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PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Ainsworth, Nigel (Department of Primary Industries: Frankston) (10-02-05):** advice received by email on off-label use of herbicides following a phone conversation on the matter.
- Allen Rob (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority's Far East Supervisor) (21-09-07):** in a conversation regarding the control of tuberoid-producing Madeira Vine in the Cann Valley of Victoria.
- Allen, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority's Far East Supervisor for the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority) (09-'07):** in a conversation regarding ecology and growth form of Madeira Vine **Anredera cordifolia*, and methods of chemical control used in East Gippsland.
- Allen, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority's Far East Supervisor for the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority) (10-'07):** in a conversation regarding the feeding habits of different classes of domestic stock and what effects this may have on paddock rainforest starter species.
- Allen, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority's Far East Supervisor for the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority) (10-'07):** in a conversation regarding the time it takes to eliminate infestations of Madeira Vine **Anredera cordifolia*.
- Allen, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority's Far East Supervisor for the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority) (10-'07):** regarding the aetiology of a stand of Black Wattle *Acacia mearnsii* and Blackwood *Acacia melanoxylon* (that following mistletoe colonisation), led to the emergence of a stand of Warm Temperate Rainforest at the West Cann Bridge on the left bank of the Cann River.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (01-04):** in conversations regarding protocols for accessing culturally important sites and advice on local uses of bush foods and medicines.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (07/05):** regarding Gunai initiation ceremonies.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (07/05):** regarding Gunai use of vegetables with fatty meats such as Wombat.
- Andy, Robert (Koori Liaison Officer EGCMA) (2006):** in a conversation regarding bush foods found in East Gippsland.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (07/05):** regarding Gunai hunting of Swamp Wallaby.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (07/05):** regarding Gunai hunting of snakes and their consumption.
- Andy, Robert (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Aboriginal Liaison Officer) (07/05):** regarding Gunai methods for producing fire.
- Axen, Len (East Gippsland Bird Observers Club) (2005):** regarding a record of White-headed Pigeon on the Marlo Road in rainforest restoration area in a conversation regarding birds on the lower Snowy River.
- Axen, Len (East Gippsland Bird Observers Club):** information contained in his letter (13-07-07) providing an incidental bird list for the Orbost Bike track collected over the last 3 years (2004-2007).
- Baker, Neil (Greening Australia Eastern Region Manager) (03-'08):** in a conversation regarding tubestock planting rates using different hand implements.
- Bilney, Roger (former wildlife officer) (05-'02):** record of an immature bird Superb Fruit Dove at their Mitchell River property (resident for several days) eating strawberry guavas for a fortnight before killing itself on the kitchen window.
- Bilney, Roger and Rohan (former wildlife officer, wildlife ecologist respectively).** In several conversations regarding the extent of invasion of deer during 2005 and 2006, particularly commenting on Hog Deer (a fabled 'coastal species') reaching the Calulu hills tens of kilometres inland.
- Bilney, Rohan (2007) (PhD student studying large forest owls):** discussing research findings and observations on the differentiation in roosting choice between Powerful and Sooty Owls in East Gippsland.
- Bilney, Rohan (2007) (PhD student studying large forest owls):** discussing research roosting behaviour of Boobook Owls in East Gippsland.
- Box, Graham (Department of Sustainability and Environment) (2006):** in a conversation regarding the techniques used in direct seeding on the Marlo Road in 1990.
- Box, Graham (Department of Sustainability and Environment) (15-11-07):** in a conversation regarding the timing of the establishment of the Orbost Rainforest Centre restoration project and who funded the works.
- Brethereton, Sam (Greening Australia) (2006):** in a conversation regarding post direct-seeding weed control.
- Burns, John (local butterfly expert and rainforest restoration ecologist) (over many years):** in many conversations regarding unusual butterfly records for East Gippsland, Victoria.
- Burns, John (local botanist) (2009):** on the discovery of Common Pencil Blue at Nicholson River laying eggs on Sticky Hopbush *Dodonaea viscosa* by John Hermans and confirmed by John Burns.

- Calnin, Dale (Parks Victoria Ranger at the Buchan Caves Reserve) (03/09): reports locals recorded 48°C temperatures in the shade during February 2009 heatwave.
- Cameron, David (Senior Botanist DSE) (09/07): in discussions regarding the ecology of Dry Gully Rainforests and the ecological similarities between this New South Wales rainforest type and *Ephemeral Streams* Gallery Rainforest which is described for Victoria by Peel (1999).
- Cameron, David (Senior Botanist DSE) (2008): discussions regarding *Eustrephus latifolius*.
- Cameron, David (Senior Botanist DSE) (2009): recent discovery by two workers of Yellow Elderberry *Sambucus australasica* at Wilsons Promontory.
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (2005): advice regarding the availability of cultural information from local Koori people based on his post-graduate thesis on the first contact between indigenous Australians and Europeans on the far south coast of New South Wales.
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (01/05): advice regarding the pioneer species compositions of south coast New South Wales lowland rainforest ecological vegetation classes for inclusion in Restoration Method (Appendix 5.3).
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) ('05-'06): in many conversations regarding his academic work on first contact between Europeans and indigenous peoples in south-eastern Australia.
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (04-'07): in conversation regarding the progress of rainforest rehabilitation at Goalen Head.
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (09-'07): in discussions on his findings during the Bega Shire coastal weed survey, that he had uncovered a devastating rust infection on Cape Ivy *Delairea odorata* at Pambula Beach (see **Appendix 3**: Figure A3-3).
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (2007): in conversation regarding the fire history of the catastrophic 1952 wildfires in the Bega and Gulaga district.
- Stuart Cameron (Ecologist) (2007): on the loss of whole infestations of Blackberry *Rubus fruticosus* spp. agg. at Lake Cuttagee on the Far South Coast of New South Wales (which is at the edge of the sub-tropical climate zone pre-1970s: presumably due to the warming of the region during climate change).
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (01-'08): in conversation about his observation that fruits of *Dianella longifolia* were fed to fledglings by adult Lewins Honeyeater (January 2008).
- Cameron, Stewart (Ecologist) (11-05-'08): in a conversation about sampling done with Jacki Miles of Littoral Rainforest at Grey Rocks).
- Chaudhry, Todd (14-05-'08) (Fire ecologist and CFA Farming and Rural Living Project Manager): in a conversation regarding fire behaviour and CFA vehicle and fire-fighting access.
- Chaudhry, Todd (06-'08) (Fire ecologist and CFA Farming and Rural Living Project Manager): in written edits to the Fire management at the local scale section of the Manual.
- Coulton, Chris (02-02-09) (Principle with Snowy River Riparian Pty. Ltd.): in a conversation regarding results of their monitoring of rainforest regeneration at Boulder Creek, Victoria following a wildfire there in 2007.
- Davies, Leigh (Colquhoun North Arm Landcare Group) (2004): in a conversation regarding weed management and ecology.
- Dodken, Mike (Ranger from Sea Acres Nature Reserve Port Macquarie) (2009): in conversation regarding weed ecology.
- Eby, Peggy (2005): in a conversation requesting any data that the author had collected on the feeding behaviour and food items of Grey-headed Flying Foxes in East Gippsland.
- Finlayson, Brian (former Professor of Geography Melbourne University) 27-10-08: in a conversation regarding changed restoration trajectories on the degraded sand rivers of south-eastern Australia.
- Firth, Don (19-10-08) (proprietor of the Bridgehouse Nursery Brogo): during the Far South Coast Conservation Management Network's Rainforest Restoration Workshop field visit to the Buckajo Road Dry Rainforest remnant.
- Fuhrer, Bruce (13-08-'07: kind use of his preliminary fungi list for the Orbost Bike Track and advice on its relevance (on the Snowy River); transmitted by email via Jan Reid).
- Giblin, Kevin (Fire Management Officer, Bairnsdale) (28/08/06): in conversation seeking date and origins of the Grantie Creek Wildfire.
- Gillespie, Graeme (08-04): during field trip discussing remedies for scrub itch.
- Grant, Rob (2005). In discussions about his early memories of the Mitchell River flats and the vegetation that grew there when earlier colonies of Grey-headed Flying Foxes were present on the river.
- Goldsmith, Les (keen naturalist and proprietor of Goldsmith's in the Forest B&B) (4-11-07): in a conversation regarding feeding behaviour of birds at the time of cicada emergence.
- Gough, Estelle (Port Macquarie Landcare Nurserywoman) (09-'07): in a conversation regarding the preparation of Red Ash *Alphitonia excelsa* seed prior to sowing.

- Gough, Estelle (Port Macquarie Landcare Nurserywoman) (30-10-07): in a conversation regarding the inoculation of the roots of *Casuarina* species.
- Gough, Estelle (Port Macquarie Landcare Nurserywoman) (30-10-07): in a conversation regarding the merits of improved plant establishment using a product called Terracottun®.
- Gough, Estelle (Port Macquarie Landcare Nurserywoman) (2007-2010): in many conversations regarding weed ecology and management (control).
- Gough, Estelle (Port Macquarie Landcare Nurserywoman and bush regenerator) (04-'08): in a conversation regarding post-aerial spraying of Bitou impacts on Littoral Rainforest at Sea Acres Nature Reserve.
- Grant, Rob (naturalist) (2003): in a conversation regarding the behaviour of rainforest animals in the Mitchell River valley.
- Grant, Rob (naturalist) (2003): in a conversation regarding the behaviour of Grey-headed Flying Foxes and their roosting on the Mitchell River valley at Bairnsdale and later in the Botanic Gardens in Bairnsdale, following the clearing of their river flat rainforest roosts.
- Hall, Toni (SRR CMA bush regenerator from Candello) (10-'07): in a conversation regarding local oral history on the demise and extinction of Kanooka *Tristaniopsis laurina* on the Bega River (it is still present on the Brogo River).
- Hallowell, Jodie (Gippsland Water Quality Officer for East Gippsland and West Gippsland Catchment Management Authorities) (2005): advice received on the voracity of phosphorous processing data by Maringa Creek during a storm event in 2005.
- Hamilton, Leo (retired agronomist formerly of the Department of Primary Industries, Bairnsdale) (07-'07): in a conversation regarding the odd germination behaviour on the Snowy River of Red Passion Flower *Passiflora cinnabarina*.
- Harden, Gwen (botanist) (09-'07): conveying advice regarding the splitting off of a taxon (previously in *Pandorea pandorana* s.l.) that is currently known as *Pandorea* sp. (Ipswich), to be published as such in Harden *et. al.* (2007). The new entity is a massive rainforest vine of Subtropical Rainforests and reaches its southern limit in south-eastern Australia.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2004): In a conversation regarding his frost records for 2003 at Orbost, on the lower Snowy River.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (03-'08): advice on propagation of Tall Saw-sedge *Gahnia clarkii*.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2008): in discussions regarding the fertilisation of some seedling species to speed up production and the attendant risks to these species of damping off.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2008): in a conversation regarding the sensitivity of Tree Violet *Melicytus dentatus* to hot feet when young.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2009): on the germination requirements of Prickly Currant-bush *Coprosma quadrifida* and Tree Violet *Melicytus dentatus* which are collected in January, berries dried with the flesh left on, refrigerated and then sown in seed trays left out to be impacted on by frost, with good germination by August.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2009): passing on to the author that a number of rainforest species died in the nursery if their pots were exposed to full sun. A full list of Hot-feet, Cold-feet species are provided in **Appendix S6: work sheet: Plants that need cool feet**.
- Hepp, Jurg (rainforest nurseryman) (2009): on the germination requirements of Narrow-leaved Geebung *Persoonia linearis* and Blue Oliveberry *Elaeocarpus reticulatus*.
- Hermans, John (local botanist) (2009): on the discovery of Common Pencil Blue at Nicholson River laying eggs on Sticky Hopbush *Dodonaea viscosa*. Confirmed by John Burns.
- Ho, Juli and Gough, Estelle (04-'08): in discussions at a site progress and assessment workshop at a Shelly Beach Littoral Rainforest restoration site project facilitated by the author;
- Ingram, Craig (Independent MP for Gippsland East) (09-'06): in a conversation about the distribution and impact of Sambar Deer on rainforests in the foothills of East Gippsland.
- James, Max (Wangrabelle resident) (12-'07): in a discussion about his walk through the Double Creek rainforest in Croajingalong National Park.
- Jones, Christine (Dr.) (Soil scientist) (2008): in a long and fruitful discussion over dinner following the East Gippsland Agriculture during climate change Conference February 2008 of the role of carbon in soils and the interaction between plants, soil mycorrhiza and the successional development of soils.
- Joseph, Rosemary (expert bush regenerator in the Big Scrub Lismore) (2000): regarding weed ecology and management.
- Kelly, Jim (19-10-08) (Tathra Landcare): in a conversation regarding the management of the Tathra Foreshore by the group, during the Far South Coast Conservation Management Network's Rainforest Restoration Workshop field visit to the Buckajo Road Dry Rainforest remnant.

- Krajca, Dave (Department of Primary Industries) (08-05): in a conversation regarding the techniques used in direct seeding along the lower Snowy River in 1990.
- McCarthy, Greg (Research Fellow School of Forest and Ecosystem Science University of Melbourne and seconded to the Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre to study aerial and ground suppression of fire) (05-'08): in a field trip to interpret the 2006-7 Alpine Wildfire Complex Fire's behaviour, forensics and the author's conclusions regarding bonfire trees in the headwaters of Monkey Creek's watershed in a Warm Temperate Rainforest stand.
- McDonald, Tein (Editor: *Ecological Management and Restoration*) '08: in comments on the manuscript for this publication.
- Mahlook, Mick and Sandy (nursery people) (early years of the first decade of 2000): regarding their nursery experiences.
- Mahlook, Lyndal (artist and member of the East Gippsland Rainforest Conservation Management Network) (07-11-07): in a conversation regarding her record of breeding record for Channel-billed Cuckoo with Pied Currawong.
- Malolakis, George (2006): in a conversation regarding the age of middens in south-eastern Australia.
- McFarlane, Yvonne (Pebbly Beach Caretaker) (11-05-'08): in a conversation regarding the early settlement and more recent history of Pebbly Beach and Little Pebbly Beach in the Murramarang National Park.
- Miles, Jackie (Botanical consultant southern New South Wales) (2005): in conversations regarding the weed ecology of species on the Far South Coast.
- Mitchell, Tony (Fauna Management Officer, Department of Sustainability and Environment, Orbost) (email during May 2006): discussing the Bairnsdale Grey-headed Flying Fox camp on Riverine Road.
- Morrison, Reg (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Operations Manager) (during the period 2004-2006): in conversations regarding the techniques used by the Authority to transplant Common Reed for bank protection works.
- Morrison, Reg (East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Operations Manager) (during the period 2004-2006): in conversations regarding his boyhood memories of farming and rainforests on the Tambo River upstream of Swan Reach.
- Moss, Bridget (Greening Australia) (2007): in discussions on time taken for direct-seeding on river flats.
- Moss, Bridget (Greening Australia) (2007): in discussions on time taken for mechanical planting on river flats.
- Moss, Bridget (Greening Australia) (06-'08): in a conversation regarding direct seeding rates and mechanised planters and why the latter are no longer in common use in south-eastern Australia.
- O'Connor, Paul (Vegetation Officer, Port Macquarie Hastings Council) 12-'09: in a conversation regarding the causes of disturbance and incremental development at the car park of Middle Rock Beach (Mid North Coast New South Wales).
- Owen, Richard (former proprietor of Nungurner Hills Nursery and currently CEO of Forestech) (09-'08): during a conversation regarding the date of riparian plantings at The Cliffs on the Tambo River, Victoria.
- Owen, Richard (CEO of Forestech) (09-'08): regarding the planting by the Tambo River Improvement Trust in 1994-5.
- Paget, Andrew (Botanist, Taree City Council, New South Wales) ('07): in a conversation regarding rainforest restoration techniques he had applied to his Subtropical Rainforest remnants on his property in the Manning River Valley of New South Wales.
- Pascoe, Bruce (Friends of Gipsy Point) (12-'07): in a discussion at a EGCMA run rainforest field day at Devlin's Inlet Mallacoota, describing a successful method for the chemical control of Arum Lily **Zantedeschia aethiopica*, (applied to infestations at Gipsy Point).
- Phillips, Dianne (East Gippsland District Veterinary Officer) (06-'08): In a discussion regarding suspected poisoning of cattle as the result of the consumption of White Milkvine *Marsdenia rostrata*.
- Playdell, Malcolm (03-'08): in a conversation regarding the damage done to the Lonely Bay rainforests by Sambar Deer and the relationship between this and Sambar population size.
- Reagan, Sue (Rainforest regenerator based in the Hastings River Valley) (03-'07): in a conversation regarding rainforest restoration using direct seeding for pioneer species;
- Reagan, Sue (Rainforest regenerator based in the Hastings River Valley) (03-'07): in a conversation regarding soil temperatures and the establishment success of various rainforest plants, which helped us to perhaps solve one of the conundrums with secondary species surviving (and growing well in full sun in nurseries) but dying if planted with unprotected soil in the field (if not shaded or mulched);
- Reagan, Sue (Rainforest regenerator based in the Hastings River Valley) (03-'07): in a conversation regarding trials of Starane® in the control of Rambling Dock **Acetosa sagittatus*.
- Reagan, Sue (Rainforest regenerator based in the Hastings River Valley) (09-'08): in a cautionary tale provided as a part of her peer review of the Manual regarding control of one weed (privet) resulting in the release of a much more serious weed: Rambling Dock **Acetosa sagittatus*.

- Rickard, Ned (Snowy River Riparian P/L): (2004): in conversations regarding the methods used for stem cutting propagation of Common Reed *Phragmites australis*.
- Rickard, Ned (Snowy River Riparian P/L): (2005): in conversations regarding the time taken for seed-grown Common Reed *Phragmites australis* to establish compared with translocation of mature clumps.
- Rickard, Ned (Snowy River Riparian P/L): (2009): regarding herbicide control of English Ivy at Cabbage Tree Creek.
- Rickard, Ned (Snowy River Riparian P/L): (2009): in conversations regarding the germination times for Blue Oliveberry *Elaeocarpus reticulatus* from Emu ingested seed.
- Robertson, Bruce (former Snowy River Improvement Trust and East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority employee) (2001): during conversations regarding site histories on the lower Snowy River.
- Rule, Dot (local long time resident of Nowa Nowa Arm) (08-'05): in a conversation regarding valley fogs (frequency and seasonality) at Nowa Nowa Arm and the age and time senescence for Limestone Blue Wattle *Acacia caerulescens*.
- Scientific Committee (2005): Letter to the author from the New South Wales Scientific Committee set up under the *Threatened Species Conservation Act* (1995) acknowledging their listing of Herbivory and environmental degradation by feral deer as a key threatening process in Schedule 3 of the Act.
- Stephens, Joe (former Ranger, Parks Victoria) (03-'07): in a conversation on with the author at the Friends of the Gippsland Lakes Annual General Meeting dinner presentation several topics including the extinct Littoral Rainforests of the Eastern Creek area of Lakes Entrance (in which he played as a young boy).
- Stephens, Joe (former Ranger, Parks Victoria) (07-'08): in a conversation with the author regarding the aggregating behaviour of Sambar around water during drought and the severe degradation of riverside vegetation that occurred in the Mitchell River National Park during the 2003 drought when hundreds congregated there.
- Tanmaya (landholder at beside the Gulaga Walking Track Tilba Tilba, New South Wales) (09-'07): in a conversation regarding the history of eucalypt dieback along the track and in the adjacent gullies.
- Van Der Ree, Rod (Melbourne University): mortality rates for Grey-headed Flying Fox in Victoria during extreme temperature weather events in January-February 2009.
- Vranjic, John Dr. (Ecological Communities Section of the Department of Environment and Water, Canberra) (10-'07): in email advice regarding the finalisation the nomination of Littoral Rainforests in eastern Australia under the EPBC Act.
- Vuat, Richard (rainforest nurseryman and rainforest restoration contractor) (2005): in an ongoing debate about what exactly it is about some secondary species and their establishment requirements in the field (compared to the conditions that prevail in the nursery), that cause them to die if planted in full sun or without mulch.
- Vuat, Richard (rainforest nurseryman and rainforest restoration contractor) (2006): in a conversation regarding Tree Violet *Melicactus dentatus* response to fire.
- Woodford, Ralph (2000): conversations regarding the ecology of Subtropical Rainforests and their restoration in the Big Scrub area of northern New South Wales.
- Younger, Peter (spraying contractor): in a conversation regarding the maintenance costs for ensuring the survival of direct-seeded plots.