

DUNG BEETLE ECOSYSTEM ENGINEERS PROJECT





















Australia's Dung Beetle History



1960's

CSIRO started first Dung beetle project



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Dung beetle species released have persisted

437

Known Native Dung Beetles Species







Beetle Database



Beetle Rearing



Beetle Distribution



Importation of new species/strains



Quantifying Economic Value



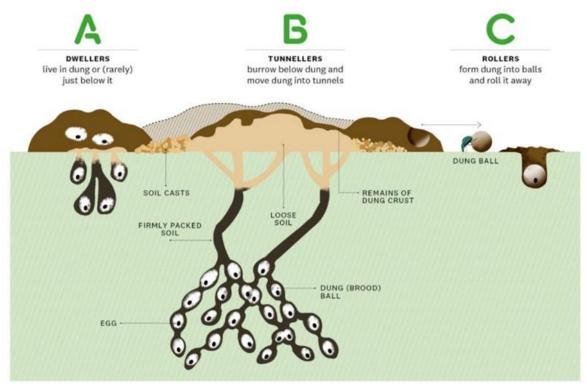
Community Education and Training

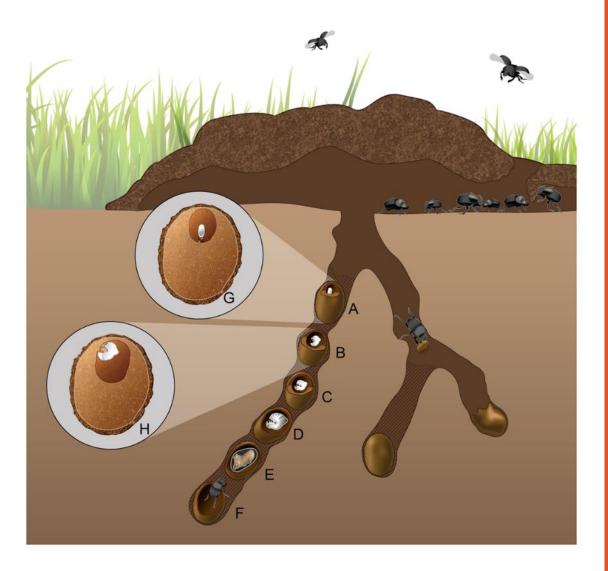
Projects Aims



Dung Beetles Life Cycle

The power of three: the main types of dung beetle workers







Benefits of Dung Beetles







Soil

- Aeration
- Infiltration
- Nutrients

Pasture

- Growth
- Reduction in Rank Pasture

Pest

- Reduces Bush Fly numbers
- Reduces livestock parasites number



Our Role



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



MONITORING















TRAPPING



DUNG BEETLES IN OUR AREA



Euoniticellus intermedius Euoniticellus 9 mm



pallipes

10 mm 12 mm



Onthophagus taurus



Bubas bison

19 mm





Onthophagus ferox 20 mm









Onitis alexis 20 mm

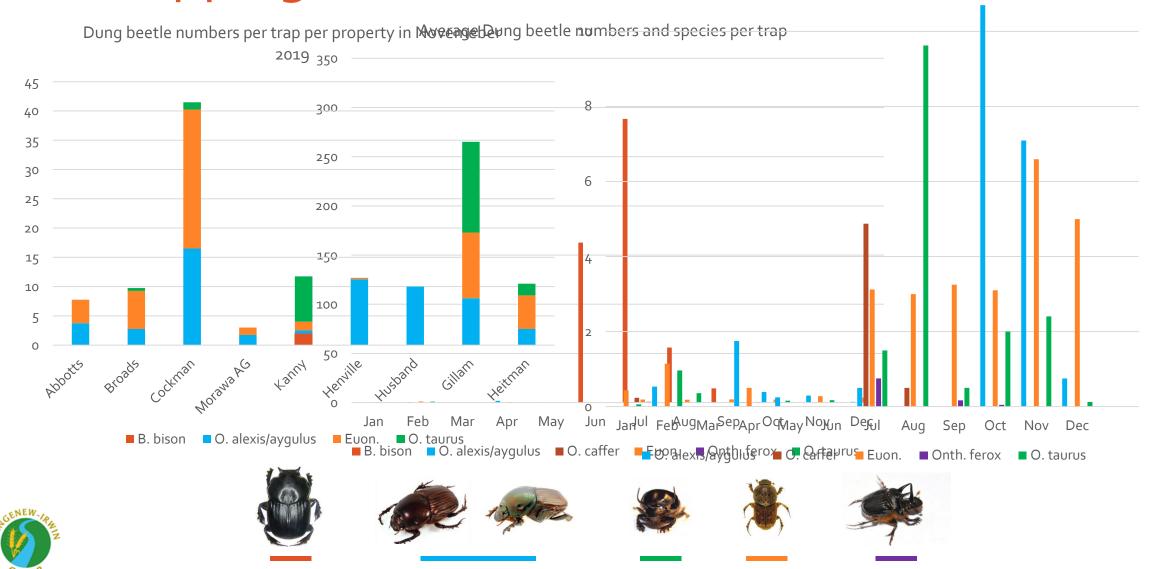
> Onitis aygulus 25 mm

Copris hispanus 26 mm



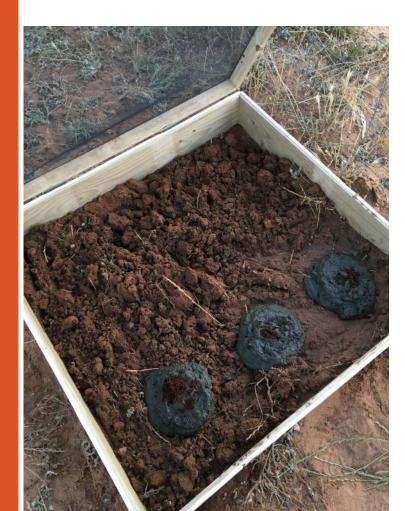
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Trapping Results



Breeding













Community Engagement









Continue Monthly trapping

Seasonal trapping

Breeding beetles

Community workshops

Involve School students

Future Plans

