

1999 ANPC Conference, Albury

Right: Field trip to Kosciuszko N.P.- Roger Good explains a long-running revegetation program to delegates.



Left: Heino Lepp with Fungimip volunteer Margery Smith during a Fungimip workshop.



Right: David Given (Vice President, ANPC) gives a workshop on flora monitoring.



Left: ANPC President Dr Kingsley Dixon presenting an ANPC Silver Sponsor Award to Frank Howarth (Director, RBG Sydney).



Left: L-R, Jeanette Mill, ANPC, David Given, ANPC Vice-President & Wendy Strahm, IUCN Plants Officer.

IUCN Species Survival Commission Plant Conservation Subcommittee. Back left: Craig Hilton-Taylor, IUCN Red List Officer, David Given, Chair of the Plant Conservation Subcommittee. Front left: Jeanette Mill, ANPC.

10 Years of the ANPC: A retrospective in pictures and words

National Coordinator's Report

Jeanette Mill, ANPC

In this, the 10th Anniversary issue of Danthonia, our President, Vice-President, and regional coordinators have provided their reflections on the past decade of the ANPC, and we at the National Office have put together a photographic retrospective.

My most memorable moments with the ANPC have been when I have met and worked with members on ANPC activities. Also, when I have been out spreading the word to groups from the local to the international level, and have received such warm and encouraging feedback about the work of the ANPC. I constantly receive positive comments about Danthonia, and also the ANPC's strength in drawing together such a wide range of stakeholders from community, industry and government.

I continue to be amazed at the amount of in-kind support that the network receives from such staunch supporters as the Australian National Botanic Gardens, the voluntary regional coordinators and their hosting organisations, conference and course hosts, presenters and committees, working groups which have produced the very important germplasm and translocation guidelines, Danthonia article authors, office and regional group volunteers, the Advisory Committee (now replaced by the ANPC Committee), and last but not least, the ANPC Committee. As the ANPC has only 1½ paid staff, the achievements of the network would not have been possible without this tremendous input from members.

Funding support is crucial to enable the ANPC to maintain a National Office and draw in the above expertise and energy, and the Endangered Species Program of Environment Australia has been a vital source of support, along with membership fees, donations and sponsorships.

I would like to also join with others in thanking the visionaries who established the ANPC. Mark Richardson, Geoff Butler, Lyn Meredith. Also Peter Wyse Jackson of Botanic Gardens Conservation International, and Don Falk, who was at the time with the Center for Plant Conservation in the US.

It is timely that in our 10th anniversary year a new regional group should be created. Members from the south coast of NSW, Paul Formosa and Roger Hart, are working together to establish ANPC regional networking in their area.

Thanks to support from the NSW Environment Protection Authority, this year will see an emphasis on the ANPC training program. The Training Committee is working on plans for a Conservation Techniques Course as an 8-10 day intensive course or modules, plus a series of Master Workshops and a training manual.

Keep on networking, because the whole really is greater than the sum of the parts.

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Right: Subtropical regional group learning about conservation initiatives of Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mount Coot-tha.



ANPC Conservation Techniques Courses

Right: Field trip to CSIRO Wildlife & Ecology (1995, Canberra). R: Dr Jill Landsberg demonstrating research into effects of watering points on ephemeral vegetation on rangelands.



Left: Learning survey techniques for *Allocasuarina dinosaurens* (1998, Tasmania).

L-R: Mark Richardson (Alice Springs Desert Park), Tony Chan from Hong Kong, Lisa Russell from NZ, and Ian Marmion (Bushcare facilitator).



Left and above: Smoke germination demonstrations at the 1998 ANPC Conservation Techniques Course in Tasmania.



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