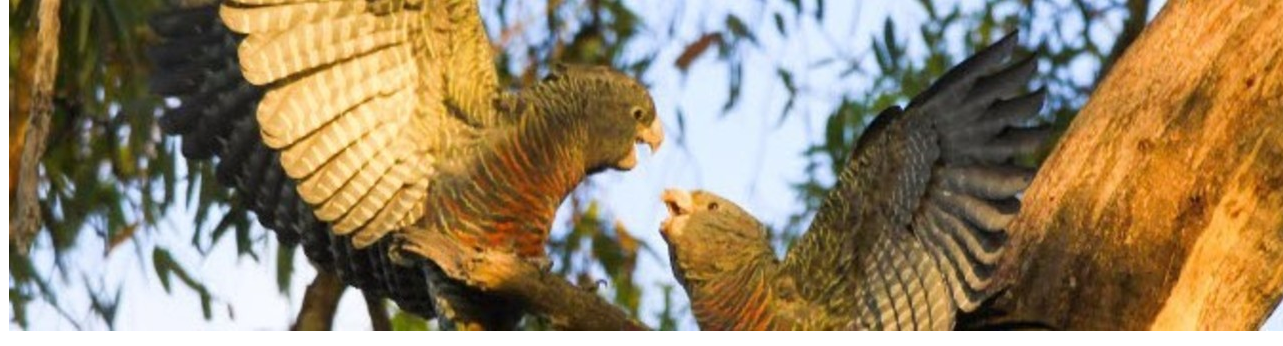


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*Callocephalon fimbriatum (Gang-Gang Cockatoo)*. Image by Andrew Keir.

### Welcome to our new Director

Please join us in welcoming Dr Andre Zerger to the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) team. Most recently, Andre managed the Data Services team at the Bureau of Meteorology, leading national data infrastructure programs for water and environmental data with distinct parallels to the ALA.



[Read Andre's full message](#)

## Highlights

### Magical Land of Oz

The ALA teamed up with the ABC's first Australian natural history documentary in more than 20 years to promote citizen science participation in biodiversity science.

[Read more](#) and participate now!



### ALA in use: Detection dogs for conservation

Scientists at the University of the Sunshine Coast train, test and use detection dogs for conservation projects and rely on the ALA to design surveys and manage data.

[Read more](#)



### Victorian Gorse Taskforce: fighting one of Australia's worst weeds

In February, we took part in an information roadshow helping to reduce Gorse across Victorian private and public land.

[Read more](#)



## Updates

### Spatial Portal update

A major rewrite and update of the ALA's Spatial Portal mapping and analysis tool is complete and now live.

[Read more](#)



### ALA website: new design

We're getting a makeover! Early in 2019 we'll be updating our website, tailoring content to each different ALA user group, and making it easier to find the tools and features you need.

[Read more](#)



## Tips & Tricks

### ALA Knowledge Base

Last year we launched a new help desk and Knowledge Base to assist users. We now have a one-stop-shop for help articles, how-to guides and access to ALA Support.

[ALA Knowledge Base](#)



### STARportal

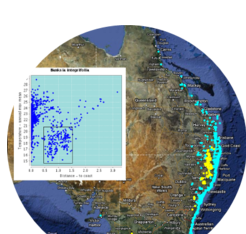
ALA is now listed as one of the resources on STARportal, a new online portal for families and schools to access science, technology, engineering and maths resources.

[Read more](#)



## Spatial Portal in Focus

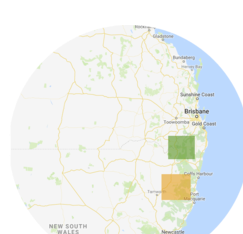
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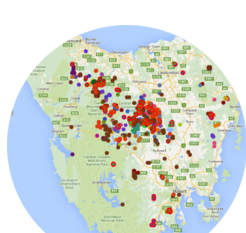
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COMPARE AREAS



FACETING AND FILTERING



IMPORT AREAS



AREA REPORT

## Featured Image

Every day new images of Australia's amazingly diverse species are uploaded to the ALA.

For this edition, we've chosen to highlight an image of a Cowboy Beetle (*Chondropyga dorsalis*) by Lachlan Read uploaded to the ABC's Magical Land of Oz citizen science project.

To upload your own sightings, visit [Record a Sighting](#).



### Atlas of Living Australia Dashboard



**46,664**  
registered users



**82.9 million**  
integrated  
occurrence records



**15**  
global instances of  
ALA infrastructure

### Handy Links & Resources



**Spatial Portal**  
Analyse species,  
location and  
environment data



**Search species**  
Find images and  
information for  
Australian species



**Record a sighting**  
Upload your own  
species image and  
location information



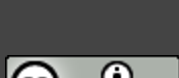
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The Atlas of Living Australia acknowledges Australia's Traditional Owners and pays respect to the past and present Elders of the nation's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. We honour and celebrate the spiritual, cultural and customary connections of Traditional Owners to country and the biodiversity that forms part of that country.

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