

WATERFALL SPRINGS WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



FACT SHEET

- Waterfall Springs is a 'closed sanctuary' i.e off limits to the public, located on private property in Kulnura NSW – 1 1/2 hours north of Sydney.
- Waterfall Springs Wildlife Sanctuary was founded by Lloyd Oldfield in 1990 and is operated by the Waterfall Springs Conservation Association Incorporated.
- The (WSCA) is committed to conservation initiatives on a non commercial basis. The WSCA is registered with the Department of Fair Trading and is a non profit organisation of 60 Members actively contributing to saving endangered species.
- Waterfall Springs is funded by the generous support of volunteers, corporate sponsors and the community.
- The Sanctuary is a vital state and community asset working co-operatively with the government, major zoos and community groups in the fight to help save endangered species.
- Waterfall Springs is home to four endangered species of wallaby and operates under the direction of the state government managed breeding programs.
- Waterfall Springs occupies 13 acres and includes 30 purpose built wallaby enclosures replicating as closely as possible the natural habitats of the species. The reconstructed rock wallaby habitats are large earthen mounds incorporating numerous tunnels, dens and caves built from concrete culvert with quarried rock placed on selected aspects to create escarpments.
- Waterfall Springs is the lead organisation for the 'central form' Brush-tailed Rock-wallaby (BTRW) captive breeding program conducted under the direction of the NSW BTRW Recovery Team.
- The NSW BTRW Recovery Team has identified captive breeding as an important initiative for the recovery of this endangered species. It involves recruiting population numbers from the wild to conduct accelerated breeding with off spring released into identified priority sites across NSW to support declining colonies.
- Innovative electronic animal management systems make Waterfall Springs a leader in BTRW care, research and conservation.
- Waterfall Springs was the 2004 recipient of the Wildlife Preservation Society's Community Wildlife Conservation Award in recognition of its significant contribution to the preservation of Australian wildlife.

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