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# Gluepot Reserve FOUNDATION

*Ensuring the conservation of our environment for future generations*



In February 2002, a 'Memorandum of Understanding' was signed between the Birds Australia Council and the Committee of Management of Birds Australia Gluepot Reserve for the development of a '**Gluepot Reserve Foundation**'.

The 'Gluepot Reserve Foundation' is a recognised sub-fund of the Australian Bird Fund, a public resource established by Birds Australia and registered for tax-deductibility under the Income Tax Assessment Act.

The Gluepot Management Committee is charged with the sole responsibility of raising the entire \$80,000 per annum it costs to run the Reserve. There are no salaried positions so every dollar of income goes directly into the operation of Gluepot.

The Reserve's only guaranteed revenue comes from visitor fees and \$10,700 per annum from the Bureau of Meteorology to cover the cost of operating the Bureau's Gluepot weather station.

The task of the Gluepot Reserve Foundation is to raise \$1 million over the next five years to ensure the long-term financial viability of the Reserve. Monies will be sought from philanthropic Trusts and Foundations but income generation must be sourced immediately from groups, individuals and existing supporters.

The interest earned on Foundation income will fund the Reserve's operating budget while the capital will remain inviolate. Generating this income will enable Reserve managers to devote their total efforts to preserving and improving what is a unique Australian environment. Their efforts to research problems associated with the Mallee and its threatened species and in promoting Gluepot Reserve as a 'Centre for Science' must continue.

To achieve its objective of conserving the Gluepot environment for future generations, the Management Committee requests your support. Donations are tax deductible and can be a one-off gift or an annual pledge which will ensure the sustainability of the Reserve. You might also consider Gluepot Reserve as a beneficiary of your will by bequeathing a gift of money, shares or property. Gifts of \$250 or more will be recognised in the Commemorative Register maintained at the Reserve.

