au. It is intended over time that the site will act as an online hub of relevant biosecurity information. The site is updated regularly.

Over the past year, there were 272 visitors to the site viewing 1,157 pages and spending about 3 minutes on the site.



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Declared Pest Rates 2019-20

Agriculture and Food Minister Alannah MacTiernan has approved Declared Pest Rates for 2019-20. Rates were published in the WA Government Gazette and the Minister released a media statement date 9 July 2019. The State Government has allocated \$2.68 million to match the rates to be raised.

The gazette can be read [here](#) and the media release can be read [here](#).

Our Purpose

Manage the impact of declared pest species so that they have minimal impact on the agricultural industry, landscapes and biodiversity values within the Ravensthorpe Shire.



COMMUNITY SURVEY

A priority survey was carried out in November and December 2018.

In November/December 2018 a priority survey was developed to gain input from community on priorities for the 2019/20 Operational Plan. The survey was advertised in the Community Spirit on two occasions, with full page ads taken out to ensure the questions were all included. Advertising in the Community Spirit also included the Christmas edition.

Survey Monkey was also used to create a digital version of the survey. This was promoted through the SBG newsletter and SBG website (homepage). The survey opened in early November and officially closed at the end of December; however, the online collector wasn't closed until the 10th of January. Respondents had more than 6 weeks to respond.

A total of five responses were received. One response was a direct mail in of the Community Spirit article, the other four were digital responses. For the most part, priorities proposed align with committee's proposed priorities for 2019/20 and with the Biosecurity Management Strategy for the Ravensthorpe Shire. Activities for some of the species, especially those like bridal creeper, need to focus

on awareness and capacity building rather than direct on ground activity. Activities for Apple of Sodom, which was identified as a priority in the survey, were put together for the State NRM grant. These activities could be easily be adapted into a project for the 2019/20 year.

Further improvements for the survey have been identified. It is important that the survey is released earlier so that community priorities can be better factored into the planning process. In 2019/20 the survey will be released in July before development of the 2020/21 budget and Operational Plan. Other methods for promoting the survey will also be explored in 2019/20 to increase response rates.

An ongoing link on the group's website will enable the survey to be completed at any time.



NEWSLETTER

We launched a newsletter in late 2018. The purpose of the electronic newsletter is to provide an update on the group's activities. This can be signed up for through the SBG website. The newsletter is also sent out through the RAIN e-news to maximise its distribution.



ARTICLES

Various articles were published in the Community Spirit, the Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network e-news and the Southern Biosecurity Group newsletter.



EVENTS

Southern Biosecurity Group had displays at various events over the course of the year. This included the Paddy's Market Day in Hopetoun in January; Ravensthorpe Expo in the Park and the RAIN Crop Updates.

Southern Biosecurity Group had a display as part of the Country Carnival in Ravensthorpe in September 2018.

The SBG Executive Officer presented to the RAIN Crop Updates in March 2019 on the declared pest rate, group priorities and activities. A stand at the display also allowed

for presentation of a range of information on various topics. Approximately 40 people attended the day.

SBG had a stall as part of the inaugural Ravensthorpe Expo in the Park. This event was well attended despite the blustery conditions. It provided a good opportunity to engage with a variety of people, with over 200 attending. People were interested in the cactus control project and talking about rabbit sightings.





FUTURE DIRECTIONS

What's ahead for the 2019/20 year?

As Southern Biosecurity Group moves into its second year of a rate the areas of focus are:

- Continue to implement wild dog control activities
- Source additional funds to carry out future prickly pear control
- Continue to support the community fox shoot
- Continue with the annual landholder letter and survey
- Expand the distribution of the newsletter

With the listing of feral cats as a declared species, Southern Biosecurity Group is now able to work on controlling this species. Over the coming year, the group will work with other groups and experts to determine what activities are available that are economically feasible and do not impact on domestic cats.

Apple of Sodom will be a key weed for investigation in 2019/20. Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network have been contracted to carry out a mapping program to determine the extent of area that the weed covers. From this information, it will then be possible to determine the cost and feasibility of control.



ATTACHMENTS





AREA OF OPERATION



Legend

- Towns
- Roads
- Southern Biosecurity Group area

Google Satellite

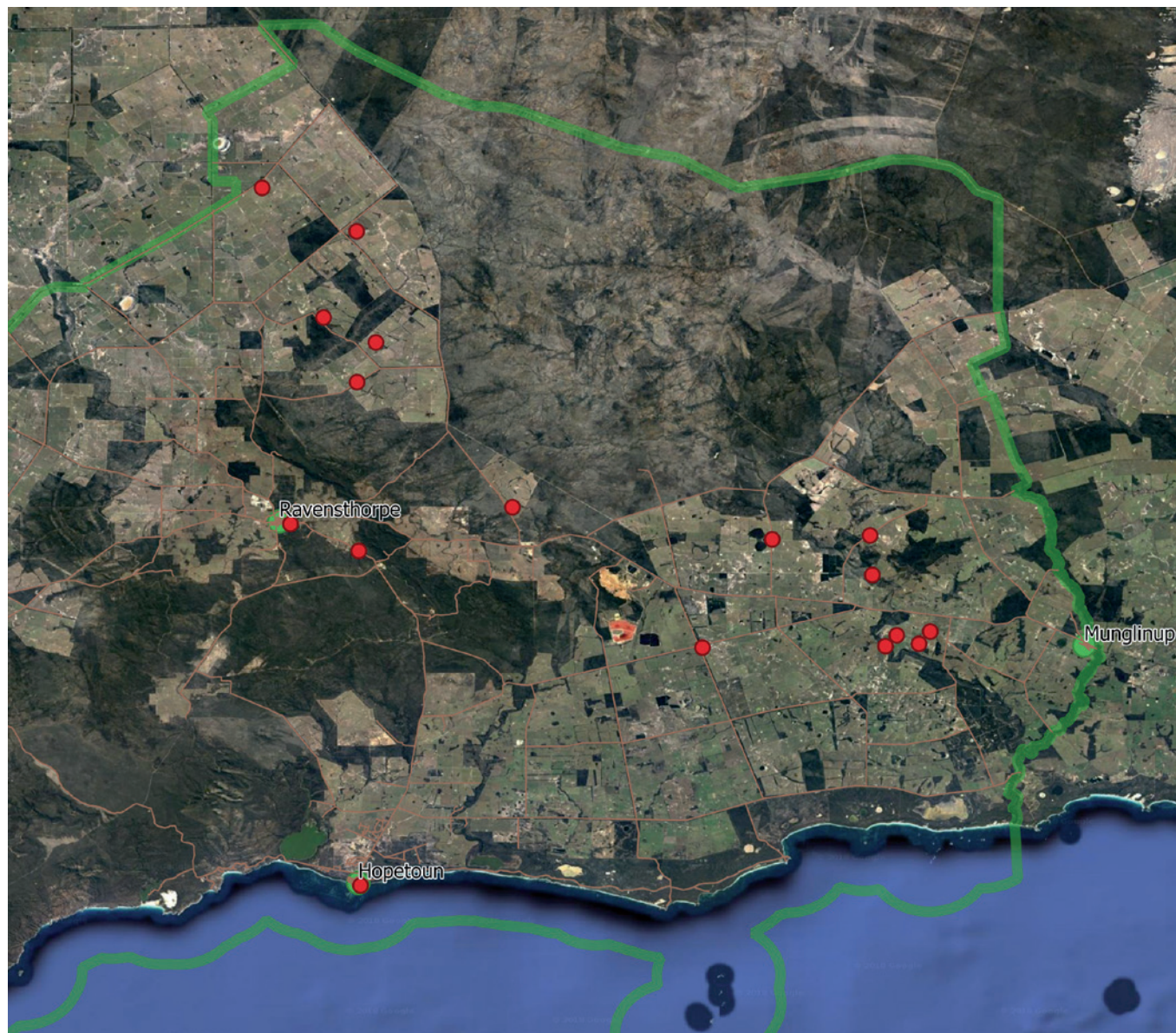
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RABBIT CONTROL

RELEASE SITES

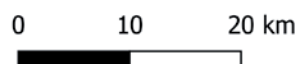


- 2018 November release sites
- Roads
- Towns
- ▬ Ravensthorpe Shire Boundary

Google satellite



Prepared by Southern Biosecurity Group
13 December 2018



RABBIT VIRUS RELEASE

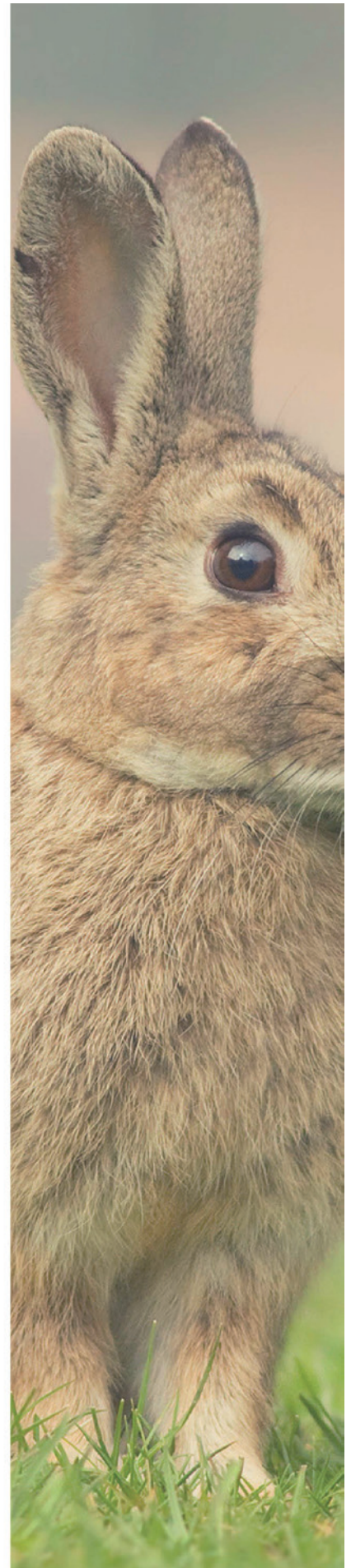
REPORT YOUR RABBIT HOTSPOTS NOW!

Wild rabbits cost more than \$200 million in lost agricultural production each year. They also wreak havoc on the environment.

Over the coming months, Southern Biosecurity Group will be releasing the RHDV in the Ravensthorpe area. You can help us with this by reporting your rabbit hotspots! Email sbg.execofficer@gmail.com and let us know! Alternatively, you can lodge your sightings in Feral Scan (www.feralscan.org.au).

Coordination of the release of the K5 virus will enhance the outcomes of a variety of rabbit control activities such as trapping, shooting and destroying of warrens. Broad-scale virus release is necessary to maximise the impact of the virus on the rabbit population

Landholders wishing to become authorised users will need to complete the online course available through Department Primary Industries and Regional Development. Link to register, <http://dafwa.moodle.com.au/externaluser/>





**TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT YOUR
PET NOW!**

HOW CAN I PROTECT MY PET RABBIT AGAINST RHDV?

The most effective action you can take to protect your pet rabbit is to ensure it is vaccinated with Cylap®. However, as the vaccine doesn't fully protect against all strains of RHDV, it is important you take additional measures to reduce the risk of infection.

The RSPA recommends the following to reduce the risk of RHDV:

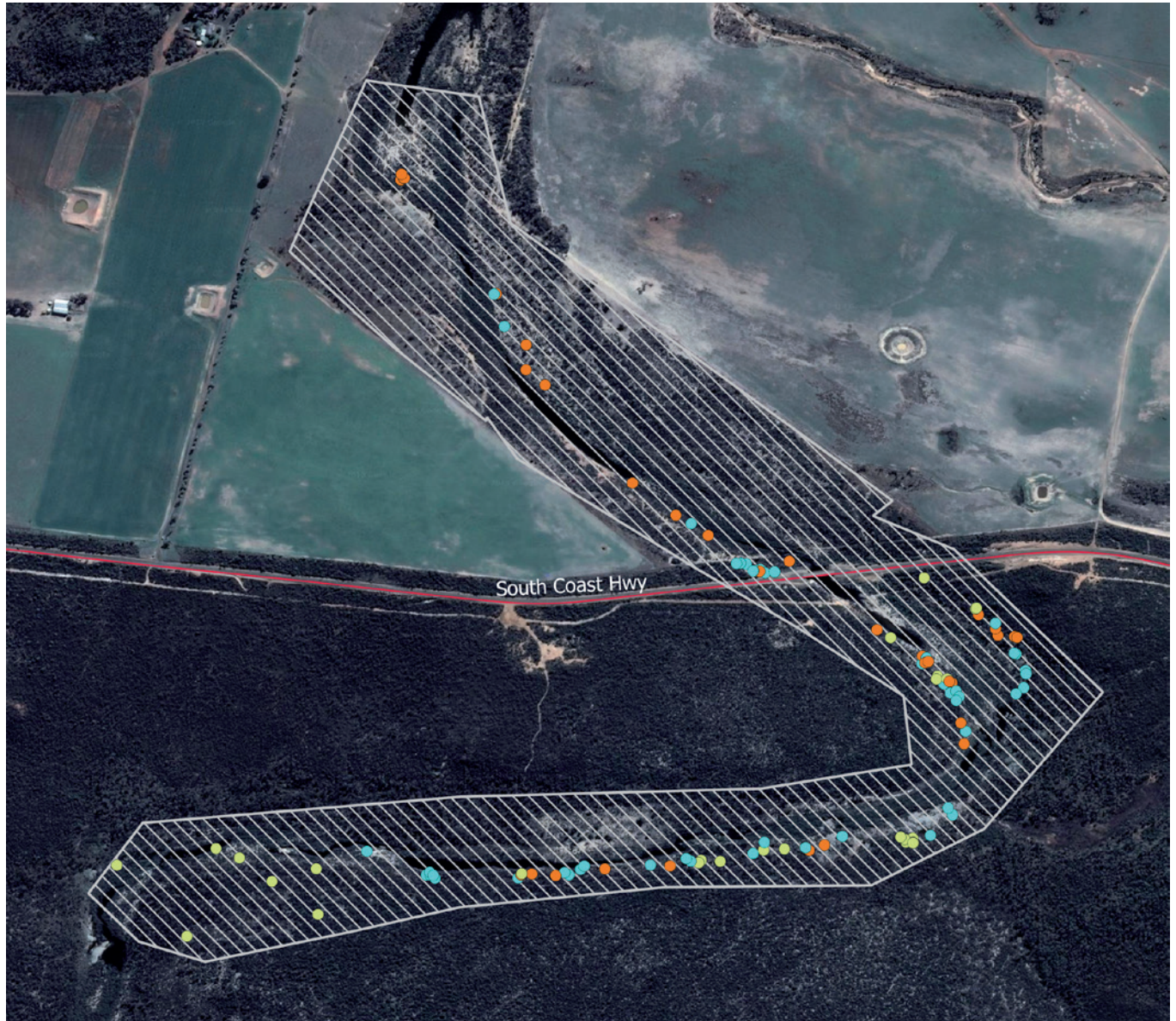
- Keep your pet rabbit indoors
- Rabbit-proof your backyard to prevent access by wild rabbits
- Regularly decontaminate equipment and materials including cages, hutches, bowls etc, with either 10% bleach or 10% sodium hydroxide
- Limit contact between and handling of unfamiliar pet rabbits
- Decontaminate hands, shoes and clothing after handling other than your own rabbits
- Control fleas
- Control insects (especially flies) as much as possible both indoors and outdoors
- Remove uneaten food on a daily basis.

Swans Vets do stock to the Cylap® vaccine. The Australian Veterinary Association recommends that rabbits be vaccinated every six months.



DROOPING PRICKLY PEAR

CONTROL AREA



O monacantha

● Large

● Medium

● Small

▨ area treated

● Towns

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Prepared by Southern Biosecurity
Group - 06 June 2019

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019



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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Southern Biosecurity Group for the financial year ended 30 June 2019.

Committee Members

The name of each member of the committee during the year and if different, at the date of the report;

Karyn Tuckett

Bevan Tuckett

Gemma Walker

Jennifer Chambers

Reece Laycock

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were:

Pest and invasive species management in the Ravensthorpe District.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The profit of the association after providing for income tax amounted to \$3,171.00.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

**SOUTHERN BIOSECURITY GROUP
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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Committee Member: _____
Karyn Tuckett

Committee Member: _____
Bevan Tuckett

Committee Member: _____
Gemma Walker

Committee Member: _____
Jennifer Chambers

Committee Member: _____
Reece Laycock

Dated this day of

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INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
INCOME			
Funding			
DAFWA Funding		-	14,800
DPIRD - Declared Pest Rate		145,877	-
Ravensthorpe Shire		-	15,000
AWI Funding		3,000	27,000
DBCA Funding		-	10,000
DPIRD Funding		62,686	147,590
		<u>211,563</u>	<u>214,390</u>
OTHER INCOME			
Interest Received		740	635
Executive Officer Funds		-	22,800
Miscellaneous Income		16,250	11,502
		<u>16,990</u>	<u>34,937</u>
		<u>228,553</u>	<u>249,327</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Administration Costs		20,167	6,271
Communications		6,262	4,133
Contract Dogger		60,335	84,700
Insurance		4,076	3,841
Office Expenditure		62,040	55,451
Staff Training & Welfare		-	358
Tool & Equipment		4,966	4,023
Trials		-	689
Project Cost			
Cactus Control		41,523	42,723
Wild Dog Control		4,006	8,009
Rabbit & Other Vermin Control		10,107	-
Apple of Sodom Control		11,900	-
		<u>67,536</u>	<u>50,732</u>
		<u>225,382</u>	<u>210,198</u>
Profit before income tax		<u>3,171</u>	<u>39,129</u>
Profit for the year		<u>3,171</u>	<u>39,129</u>
Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial year		155,832	116,703
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year		<u>159,003</u>	<u>155,832</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	160,945	155,378
GST Refund Due - Australian Taxation Office		-	454
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>160,945</u>	<u>155,832</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>160,945</u>	<u>155,832</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	4	1,942	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,942</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>1,942</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>159,003</u>	<u>155,832</u>
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Retained earnings	5	159,003	155,832
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		<u>159,003</u>	<u>155,832</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

The financial statements cover Southern Biosecurity Group as an individual entity. Southern Biosecurity Group is a not for profit Association incorporated in WA under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015.

The functional and presentation currency of Southern Biosecurity Group is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

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

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows, AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors and AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

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

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

Impairment of Non-Financial Assets

At the end of each reporting period the association determines whether there is an evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where this indicator exists and regardless for goodwill, indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss , except for goodwill.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is recognised when the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the association and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below, has been satisfied.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depending on whether the outcome of the services can be estimated reliably. If the outcome can be estimated reliably then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period. If the outcome cannot be reliably estimated then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

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Revenue from training services is generally recognised once the training has been delivered.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	2019 \$	2018 \$
3 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash at Bank	48	5,193
Cash at Bank - Reserve Account	160,897	150,185
	<u>160,945</u>	<u>155,378</u>
4 Accounts Payable and Other Payables		
Current		
GST Payable - Australian Taxation Office	<u>1,942</u>	<u>-</u>
5 Retained Earnings		
Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial year	155,832	116,703
Net profit attributable to the association	3,171	39,129
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year	<u>159,003</u>	<u>155,832</u>
6 Statutory Information		
The registered office of the association is:		
Lot 13 Morgans Street, Ravensthorpe WA 6346		
The principal place of business is:		
Lot 13 Morgans Street, Ravensthorpe WA 6346		

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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 2 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 8:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Southern Biosecurity Group as at 30 June 2019 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Southern Biosecurity Group 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:

Chairman: _____
Karyn Tuckett

Treasurer: _____
Jennifer Biddulph

Dated this day of

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHERN BIOSECURITY GROUP
ABN 65 484 162 896**

Scope

The Special Purpose Financial Report and Committee's Responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, profit and loss statement, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the statement by members of the committee for Southern Biosecurity Group (the association), for the year ended 30 June 2019.

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used and 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 Incorporations Act WA 2015 and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting requirements under the Associations Incorporations Act WA 2015. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Audit Approach

I conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the association. My audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgment, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

I performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies as described in Note 1, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position. These policies do not require the application of all Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, and described in Note 1, are appropriate for the needs of the members.

I formed my audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report, and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the committee.

While I considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, my audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

Independence

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHERN BIOSECURITY GROUP
ABN 65 484 162 896**

In conducting my audit, I followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report of Southern Biosecurity Group presents a true and fair view in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of Southern Biosecurity Group as at 30 June 2019 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Name of Firm: Heasman & Associates Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants

Name of Director: _____
Malcolm W Heasman

Address: Suite 4/98 Dempster Street Esperance WA 6450

Dated this 26th day of September 2019

SOUTHERN BIOSECURITY GROUP
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CERTIFICATE BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

I, Karyn Tuckett of PO Box 292, Ravensthorpe WA 6346, certify that:

- (a) I attended the annual general meeting of the association held on .
- (b) The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2019 were submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting.

Dated this **day of**

Committee Member: _____
Karyn Tuckett



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