## **CREATING & MANAGING TAXONOMY IN THE BDRS**

### Introduction

There are two main methods for creating and managing taxonomic structures and content in the Biological Data Recording System (BDRS)

The simplest is to **import** species pages from the Atlas of Living Australia (Atlas).

The more complex method is to **create** the structures and content by hand.

BDRS Taxonomy comes in two parts - the Taxonomic Group and the Taxonomy Page.

The **Taxonomic Page** is the BDRS equivalent of a **species profile** page in the Atlas and contains information about the particular species of interest including images, description, habitat, diet and so on – whatever you want to show to visitors to your site.

These profile pages can be developed for all levels of a taxonomic structure including subspecies, species, genus, subfamily, family etc to whatever level of detail you wish to go to and is appropriate for your audience and useful in surveys.

The **Taxonomic Group** is a flexible grouping classification tool. You can group things by anything you like:

- For example type lizards, snakes, skinks, waterfowl, birds of prey, etc; OR
- or within a family or kingdom: Waterfowl, Herons, Ibis etc, Birds of Prey, Shorebirds and Gulls, Pigeons and Doves, Cockatoos, Parrots and Lorikeets, Robins, Cuckoos, and so on; OR
- by habitat wetlands, dry forest etc.

Clicking on the taxonomic group opens the next level down which is usually a list of species – then Clicking on an individual species opens the selected species profile page.

You can group species at whatever level of detail you like, is appropriate for your audience and is useful in setting the context of more formal scientifically driven surveys (vs a casual "any species" sighting record with basic Darwin Core Fields).

Most BDRS sites have a field guide or species guide which shows this first level of grouping that provide users with the opportunity to browse your content within the grouping or association framework and which shape and guide their understanding of what your particular projects are all about.

#### This document:

Part 1 describes the processes for creating Taxonomy Groups.

Part 2 describes the processes for creating Taxon/Species pages.

Part 3 describes the processes for creating & updating taxonomy groups and species pages using the Atlas of Living Australia Import functionality.

#### Note:

You will need to be an administrator to perform the actions described in this document.

The menus may not look exactly like the images shown here as your site may be themed with different colours and/or text. The functionality will be the same however so look at the admin screens as they will not generally be themed.

## **PART 1: CREATING TAXONOMIC GROUPS**

The Taxonomic Group is a flexible grouping classification tool. You can group things by anything you like – for example type: lizards, snakes, skinks, waterfowl, birds of prey, etc

Most BDRS sites have a field guide or species guide which shows this first level of grouping.

Clicking on the taxonomic group opens the next level down which is usually a list of species – then Clicking on an individual species opens the selected species profile page.

#### Instructions for creating or editing a new Taxon Group:

- 1. Log in to your web site as usual.
- 2. Click on Admin from the navigation menu and Select Manage Portal, then Manage Taxonomy on the sub-menu

| Admin        | Site Help | Sign Out                   |
|--------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Personal Det | ails      |                            |
| Manage Peop  | ple       |                            |
| Manage Proj  | ects      |                            |
| Manage Data  | 1         |                            |
| Manage Port  | al        | Preferences                |
|              |           | Edit Theme                 |
|              |           | Edit Static Content HTML   |
|              |           | Manage Slideshow Galleries |
|              |           | Manage Taxonomy            |
|              |           | Species Pages              |
|              |           | Taxon Groups               |
|              |           | View Species Guide         |
|              |           | Manage Maps                |
|              |           | Manage Files               |

3. Select Search Taxonomic Groups from the list



Tip – you can also select Taxon Groups in the menu above to open directly

#### To Add a New Taxon Group:

4. Click the Add Taxon Group button

| Search Taxonomic Groups  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Taxon groups are an arbitrary grouping of taxa such as "My Favourite Birds" or "Endanger | ed Birdlife in South–West Australia". |
|  | Add Taxon Group                       |
| Thumbnail G  | Group Name                            |

5. Type a Name

Naming is important as it is how people distinguish between groups of objects – for example it is usually better to use common names rather than scientific names to improve the usability of the site.

In this example we have used "Threatened mammals"

**Note** that you can also add an Image and/or Thumbnail image for a species representative of your group which will be displayed on the field guide page.

We recommend you do this to add visual appeal to your web site and help people understand and differentiate between the species contained within your taxon groups.

Continuing with the Threatened Mammals example

| Edit Ta                             | xonomic Group   | 5  |   |  |  |                          |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--------------------------|
| This page allow<br>Group is selecte | s you to modify the attributes for a<br>d in a data entry form), as well as d | particular Taxonomic Grou<br>define the fields that appear | p. This allows you t<br>on a Species Page f | o specify Taxonomic<br>or a species in this Gr | Group Attributes (which appear v<br>oup. | vhen a species from this |
| Name                                | Threatened mammals  | ]  | Behavio                                     | ur Included 📃                                  |  |                          |
| Image                               | Choose File No file chosen  | Clear  | First Appearan                              | ce Included 📃                                  |  |                          |
| Thumbnail                           | Choose File No file chosen  | Clear  | Last Appearan                               | ce Included 📃                                  |  |                          |
|                                     | Recommended size 250 x 140 px   |  | Habit                                       | at Included 📃                                  |  |                          |
| you (                               | can also add  |  | Weath                                       | er Included                                    |  |                          |
| imag                                | jes here for the  |  | Numb  | er Included 📃                                  |  |                          |
| grou                                | р   |  |   |  |  |                          |
| Attributes                          | 1   |  |   |  |  |                          |
| Taxon Group A                       | ttributes are custom attributes for a   | sighting (record) that is pr                               | esented when a tax                          | on from this group is                          | selected.                                |                          |
|                                     |   |  |   |  | Enlarge Table                            | Add Another Field        |
| Desc                                | ription on the Form N   | ame in the Database  | Field Type                                  | Mandatory                                      | Options (separated by co                 | mma) Delete              |
| Identificat                         | ion   |  |   |  |  |                          |
| Identifications a                   | re customised attributes that are as  | sociated with each taxon fro                               | om this group. For e                        | xample a particular m                          | ay contain the identification "Cor       | servation Status".       |
|                                     |   |  |   |  | Enlarge Table                            | Add Another Field        |
| Desc                                | ription on the Form N   | ame in the Database  | Field Type                                  | Mandatory                                      | Options (separated by co                 | mma) Delete              |
|                                     |   |  |   |  |  | Save                     |

### 6. Click the Save button

| Taxon groups | Faxon groups are an arbitrary grouping of taxa such as "My Favourite Birds" or "Endangered Birdlife in South-West Australia". |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|              | Add Taxon Group   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thumbnail    | Group Name  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | Threatened Birds  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | Threatened Frogs  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | Threatened Mammals  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | Threatened Plants   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

7. Select View Species Guide (or field guide - site dependent) to see the results.



# **PART 2: CREATING TAXONOMIC PROFILES**

The **Taxonomic Page** is the BDRS equivalent of a **species profile** page in the Atlas and contains information about the particular species of interest including images, description, habitat, diet and so on – whatever you want to show to visitors to your site.

These profile pages can be developed for all levels of a taxonomic structure including subspecies, species, genus, subfamily, family etc to whatever level of detail you wish to go to and is appropriate for your audience and useful in surveys.

### Note:

You will need to have created at least one Taxonomy Group to perform this action as all species pages have to be assigned to a group.

### Instructions for creating or editing a new Taxon Profile/Species Page:

- 1. Log in to your web site as usual.
- 2. Click on Admin from the navigation menu and Select Manage Portal, then Manage Taxonomy on the sub-menu

| Admin Site Help S | Sign Out                   |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Personal Details  |                            |
| Manage People     |                            |
| Manage Projects   |                            |
| Manage Data       |                            |
| Manage Portal     | Preferences                |
|                   | Edit Theme                 |
|                   | Edit Static Content HTML   |
|                   | Manage Slideshow Galleries |
|                   | Manage Taxonomy            |
|                   | Species Pages              |
|                   | Taxon Groups               |
|                   | View Species Guide         |
|                   | Manage Maps                |
|                   | Manage Files               |

3. Select Search Taxonomy from the list



Tip – you can also select Species Pages in the menu (as shown above) to open directly if your site has this option.

### To Add a New Taxon/Species Page:

4. Click the Add Taxon button

| Search Taxonomy  |
|--|
| nter the name of a taxon below to view the properties of the taxon, or click on "Add Taxon" to create a new taxonomic entry.             |
| Taxon Name:  |
| Edit Taxon Add Taxon   |
| To import a species or group of species from the ALA, enter a single Isid or list of Isids, separated by commas, in the text area below. |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
| Import Taxon   |

5. The following image shows the edit options for K2C Reptiles including the default fields established for this site as well as the Atlas species page importing functionality described in detail in Part 3.

|   |                                      | Scientific Name  | e Litoria p                           | hyliochroa  |                         |  |             |   |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|-------------|---|
|   |                                      | Common Name  | e Leaf-gr                             | een Tree Frog   | field                   | naatory<br>Is  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Rank   | Species                               | :   | ner                     |  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Paren  | t Litoria                             |   | _                       |  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Group  | P Frogs                               |   |                         |  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Autho  | r                                     |   |                         |  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Yea  | r                                     |   |                         |  |             |   |
|   |                                      | Guid   | d [                                   | )   |                         |  |             |   |
| con Profile   | des additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon s<br>ted using a templa   | uch as distin<br>ite                  | ictive markings, identifyi  | ing characte            | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA            | y.<br>Add I | Profile                                       |
| con Profile<br>accon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type  | des additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon s<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name  | uch as distin<br>ate                  | uctive markings, identifyi<br>Title   | ing characte<br>Retriev | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | y.          | Profile<br>Dele                               |
| ton Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text   | des additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon so<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnail Small  | uch as distin<br>ate                  | ctive markings, identify<br>Title<br>Thumbnail Small  | ing characte            | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | y.<br>Add I | Profile<br>Dele                               |
| xon Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text<br>Image                                | des additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon so<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnall Small<br>MAGE  | uch as distin<br>ate                  | ctive markings, identify<br>Title<br>(Thumbnail Small<br>(Image Full Size   | Retriev                 | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | y.          | Profile<br>Dele                               |
| con Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text<br>Image<br>Text                        | des additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon si<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnail Small<br>MAGE<br>DESCRIPTION_BEHAN   | uch as distin<br>ate                  | ctive markings, identify<br>Title<br>Thumbnail Small<br>Image Full Size<br>Description & Beha                               | Retriev                 | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | Ny.         | Profile<br>Dele<br>X                          |
| ton Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text<br>Image<br>Text<br>Text                | les additional da<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon so<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnail Smail<br>MAGE<br>DESCRIPTION_BEHAN<br>DISTINGUISHING_FEA   | uch as distin<br>ite                  | ctive markings, identify<br>Title<br>Thumbnail Small<br>Image Full Size<br>Description & Behar<br>Distinguishing Featu      | Retrieve                | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | y.          | Profile<br>Dela<br>X                          |
| xon Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text                 | es additional de<br>ult fields crea  | ata about this taxon so<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnall Small<br>MAGE<br>DESCRIPTION_BEHAV<br>DISTINGUISHING_FEA<br>DISTRIBUTION_HABIT   | uch es distin<br>ete<br>NOUR<br>ITURE | tritle<br>Tritle<br>Thumbnail Small<br>Image Full Size<br>Description & Behar<br>Distribution & Habite                      | Retriev<br>Retriev      | ristics, habitat and biolog<br>e Profile from ALA<br>Content | y.          | Profile<br>Dele<br>X                          |
| ton Profile<br>axon profile provid<br>defau<br>Type<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text<br>Text | les additional de<br>ult fields crea | ata about this taxon so<br>ted using a templa<br>Database Name<br>Thumbnail Small<br>MAGE<br>DESCRIPTION_BEHAV<br>DISTINGUISHING_FEA<br>DISTINGUISHING_FEA<br>DISTRIBUTION_HABIT<br>OTHER_INFORMATIO | uch as distin<br>ite<br>              | Title Title Thumbnail Small Image Full Size Description & Beha Distinguishing Featu Distribution & Habite Other Information | Retrievent              | ristics, habitat and biolog e Profile from ALA Content       | y.<br>Add 1 | Profile<br>Dele<br>X<br>X<br>X<br>X<br>X<br>X |

6. Note that the Scientific, Common and Group name fields are mandatory

### 7. Add your content

- a. The fields are limited in size while in edit mode as shown but can contain as much text as you like.
- b. We recommend you develop detailed text separately and paste into the appropriate fields
- c. The text supports HTML mark up such as <strong>this text will be shown bolded</strong>
- d. We also recommend that you **add at least one image** that can be displayed both in the species page and in the taxon group species list.

- e. Images need to be added first to the Managed Files list so you can reference the unique Identifier e.g. 02df8c72-ae25-4171-b5ad-401c793e11f4 which will be used to display the image
- f. The table row containing the image needs to be dragged up to the top of the table in order to display in the taxon group species list: this is more important when you have multiple images.

| The ta | he taxon profile provides additional data about this taxon such as distinctive markings, identifying characteristics, habitat and biology. |                                       |                         |                          |             |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
|        | drag fie<br>top of th  | ld guide taxon group imag<br>ne table | e to Enlarge Table Re   | etrieve Profile from ALA | Add Profile |  |  |  |  |
|        | Туре   | Database Name                         | Title                   | Content                  | Delete      |  |  |  |  |
|        | Thumbnail Small 👻  | Thumbnail Small                       | Thumbnail Small         | ca4e5b48-b627-495e-aa    | ×           |  |  |  |  |
|        | Image 👻  | IMAGE                                 | Image Full Size         | ice-8e8c-b0e457be5cc2    | ×           |  |  |  |  |
|        | Text 👻   | DESCRIPTION_BEHAVIO                   | Description & Behaviour | Lives underground. Grow  | ×           |  |  |  |  |
|        | Text 👻   | DISTINGUISHING_FEAT                   | Distinguishing Features |                          | ×           |  |  |  |  |
|        | Text 👻   | DISTRIBUTION_HABITA                   | Distribution & Habitat  |                          | ×           |  |  |  |  |
|        | Text 👻   |                                       | Other Information       |                          | ×           |  |  |  |  |

g. More complete details on how to create and manage field content and options are provided in a separate document.

## TIP

Browsers **are** notoriously reluctant to release cached page data so you may have to clear your history in order to see the changes you have made. This is especially so with images

8. Click the Save button to complete the species profile.

| Blackish Blind Snake | Ramphotyphyops nigresc        | ens                     |                                      |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Rank:                | Species                       |                         |                                      |
| Group:               | Snakes                        |                         |                                      |
| Parent:              | Ramphotyphyops Ramphotyphyops |                         |                                      |
| Update:              | 13 Sep 2011                   |                         |                                      |
|                      |                               |                         |                                      |
| Taxon Profile        |                               |                         |                                      |
|                      |                               |                         |                                      |
| Туре                 | Database Name                 | Title                   | Content                              |
| thumb_small          | Thumbnail Small               | Thumbnail Small         | ca4e5b46-b627-495e-aa0d-16e004749899 |
| text                 | DISTRIBUTION_HABITAT          | Distribution & Habitat  |                                      |
| text                 | OTHER_INFORMATION             | Other Information       |                                      |
| profile_img          | IMAGE                         | Image Full Size         |                                      |
| text                 | DESCRIPTION_BEHAVIOUR         | Description & Behaviour | Lives underground. Grows to 75cm     |
| text                 | DISTINGUISHING_FEATURES       | Distinguishing Features |                                      |
|                      |                               |                         | Edit Taxon Add Taxon                 |

9. Select View Species Guide (or field guide - site dependent) and then the appropriate Taxonomy Group to see the results.

| Snakes                                 |                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 16 items found, displaying all items.1 |                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scientific Name                        | Common Name                | Thumbnail  |  |  |  |  |
| Vermicella annulata                    | Bandy Bandy Snake          | and the second s |  |  |  |  |
| Ramphotyphyops nigrescens              | Blackish Blind Snake       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Morelia spilota                        | Carpet or Diamond Python   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Acanthophis antarcticus                | Common Death Adder         | E CARA   |  |  |  |  |
| Suta spectabilis                       | Dwyer's black-headed Snake | R  |  |  |  |  |
| Pseudonaja textilis                    | Eastern Brown Snake        |  |  |  |  |  |

## **Note for Administrators:**

Default fields such as those shown here are established using a ".json" template file which is added to managed files and then connected to the profiles.

This is important to understand as, without a set of standard fields, each species page you create will require the manual addition of every field required with the <u>same name and data</u> <u>type</u> if further formatting is to be applied.

By using the template you can substantially reduce the species profile creation workload and reduce errors.

See appendixes for more details

# PART 3: IMPORTING ALA CONTENT TO POPULATE THE BDRS

BDRS taxon groups and species pages can be created and updated quickly by populating them with Atlas of Living Australia data (where it available for that species).

This new functionality addresses one of the most difficult, complex and time consuming processes in setting up a new BDRS site.

This piece of the document is broken down into 3 sections – the first describes how you can update your existing pages with Atlas data, the second shows how you can use the import functionality to create new species profiles singly and in bulk, and the third explains how your own data and that form the Atlas are formatted in the Species Profile page.

## SECTION 1: IMPORTING DETAILS INTO AN EXISTING SPECIES PAGE

### Instructions for updating a Taxon Profile/Species Page:

- 1. Log in to your web site as usual.
- 2. Click on Admin from the navigation menu and Select Manage Portal, then Manage Taxonomy on the sub-menu

| Admin Site Help  | Sign Out                   |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| Personal Details |                            |
| Manage People    |                            |
| Manage Projects  |                            |
| Manage Data      |                            |
| Manage Portal    | Preferences                |
|                  | Edit Theme                 |
|                  | Edit Static Content HTML   |
|                  | Manage Slideshow Galleries |
|                  | Manage Taxonomy            |
|                  | Species Pages              |
|                  | Taxon Groups               |
|                  | View Species Guide         |
|                  | Manage Maps                |
|                  | Manage Files               |

3. Select Search Taxonomy from the list



Tip – you can also select Species Pages in the menu (as shown above) to open directly if your site has this option.

4. Type the name of the species you wish to edit/update in the Taxon Name: field

| Home             | Add a Sighting           | View                 | K2C and ACTHA                 | Admin            | Sign Out           |       |           |  |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|-----------|--|
|                  |                          |                      |                               |                  |                    |       |           |  |
| Search -         | Favonomy                 |                      |                               |                  |                    |       |           |  |
| Search           | Search faxonomy          |                      |                               |                  |                    |       |           |  |
| Enter the name o | f a taxon below to view  | the properties of    | the taxon, or click on "Add " | íaxon" to create | a new taxonomic er | ntry. |           |  |
| -                |                          |                      |                               |                  |                    |       |           |  |
| Taxon<br>Name:   | gre                      |                      | an Dell Cree                  |                  |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Litoria aurea Gi         | een and Gold         | ien Beil Frog                 |                  |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Litoria phylloch         | <b>roa</b> Leaf-gree | en Tree Frog                  |                  |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Menetia greyii           | Common Dwa           | rf Skink                      |                  | Edit               | Taxon | Add Taxon |  |
|                  | Ramphotyphyo             | ps nigrescen         | s Blackish Blind Snak         | e                |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Litoria nudidigi         | ta Leaf-green        | River Tree Frog               |                  |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Rhinoplocephal           | us nigrescen         | s Small-eyed Snake            |                  |                    |       |           |  |
|                  | Cryptophis nigr          | escens Easte         | ern Small-eyed Snake          |                  |                    |       |           |  |
| :                | start typing common or s | cientific name into  | the autocoplete field as sh   | own              |                    |       |           |  |

Species matching your in scientific or common name text in some way (including whole or part word matches) are displayed as list for your selection as shown.

The field uses auto-complete to list every profile matching the letters you type from about the 3<sup>rd</sup> onwards.

5. Select the species you wish to edit then click on the **Edit Taxon** button (which changes colour to show you it is active)

| Search Taxonom                     | Search Taxonomy  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Enter the name of a taxon below t  | o view the properties of the taxon, or click on "Add Taxon" to create a new taxonomic entry. |  |  |  |  |
| Taxon Name: Litoria phyllochro     | Da   |  |  |  |  |
| Leaf-green Tree Frog               | Litoria phyllochroa  |  |  |  |  |
| Rank:                              | Species  |  |  |  |  |
| Group:                             | Frogs  |  |  |  |  |
| Parent:                            | Tree Frogs Litoria   |  |  |  |  |
| Update:                            | 08 Sep 2011  |  |  |  |  |
| To import a species or group of sp | Edit Taxon Add Taxon   |  |  |  |  |
| Cimport short profile(s) only      | Import Taxon   |  |  |  |  |

Where there is already information on the species it will be shown in the area between Update (last updated field) and the Edit Taxon button.

*Note* the large text box at the foot of the page – you can use this for importing single and multiple species pages from the Atlas directly: described in more detail in section 2 below.

6. This image shows the edit options for K2C Reptiles including the default fields established for this site as well as the Atlas species page importing functionality.

| Edit Taxonom  | у  |                      |          |         |  |        |
|---|--|----------------------|----------|---------|--|--------|
| This page allows you to edit th<br>your Portal. You can also view   | his page allows you to edit the entry for this particular taxon. You can add a Taxon Profile to the species, so that it becomes visible in the Field Guide for<br>our Portal. You can also view the Taxonomic Group attributes, which can be changed here. |                      |          |         |  |        |
|   | Scientific Name  | Litoria phyllochroa  | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Common Name  |                      | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Rank   |                      |          |         |  |        |
|   | Parent   | Litoria              | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Group  | Frogs                | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Author   |                      | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Year   |                      | )        |         |  |        |
|   | Guid   |                      | )        |         |  |        |
| Taxon Profile The taxon profile provides add default fiel   | Caxon Profile         the taxon profile provides additional data about this taxon such as distinctive markings, identifying characteristics, habitat and biology.         default fields created using a template         Retrieve Profile from ALA        |                      |          |         |  |        |
| Туре  | Database Name  | Title                |          | Content |  | Delete |
| Text 💌  | Thumbnail Small  | Thumbnail Smal       |          |         |  | ×      |
| Image 💌   | IMAGE  | Image Full Size      |          |         |  | ×      |
| Text 💌  | DESCRIPTION_BEHAVIO  | DUR Description & B  | ehaviour |         |  | ×      |
| Text 💌  |  | URB Distinguishing F | eatures  |         |  | ×      |
| Text 💌  | DISTRIBUTION_HABITA  | T Distribution & H   | abitat   |         |  | ×      |
| Text 💌  |  | Other Information    | n        |         |  | ×      |
| Group Attributes ignore these aroup attributes are the custom attributes of this taxon as specified by this taxon group. Save |  |                      |          |         |  |        |

7. In order to import the data you will need to **add the Guid** (second field highlighted in red in the diagram above)

#### Instructions for getting a GUID or LSID from the Atlas of Living Australia:

- a. Copy the scientific Name to clipboard
- b. Open the Atlas of Living Australia <u>www.ala.org.au</u> in a new browser window or tab and paste the name into the Search field at the top of the page

|          | Home    | Explore    | Tools | Share | Support | Contact Us | About the Atlas |  |
|----------|---------|------------|-------|-------|---------|------------|-----------------|--|
| nowledge | Litoria | phylloci   | nroa  |       |         |            | Q               |  |
|          | Litoria | n Phyllocl | iroa  |       |         |            |                 |  |

c. Select the correct option from the list and click the search icon



d. Click to open the correct species (there may be a list including sub-species, genus and other search results containing the species name you entered)

| Home : Explore : <i>Litoria phyllochroa</i> (Günther, 1863) : Leaf Green Tree Frog  |   |
|---|---|
| Litoria phyllochroa (Günther, 1863) Rank<br>Leaf Green Tree Frog Data links         | Species<br>Australian Faunal Directory &<br>LSID JSON |
| Animalia :Chordata :Amphibia :Anura : Hylidae : <i>Litoria :Litoria phyllochroa</i> | click here for LSID                                   |
| Overview Gallery Names Classification Records                                       | -   |

e. Click on the LSID data link as shown

| 24  |   |
|-----|---|
|     | Life Science Identifier (LSID):   |
|     | urn:Isid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:25b355c6-70de-4703-98f5-3db6efb73c9b                                       |
|     | LSIDs are persistent, location-independent,resource identifiers for uniquely naming biologically significant      |
|     | resources including species names, concepts, occurrences, genes or proteins, or data objects that encode          |
| _   | information about them. To put it simply, LSIDs are a way to identify and locate pieces of biological information |
|     | on the web.   |
| ~   | copy the LSID to clipboard  |
| 1   | 2153+   |
| TIP |   |
|     | Do not right mouse click the LSID and select 'copy link location' or similar browser specific command.            |

It is better to drag the mouse over the link (select) and copy to clipboard Done correctly the LSID will look like this urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:25b355c6-70de-4703-98f5-3db6efb73c9b

Done incorrectly it will look like this and will not work in the BDRS <u>http://lsid.tdwg.org/summary/urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:25b355c6-70de-4703-98f5-3db6efb73c9b</u>

2. Switch back to the BDRS Species page tab/window and paste the LSID into the GUID field

- 3. Then click the **Retrieve Profile from ALA** button.
  - a. Click OK in the popup window to complete the import.

|               |                      | Citoria (Citoria             | )<br>        |                        | _             |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|---------------|
|               | Are you sure? I      | Existing entries imported f  | rom ALA      | will be replaced!      |               |
|               |                      |                              | ок           | Cancel                 |               |
| additional da | ata about this taxon | such as distinctive marking: | s, identifyi | ng characteristics, ha | bitat and bic |
|               |                      | Enlarge T                    | able         | Retrieve Profile from  | m ALA         |

**Note** – if you have previously imported content **from the Atlas** this process will overwrite it.

4. Once the import process has completed you will see a long list of new data fields as well as new data in existing fields.

| Edit Taxonomy  |   |                                   |  |           |  |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|--|
| This page allows you to edit the entry for this particular taxon. You can add a Taxon Profile to the species, so that it becomes visible in the Field Guide<br>for your Portal. You can also view the Taxonomic Group attributes, which can be changed here. |   |                                   |  |           |  |
|  | Scientific Name   | Litoria phyllochroa               |  |           |  |
|  | Common Name   | Leaf-green Tree Frog              |  |           |  |
|  | Rank  | Species 💌                         |  |           |  |
|  | Parent  | Litoria                           | Note additonal information has<br>been added |           |  |
|  | Group   | Frogs                             | Note that the taxonomy group                 |           |  |
|  | Author  | Günther                           | has been preserved                           |           |  |
|  | Year  | 1863                              |  |           |  |
| Taxon Profile  | Guid 🗌  | urn:Isid:biodiversity.org.a       |  |           |  |
| The taxon profile provides additiona   | al data about this taxon su   | uch as distinctive markings, iden | ifying characteristics, habitat and biology. |           |  |
|  |   | Enlarge Table                     | Retrieve Profile from ALA Ado                | I Profile |  |
| Туре   | Database Name   | e Title                           | Content                                      | Delete    |  |
| Common Name 💌  | ALA Common Nam  | Common Name                       | Leaf Green Tree Frog                         | ×         |  |
| Common Name 🛛 🔽  | ALA Common Nam  | ne Common Name                    | Green Stream Frog                            | ×         |  |
| Common Name 💌  | ALA Common Nam  | ne Common Name                    | Leaf Green River Tree Fr                     | ×         |  |
| Common Name 💌  | ALA Common Nam  | Common Name                       | Leaf Green Tree Frog                         | ×         |  |
| long table of imported /   | long table of imported Atlas data - each field has ALA in its database name |                                   |  |           |  |

Note: This image is truncated as the list can be quite long

Check that everything looks OK – is the species in the right taxonomy group? Has the original data manually loaded into non-ALA import fields been preserved?

5. Click the Save Button at the foot of the page and you are returned to where you started!

| Home Add a Sighting                        | View K2C and ACTHA                           | Admin Sign Out                                 |              |
|--|--|--|--------------|
|  | Litoria phyllochroa savec                    | t successfully.                                |              |
| Search Taxonomy                            |  |  |              |
| Enter the name of a taxon below to view th | e properties of the taxon, or click on "A    | dd Taxon" to create a new taxonomic entry.     |              |
| Taxon Name:                                | )  |  |              |
|  |  | Edit Taxon                                     | Add Taxon    |
| To import a species or group of species fr | om the ALA, enter a single Isid or list of I | lsids, separated by commas, in the text area b | elow.        |
|  |  |  |              |
|  | .:   |  |              |
| ✓]mport short profile(s) only              |  | (  | Import Taxon |

- 6. With a success message shown in green
- 7. Repeat as necessary to complete your import requirements.

See section 3 below to learn about species profile formatting and answer the question:

What will my newly added species data look like to users?

## **SECTION 2: IMPORTING MULTIPLE SPECIES PAGES**

#### Assumptions

There is a current Taxonomy Grouping Structure you wish to maintain.

There may be existing BDRS species pages you wish to update – optional (i.e. not required as you can create new ones as needed).

You have access to the Atlas of Living Australia LSID of the species of interest.

## **TIME SAVING TIP**

Where you have an existing set of taxon groups and species pages go to the list of species:

- 1. Select View Species Guide from the View menu
- 2. Click the taxon group of interest e.g. Lizard Skinks



3. Select the three columns of the species list table and copy to clipboard

| Lizard - Skinks                   | 5   |           |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------|
| 36 items found, displaying all it | tems.1  |           |
| Scientific Name                   | Common Name   | Thumbnail |
| Ctenotus taeniolatus              | Copper-tailed Skink   | I         |
| Ctenotus robustus                 | Robust Ctenotus   | 1         |
| Egernia cunninghami               | Cunningham's Skink  | 1         |
| Egernia saxatilis                 | Black Rock Skink  | 1         |
| Egernia whitii                    | White's Skink, Centralian Ranges Rock-Skink                         | 1         |
| E. monatana                       | Tan Back Rock-skink   | I         |
| Eulamprus heatwolei               | Yellow-bellied Water-skink  | I         |
| Eulamprus kostiuskoj              | Alpine Water Skink  | I         |
| Eulamprus tympanum                | Highland Water Skink, Southern Water Skink                          | 1         |
| Eulamprus guoyii                  | Eastern Water-skink   | 1         |
| Hemiergis decresiensis            | Three-toed Earless-skink  | 1         |
| Lampropholis delicata             | Garden Sun-skink, Dark-flecked Garden Sunskink                      |           |
| Lamoropholis quicheopti           | Grass Sun Skink, Guichenots Sun-skink, Pale-flecked Garden Sunskink |           |

- 4. Paste into a Word document or Excel table (special paste as text to preserve columns)
- 5. Follow the instructions above on collecting the LSID for each of the selected species and paste them into the third column
- 6. This image shows a collection in Excel

| C10 - 🕤                  | C10 🔸 🕼 um:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:6c2cd260-c072-4952-a708-97e2f4acc913 |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| A                        | В  | С  |  |  |  |
| l Ctenotus taeniolatus   | Copper-tailed Skink  | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:26152e1b-092d-47ee-9920-0c562ba9c0fa    |  |  |  |
| 2 Ctenotus robustus      | Robust Ctenotus  | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:5ccc19f4-ae4c-4d17-b1b1-7cb170259c46    |  |  |  |
| B Egernia cunninghami    | Cunningham's Skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:f5476626-426b-4568-bfb6-f2c3796d26a7    |  |  |  |
| Egernia saxatilis        | Black Rock Skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:ae448bba-eb6f-4063-906f-b8aa70ff9bcc    |  |  |  |
| 5 Egernia whitii         | White's Skink, Centralian Ranges Rock-Skink  | urn:lsid:catalogueoflife.org:taxon:e9fc1200-29c1-102b-9a4a-00304854f820:ac2010 |  |  |  |
| 5 E. monatana            | Tan Back Rock-skink  | not in the Atlas   |  |  |  |
| 7 Eulamprus heatwolei    | Yellow-bellied Water-skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:779e998e-b9a7-4296-ad7b-24d97d1a050c    |  |  |  |
| 8 Eulamprus kosciuskoi   | Alpine Water Skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:731a4aa6-ee9e-4a55-b9c7-0e51469f984a    |  |  |  |
| Eulamprus tympanum       | Highland Water Skink, Southern Water Skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:4c915aba-e4d6-4dec-ad2e-b481e259f976    |  |  |  |
| 0 Eulamprus quoyii       | Eastern Water-skink  | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:6c2cd260-c072-4952-a708-97e2f4acc913    |  |  |  |
| 1 Hemiergis decresiensis | Three-toed Earless-skink   | urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:ea2fc241-eb18-4f8e-9b74-576b1a71968a    |  |  |  |

7. Copy the 3<sup>rd</sup> column to clipboard

#### Instructions:

- 1. Log in to your web site as usual.
- 2. Click on Admin from the navigation menu and Select Species Pages, then the Taxonomy sub-menu

| Admin                         | Sign Out |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Profile                       |          |                            |
| PORTAL ADMIN                  |          |                            |
| Manage Surveys                |          |                            |
| Edit K2CR Theme               |          |                            |
| Media Upload                  |          | htry.                      |
| Edit Fixed Pages Content HTML |          | ML .                       |
| Preferences                   |          |                            |
| Mobile Session                |          |                            |
| Species Pages, Field Guide    |          | Taxonomy                   |
| User Management               |          | Taxon Groups               |
|                               |          | Field Guide                |
|                               |          | Manage Slideshow Galleries |

3. Paste the list of LSIDs you have collected (for example from Excel as described above) into the large table at the foot of the page

| Search Taxonomy   |   |
|---|---|
| Enter the name of a taxon below to view the properties of the taxon, or click on "Add Tax   | on" to create a new taxonomic entry.  |
| Taxon Name:   |   |
|   | Edit Taxon Add Taxon  |
| To import a species or group of species from the ALA, enter a single Isid or list of Isids, s   | eparated by commas, in the text area below.   |
| 9a4a-00304854f820:ac2010,<br>urri:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:779e998e-b9a7-4296-<br>ad7b-24d97d1a050c,<br>urri:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:731a4aa6-ee9e-4a55-<br>b9c7-0e51489f98a | paste the list of LSIDs into the field,<br>making sure each LSID is separated by<br>commas. |
| urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:4c915aba-e4d6-4dec-<br>ad2e-b481e259f976,<br>urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:6c2cd260-c072-4952-<br>a708-97e2f4acc913,                              | deselect the 'import short profile(s)s only<br>checkbox                                     |
| urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:ea2fc241-eb18-4f8e-9b74-576b1a71968a   | click on the Import Taxon button  |
| Import short profile(s) only  | Import Taxon  |

### 4. Answer OK to the check box

| Search Taxonomy  |  |
|--|--|
| Enter the name of a taxon below to view  | Are you sure? Existing entries imported from ALA will be replaced!                                 |
| Name:  | OK Cancel  |
| To import a species or group of species fro<br>9a4a-003048541820:ac2010,<br>urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:779<br>ad7b-24497d1a050c, | om the ALA, enter a single Isid or list of Isids, separated by commas, in the<br>9e998e-b9a7-4296- |

5. Species profiles are imported in Bulk

| You have successfully imported 10 species.  |
|---|
| Search Taxonomy   |
| Enter the name of a taxon below to view the properties of the taxon, or click on "Add Taxon" to create a new taxonomic entry. |
| Taxon Name:   |

- 6. To confirm this select View Species Field Guide from the main menu, then (in this example) Lizard Skinks
- 7. The list will now include new and/or updated species pages with ALA content.

### TIP

It is very easy to get a comma in the wrong place which breaks the import process resulting in a 500 error page being displayed.

We did this several times for this help : )

#### Solution:

If you get the 500 error use browser go back to importing page; copy the contents of the large import field into clipboard; paste it into word; select it all and then turn it into a table with the comma as break – you can very clearly see when a column/row doesn't start with **urn**!

| urn:lsid | urn:lsid | urn:lsid | urn:lsid | bccurn:  | urn:lsid | urn:lsid | urn:lsid | urn:lsid | urn:lsid |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| :biodive | :biodiv  | :biodiv  | :biodiv  | lsid:cat | :biodiv  | :biodiv  | :biodiv  | :biodiv  | :biodiv  |
| rsity.or | ersity.o | ersity.o | ersity.o | alogue   | ersity.o | ersity.o | ersity.o | ersity.o | ersity.o |
| g.au:af  | rg.au:af | rg.au:af | rg.au:af | oflife.o | rg.au:af | rg.au:af | rg.au:af | rg.au:af | rg.au:af |
| d.taxon  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  | rg:taxo  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  | d.taxon  |
| :26152   | :5ccc19  | :f54766  | :ae448   | n:e9fc1  | :779e9   | :731a4   | :4c915a  | :6c2cd2  | :ea2fc2  |
| e1b-     | f4-      | 26-      | bba-     | 200-     | 98e-     | aa6-     | ba-      | 60-      | 41-      |
| 092d-    | ae4c-    | 426b-    | eb6f-    | 29c1-    | b9a7-    | ee9e-    | e4d6-    | c072-    | eb18-    |
| 47ee-    | 4d17-    | 4568-    | 4063-    | 102b-    | 4296-    | 4a55-    | 4dec-    | 4952-    | 4f8e-    |
| 9920-    | b1b1-    | bfb6-    | 906f-    | 9a4a-    | ad7b-    | b9c7-    | ad2e-    | a708-    | 9b74-    |
| 0c562b   | 7cb170   | f2c379   | b8aa70   | 003048   | 24d97d   | 0e5146   | b481e2   | 97e2f4   | 576b1a   |
| a9c0fa   | 259c46   | 6d26a7   | ff9      | 54f820:  | 1a050c   | 9f984a   | 59f976   | acc913   | 71968a   |
|          |          |          |          | ac2010   |          |          |          |          |          |

In this case pasting the text in again as a list and correcting the placement of the comma resulted in a successful import

urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:26152e1b-092d-47ee-9920-0c562ba9c0fa,urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:5ccc19f4-ae4c-4d17-b1b1-7cb170259c46,urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:f5476626-426b-4568-bfb6f2c3796d26a7,urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:ae448bba-eb6f-4063-906fb8aa70ff9bcc,urn:lsid:catalogueoflife.org:taxon:e9fc1200-29c1-102b-9a4a-00304854f820:ac2010,urn:lsid:biodiversity.org.au:afd.taxon:779e998e-b9a7-4296-ad7b-

## **SECTION 3: SPECIES PAGE FORMATTING**

The flowing images show what the unformatted new content looks like:

### Example 1:

A new species profile page with no formatting from the myrtle rust bdrs:



## Example 2:

A new species profile page containing ALA data with no formatting from the K2C Reptiles site:

| Leaf-green Tree Frog Litoria phyllo   | chroa  |
|---|--|
| Scientific Classification   |  |
| Genus <i>Litoria</i>  |  |
| Species Litoria phyllochroa   |  |
|   |  |
| Identification  |  |
| Common Name   |  |
| Leaf Green Tree Frog , Source: International Union for Conservation of Na   | ture   |
| Green Stream Frog , Source: OZ Animals  |  |
| Leaf Green River Tree Frog , Source: International Union for Conservation   | ofNature   |
| Leaf Green Tree Frog , Source: OZ Animals   |  |
| Leaf-green Tree Frog , Source: ALA website image uploads  |  |
| Leaf-green Tree Frog , Source: ALA website image uploads  |  |
| Leaf-green Tree Frog , Source: Department of Environment, Climate Chan  | ge and Water   |
| Litoria Phyllochroa, Hyla Phyllochroa, Hyla Phyllochroa Barringtonensis , S   | ource: OZ Animals  |
| Mountain Stream Tree Frog , Source: OZ Animals  |  |
| Thumbnail for Litoria phyllochroa   |  |
|   | Credit: Christopher Madden<br>Permission: CC-BY – Creative Commons Attribution 3.0<br>Australia<br>Description:  |
| 40x40 Thumbnail for Litoria phyllochroa   | Credit: Christopher Madder<br>Permission: CC-BY – Creative Commons Attribution 3.<br>Australi<br>Description:  |
| Image for Litoria phyllochroa   |  |
|   | Credit: Christopher Madder<br>Permission: CC-BY – Creative Commons Attribution 3.(<br>Australis<br>Description:  |
| DescriptiveText   |  |
| The Mountain Stream Tree Frog is light green to dark olive green on the brown yellowish stripe from the nostril, through the eye, and down to the | back . The thighs are orange yellow and the belly is off-white. It has a pale<br>e shoulder. It has black dots scattered over the back . The Mountain Stream |
| Source: OZ Animals  | reen meerrog (Liona phylochroa).   |
| DistributionText  |  |
| native to highland areas of NSW, Australia stretching from the Myall Lake:  | sarea, north to around Dorrigo National Park and west to Barrington Tops   |
| National Park.<br>Source: OZ Animals  |  |
| MorphologicalText   |  |
| 4.5cm   |  |
| Source: OZ Animals  |  |
|   |  |

| HabitatText  |
|--|
| mountainous areas, rainforests and wet sclerophyll forests   |
| Source: OZ Animals   |
| EcologicalText   |
| This species inhabits flowing creeks in mountainous areas, in rainforests and adjacent wet sclerophyll forests, as its name suggests. Males call from stream side vegetation during spring and summer, the call is similar to that of Litoria phyllochroa. This species is rarely described in field guides due to its similarity to the Pearson?s Green Tree Frog and due to the taxonomy being under review. |
| Source: Wikipedia  |
| Reference  |
| Anstis, M. 2002. Tadpoles of South-eastern Australia. Reed New Holland: Sydney. (under Litoria pearsoniana)  |
| Source: Wikipedia  |
| ImageLicenseInfo   |
| Brad (froggydarb) - http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Commons:GNU_Free_Documentation_License,_version_1.2  |
| Source: OZ Animals   |
| ImageUrl   |
| http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/e/e9/Litoria_phyllochroa.JPG/800px-Litoria_phyllochroa.JPG   |
| Source: Wikipedia  |
| Synonym  |
| Hy <i>la phyllochroa</i> , Source: Günther, 1863   |
| Conservation Status  |
| Least Concern/Unknown , Source: International Union for Conservation of Nature   |
| Habitat  |
|  |
| Non-marine   |

Source: Interim Register of Marine and Non-marine Genera

#### Identifier

urn:lsid:catalogueoflife.org:taxon:25053a48-60a7-102d-be47-00304854f810:ac2010 , Source: ALA

#### Example 3:

The same K2C Reptiles species profile page with formatting applied using a theme template

\Border Ranges\Theme Development\templates\public\fieldguide\ taxonView.vm

Permission: CC-5Y &ndesh; CreeDve Commons Attribution 3.0 Australia

# Atlas Imported Profile Data

#### Description:

The Mountain Stream Tree Prog is light grean to dark alve grean on the back. The thighs are arange yellow and the bely is off-white. It has a pole brown yellowish stripe from the restril, through the eye, and down to the shoulder. It has black data scattered over the back. The Mountain Stream Tree Prog. (Litaria barringtanensis) may be the same species as the Leaf Grean Tree Prog (Litaria phyliochrea).

#### Morphology:

4.5cm

#### Habitat:

mountainous areas, rainforcats and wet acknophyll forcats

#### Norrmarine

#### Distribution:

native to highland areas of NSW, Australia stretching from the Nyoli Lakes area, north to around Donigo National Park and west to Samington Tops National Park.

#### Identifier

Life Science Identifier (LSID): um/bid:catalogues/life.org:taxon:25053648-60a7-102d-bo47-00504854/510:ac2010

#### Reference

Analia, M. 2002. Tedpoles of South-castern Australia. Reed New Holland: Sydney. (under Literia pearsoniana)

**Record Casual Sighting Now** 

| Taxonomy                    |
|-----------------------------|
| Species: Lilorie phylochroe |
| Gonua: Litoria              |
| Common Name                 |
| Mountain Stream Tree Frag   |
| Synonym                     |
| Hyla phyliachrae            |
|                             |

The image is shown separately as it is quite large

