



# SNAKES ALIVE

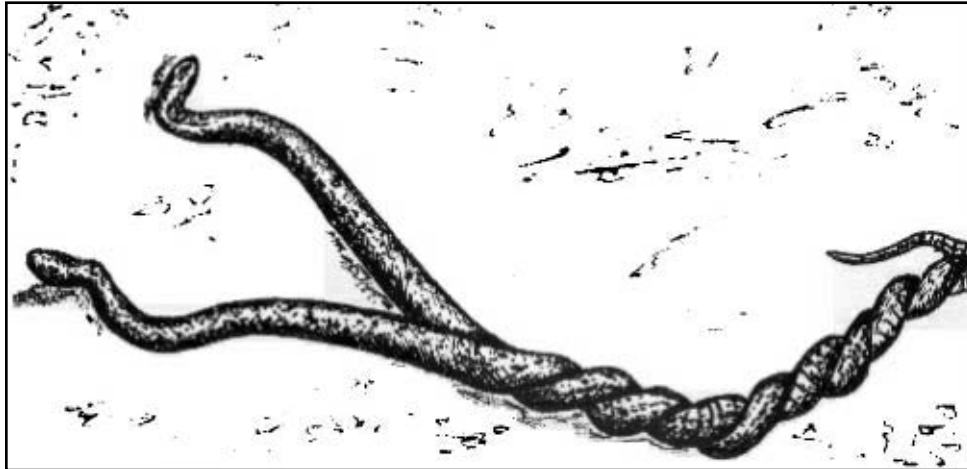
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The most common dangerous snake in South Western Australia is the dugite (also called spotted brown snake). This snake is so variable in colour and pattern that it is almost impossible to describe.

It can attain in

excess of two metres, although

more commonly is from 1 - 1.2 metres in length. It is alert and in the warmer weather is generally quick to get out of your way; however, it may get caught in a well, in netting, fall in the swimming pool and occasionally enters the house, or is carried in by the cat.



*Spring is in the air—two males in combat wrestle.*

*Artwork by Janet Traylen*

After mating, a dugite may produce several clutches of eggs without getting together with another male until next season. A reservoir of viable sperm is stored away and if there is sufficient food she will ovulate again immediately after depositing her eggs. If there is not

less dangerous, the bite from one of these can cause severe swelling and anxiety in adults; in children it can be serious. They are typically greenish or brownish with dark head and when disturbed they quickly attain a defensive stance.

*To be continued in March edition*

## Christmas Merchandise Order Form



Description	Please circle choice	Price	Qty	Post/Pack	Total	Payment Details: I wish to pay by:	
<b>Adult's T Shirt</b> 100% cotton, 100% Australian, round neck	<b>Colours:</b> Turquoise, Brown, and Beige <b>Sizes:</b> Sml, Med, Lge, XL, XXL	\$30.00		Aus \$5.50 O'seas \$11		<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque	<input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/> Visa
<b>Children's T Shirt</b> 100 % cotton, 100% Australian, round neck	<b>Colours:</b> Brown and Turquoise <b>Sizes:</b> 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14	\$20.00		Aus \$5.50 O'seas \$11		<input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard	<input type="checkbox"/> Bankcard
Nature Conservation Cards	Pack of 10 cards with envelopes	\$20.00		Aus \$3.00 O'seas \$10		Cheques and money orders are to be made payable to Malleefowl Preservation Group - Please do not enclose cash with your orders	
<b>Laminated Posters (5)</b> Colour posters by local wildlife photographer Greg Harold Size 420 x 600 mm	1) Pythons of WA Frogs in your Backyard in: 2) Perth Coastal Plain 3) Perth Region Dangerous Snakes of: 4) Central WA 5) Southern WA	\$10.00 each		Aus \$4.50 O'seas \$10		Credit Card No:	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
<b>Children's Books</b> Ages 3-7	"Mother and Father Malleefowl" "Malleefowl the Incubator Bird"	\$6.60 \$4.50		Aus\$5.50 O'seas \$11		Cardholders Name: (Print)	_____
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# COMING EVENTS

DATE	WHAT/WHERE	CONTACT
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	MPG Display—Dumbleyung Blue Bird Festival	Jane Smith <i>E-mail: dumdum@wn.com.au</i>
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Corridor Bird Monitoring —Malleefowl Corridor, North Ongerup	Geoff Burrow <i>Pb: 9864 1001</i>
11-16 <sup>th</sup> November	Fauna trapping—Corackerup & Peniup Reserves	Mal Grant, CALM <i>E-mail: malcolm@cal.wa.gov.au</i>
Month of Nov.	Malleefowl Magic Education Package —all regions	Susanne Dennings MPG Office
Mid-November	Fox Baiting— Corackerup Reserve	Ross Strahan <i>E-mail: strahan@wn.com.au</i>
26 <sup>th</sup> November	MPG Meeting, 8pm “Chook House”	MPG Office
End of December —early January	Seed picking for corridor revegetation—North Ongerup	Susanne Dennings MPG Office
28 <sup>th</sup> January	MPG Meeting, 8pm “Chook House”	MPG Office
Mid-February	Fox Baiting— Corackerup Reserve	Ross Strahan <i>E-mail: strahan@wn.com.au</i>
25 <sup>th</sup> February	MPG Meeting, 8pm “Chook House”	MPG Office

## FIRST for DOWERIN

Following a Malleefowl Magic Education week, the Malleefowl Preservation Group set up a display at the Dowerin Field Days in the Wesfarmers Landmark Pavilion.



*Woody's Wooing Welcome*

Volunteers on the MPG stand over the three days greeted a record crowd on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August giving a special welcome to school groups and individual students.

Thanks go to MPG members Beth and Robert Boase for their on-farm hospitality, Len Dudley and Buddy Kent for help with the display and Wesfarmers Landmark for providing the display area.

A special thanks must go to well known and respected ABC radio announcer, Grant Woodhams who paraded “Mal the Malleefowl” costume handing out “Guess the Mal the Malleefowl Celebrity” competition forms. The winner of the malleefowl t-shirt was Audrie Morgan from Manning.

## SPONSORS COUNT

*The success of Malleefowl Conservation relies on the hard work of many volunteers, the commitment of farmers and pastoralists and importantly the support of many in the Corporate world.*

*Together we make a great team.*

*A special thanks to the following:-*

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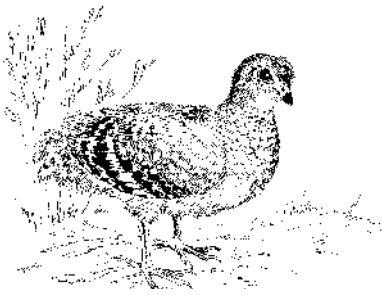
Portman Management Ltd

Tradewinds Hotel, Fremantle

### Freezer Found, Fridge Still Needed

Our last call for some cold storage at the MPG office has been answered in part—we are still looking for a staff fridge for the volunteer kitchen.

Any offers gratefully accepted



**Threatened Species Day**

Thanks to help from the Community Landcare Coordinator, Hayley Turner, and Pingrup teacher, Deb Badger, Pingrup and Nyabing Primary Schools celebrated Threatened Species Day on the 6th Sept with a special **Malleefowl Magic** touch from project coordinator, Susanne Dennings.

# CHICK CHAT



*Hayley Turner (left) and Susanne Dennings with Pingrup Primary School students*

## Mallee Muddle

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Can you find the names of 18 mallee animals, insects, reptiles and birds in this word sleuth?

Words may read horizontally, vertically or diagonally.

**Answers**

*ant, bee, cool, crow, eagle, frog, hawk, heron, kite, lizard, malleefowl, magpie, magpie, malleefowl, owl, parrot, robin, snake, toad, wren.*

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