



Warddeken Camera Trap Results 2013



Introduction

Warddeken Indigenous Rangers have been working together with scientists from the Northern Territory Government on a project that is part of the National Environmental Research Program.

Together we are looking at better ways to monitor terrestrial animals and also at the impact of feral cats. One part of the research has been looking at the effectiveness and practicality of using motion sensor cameras as a terrestrial monitoring technique.

We have been putting out camera traps at the same time as using more traditional monitoring techniques like Elliot traps and pitfall traps, to see how they compare. We are also testing the best way to set up the cameras. For example, how many to use, where to place them and what bait to use.

Initial results are very promising, with camera traps even detecting some species that were not picked up by the other trapping methods. Camera traps also offer the advantage of being far less resource and labour intensive than Elliot and pitfall trap methods. In addition camera traps are more suitable for use by rangers without support by trained ecologists.

This report presents a list of species recorded at different sites using two different methods. The first part of the report shows the results of a trial to detect cats using just one camera at each site and testing a variety of different baits and lures to attract cats.

The second part of the report shows the results of a trial to detect both native mammals and feral cats using 5 cameras at each site (a 50 metre x 50 metre quadrat) with standard small mammal bait (honey, rolled oats and peanut butter). The report shows a small selection of the more interesting photos from the many thousands that we have recorded.

So far we have found that the type of bait or lure makes very little difference to attracting cats and that we record more cats using 5 cameras at a site with just standard bait than we do using one camera with different bait and lure types. However we still have more work to do in testing the different methods before this project is finished.

Camera Trial May/June 2013

In this trial we tried using dry cat food and dried liver for some sites and pongo (cat smell) for other sites.

We also put some cameras in open areas and others in narrow areas, such as creeks or between rocks.

We wanted to see what bait and what type of places were best for finding cats.

In total 2 feral cats, 4 feral animal species, 3 native mammal species and 10 bird species were recorded from 23 sites.

Site CAT21 - Camera N1

Species List: Dingo - *Dalkken*

Pig

Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

Crow - *Wak*



Site CAT20 - Camera N6

Species List: Black wallaroo (male) - *Barrk*

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RECONYX

Black wallaroo (male) - *Barrk*

Site CAT26 - Camera N7

Species List: Feral cat - ginger

Buffalo - Nganabbarru

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25°C

Feral cat



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25°C

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25°C



Site CAT06 - Camera W13

Species List: Crow - *Wak*
Peaceful dove - *Korlobok*
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

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Peaceful dove - *Korlobok*

Site CAT13 - Camera N9

Species List: Crow - *Wak*

Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

Dingo - *Dalkken*

Rainbow skink - *Burndjingh*

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M 2/3



28°C



Rainbow skink (*Burndjingh*) on rock

HC600 COVERT

Ngangkan creek - Site CAT05 - Camera W5

Species List: Whistling kite - *Marram*
Buffalo - *Nganabbaru*
Crow - *Wak*

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Whistling kite - *Marram*

Ngangkan creek - Site CAT05 - Camera W5

2013-05-25 3:01:32 PM M 1/3

● 37°C



Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

HC600 COVERT

Site CAT09 - Camera W7

Species List: Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*

Pig

Straw-necked ibis

Bar-shouldered dove

Crow - *Wak*



Site CAT09 - Camera W7

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Agile wallaby - Kornobolo

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Site CAT21 - Camera W16

Species List: Pig

White-faced heron - *Naburrrma*

Partridge pigeon - *Rakul*

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White-faced heron - *Naburrrma*

Site CAT21 - Camera W16

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Partridge pigeon - *Rakul*

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Manmoyih - Site CAT01 - Camera W18

Species List: Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*

Dingo - *Dalkken*

Camp dog

Crow - *Wak*



Milo steals the bait!

Ngangkan spring - Site CAT07 - Camera W22

Species List: Black wallaroo - *Barrk*

Crow - *Wak*



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Black wallaroo - *Barrk*

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Site CAT07 - Camera W26

Species List:

Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

Bush stone curlew - *Kurruwirlik*

Brown goshawk

Straw-necked ibis

Crow - *Wak*

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Bush stone curlew - *Kurruwirlik*

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Bulyim - Site CAT13 - Camera W28

Species List: Crow - *Wak* Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*
Straw-necked ibis Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

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M 1/3

2013-06-06 2:45:39 PM

M 3/3



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Straw-necked ibis

Site CAT03 - Camera W24

Species List: Crow - *Wak*
Common bronzewing pigeon
Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*
Dingo - *Dalkken*
Camp dog
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*



Common bronzewing pigeon

Site CAT03 - Camera W24



Dingo - *Dalkken*

Mirelk - Site CAT24 - Camera W27

Species list: Feral cat
Pig
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*
Crow - *Wak*



These sites either had no photos or the photos were no different from those already in the report.

Yenamaraway - Site CAT15 - Camera N8

Species List: Crow - *Wak*

Bukbuk - Site CAT16 - Camera N2

No animals seen on camera

Site CAT19 - Camera N4

Species List: Crow - *Wak*
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*
Pig

Site CAT10 - Camera W8

Species List: Dingo - *Dalkken*

Site CAT04 - W14

Species List: Dingo - *Dalkken*

Site Cat18 - Camera W17

No photos

Site CAT25 - Camera W20

Species List: Dingo - *Dalkken*

Site CAT02 - Camera W21

Species List: Crow - *Wak*
Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*
Dingo - *Dalkken*

Site CAT11 - Camera W23

Species List: Crow - *Wak*
Dingo - *Dalkken*

Mirelk - Site Cat27 - Camera W25

Species List: Dingo - *Dalkken*
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*

Millerrelerle Camera Trap Results

In this trial we put out 5 cameras at each site all with peanut butter mix for bait. This was to see if using 5 cameras at a survey site increased the number of small mammals and feral cats we found. In total we recorded 6 feral cats, 5 feral animal species, 9 native mammal species, 18 bird species and 2 reptile species from 12 sites using 58 cameras.

Yenamaraway - Site KAM01 - Camera RW01, RW26, W14, W18, W23

Species List: Echidna - *Ngarrbek*
Water rat - *Yirrkbadj*
Black wallaroo - *Barrk*
Feral cat
Camp dog
Dingo - *Dalkken*
Pig
Buffalo - *Nganabbarru*
Straw-necked ibis
Crow - *Wak*

Yenamaraway - Site KAM01 - Camera RW01, RW26, W14, W18, W23

2013-09-03 6:10:32 AM M 3/3



PC850 PROFESSIONAL

2013-08-19 6:03:04 AM M 3/3



PC850 PROFESSIONAL

RECONYX

Feral cat

Yenamaraway - Site KAM01 - Camera RW01, RW26, W14, W18, W23



One Sock was here for 2.5 hours
waiting for someone to come back

Yenamaraway - Site KAM01 - Camera RW01, RW26, W14, W18, W23



Water rat - Yirrkbadj



Echidna - Ngarrbek

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Ngoroloh - Site KAM03 - Camera RW03, RW19, W20, W24, W25

Species List:

Dingo - Dalkken	Grey-crowned babbler - <i>Ngangangh-ngangangh</i>
Feral cat	Bar-shouldered dove
Camp dog	Magpie lark - <i>Borliblib</i>
Buffalo - <i>Nganabbaru</i>	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
Straw-necked ibis	Cane toad



Ngoroloh - Site KAM03 - Camera RW03, RW19, W20, W24, W25

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Bar-shouldered dove

Ngoroloh - Site KAM03 - Camera RW03, RW19, W20, W24, W25

Grey-crowned babbler -
Ngangangh-ngangangh



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Magpie lark - *Borliblib*

Mekokduberrk - Site KAM05 - Cameras RC20, RC23, RC25, RW02, RW23

Species List:

Euro - <i>Kalkberd</i>	Diamond dove
Native Rodent/Rat - <i>Djirrkkinj</i>	Peaceful dove - <i>Korlobok</i>
Feral cat (tail only)	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
Buffalo - <i>Nganabbarru</i>	Cane toad



Mekokduberrk - Site KAM05 - Cameras RC20, RC23, RC25, RW02, RW23



Mekokduberrk - Site KAM05 - Cameras RC20, RC23, RC25, RW02, RW23

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Euro - Kalkberd



Feral cat (tail only)

PC850 PROFESSIONAL

Kordomkordom - Site KAM07 - Camera RC01, RC42, RC44, RW58, RW61

Species List:	Bush stone curlew	Partridge pigeon - <i>Rakul</i>
	Straw-necked ibis	Peaceful dove - <i>Korlobok</i>
	Magpie lark - <i>Borliblib</i>	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
	White-faced heron - <i>Naburrrma</i>	Dingo - <i>Dalkken</i>
	Great egret - <i>Komorlo</i>	Buffalo - <i>Nganabbarru</i>
	Intermediate egret - <i>Komorlo</i>	Pig

Pigs



**White-faced heron - *Naburrrma*
and White ibis**



**Straw-necked ibis and
White-necked heron - *Naburrrma***

Kordomkordom - Site KAM07 - Camera RC01, RC42, RC44, RW58, RW61

2013-08-23 11:30:23 PM M 3/3

22°C



RW61



Bush stone curlew – *Kurruwirlik*

Bulyim - Site KAM08 - Camera RW05, RW20, W7, W16, W27

Species List:

Agile wallaby - <i>Kornobolo</i>	Peaceful dove - <i>Korlobok</i>
Buffalo - <i>Nganabbarru</i>	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
Brown goshawk - <i>Galawidwid</i>	Rainbow skink - <i>Burndjingh</i>
Magpie lark - <i>Borliblib</i>	



Bukbuk - Site KAM09 - Camera RC15, RC27, RC31, RW56, RW59

Species List:

Black wallaroo - <i>Barrk</i>	Brown goshawk
Short-eared rock wallaby - <i>Badbong</i>	Chestnut-quilled rock pigeon - <i>Doddoro</i>
Dingo - <i>Dalkken</i>	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
Pig	



Bukbuk - Site KAM09 - Camera RC15, RC27, RC31, RW56, RW59



Bukbuk - Site KAM09 - Camera RC15, RC27, RC31, RW56, RW59

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33°C



HC550 HYPERFIRE

RECONYX

This is the only Badbong (Short-eared rock wallaby)
we found after two years of camera trapping

Malawoyirrek - Anbinnik Forest - Site KAMAA - Camera RC09, RC41, RC43, RW21, RW57

Species List:	Agile wallaby - <i>Kornobolo</i>	Straw-necked ibis
	Euro - <i>Kalkberd</i>	White ibis
	Dingo - <i>Dalkken</i>	Great egret - <i>Komorlo</i>
	Buffalo - <i>Nganabbaru</i>	White-necked heron - <i>Naburra</i>
	Pig	Bar-shouldered dove



Malawoyirrek - Anbinnik Forest - Site KAMAA - Camera RC09, RC41, RC43, RW21, RW57

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2013-08-18 8:41:32 AM M 1/3

22°C



White-necked heron - *Naburra*

RW21
2013-08-20 7:23:24 PM M 1/3



White ibis

RW21
2013-09-27 5:20:44 AM M 1/3

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22°C



Dingos

RW21



Euro - Kalkberd

RW21

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Rocky area half way Milerrelerre to Mirelk - Site KAMAB - Camera RC11, RC19, RW79, RW83

Species List: Black wallaroo (male) - *Barrk*
 Chestnut-quilled rock pigeon - *Doddoro*
 Feral Cat



Rocky area half way Milerrelerre to Mirelk - Site KAMAB - Camera RC11, RC19,
RW79, RW83

2013-09-05 10:41:01 PM M 2/3

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RW79

RECONYX

Feral cat

Rocky area half way Milerrelerre to Mirelk - Site KAMAB - Camera RC11, RC19, RW79, RW83



Rion Rockwallaby



Black wallaroo (female) - Djukerre

Rocky area half way Milerrelerre to Mirelk - Site KAMAB - Camera RC11, RC19,
RW79, RW83

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RW79

RECONYX

Black wallaroo – *Barrk* (male)
and *Djukerre* (female)

Rocky area half way Milerrelerre to Mirelk - Site KAMAB - Camera RC11, RC19,
RW79, RW83

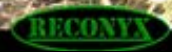
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28°C



RW79

Chestnut-quilled rock pigeon - *Doddoro*



Kunbandjak - White gum flat downstream from Milerrelerre - Site KAMAC – Camera RC29, RW18, RW80

Species List: Agile wallaby - *Kornobolo*

Pig

Dingo - *Dalkken*

Magpie lark - *Borliblib*

Buffalo - *Nganabbaru*

Crow - *Wak*



Rarrekaldeng - Site KAMAD - Camera RC24, RC30, RC60, RW22, RW55

Species List:

Rock rat	Wedge-tailed eagle
Rufous night heron - <i>Kawk</i>	Crow - <i>Wak</i>
White-bellied sea eagle	Cane toad

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27°C



Rock rat

RC60



Rarrekaldeng - Site KAMAD - Camera RC24, RC30, RC60, RW22, RW55



Rarrekaldeng - Site KAMAD - Camera RC24, RC30, RC60, RW22, RW55

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34°C



White-bellied sea eagle

RW22



Rarrekaldeng - Site KAMAD - Camera RC24, RC30, RC60, RW22, RW55



Rarrekaldeng - Site KAMAD - Camera RC24, RC30, RC60, RW22, RW55



Rocky Site behind Milerrelerre - KAMAE - Cameras RW32, RW43, W17, W21, W22

Species List: Black wallaroo - *Barrk*

Sandstone shrike-thrush - *Yukyuk*

Feral cat

Crow - *Wak*

2013-08-26 6:59:12 PM M 3/3

31°C



Feral cat

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Rocky Site behind Milerreleerre - KAMAF - Camera RW33, RW42, W13, W26, W28

Species List: Black wallaroo - *Barrk* Peaceful dove - *Korlobok*
Euro - *Kalkberd* Crow - *Wak*
Feral Cat Twilight monitor - *Bongka*

2013-09-14 7:19:36 PM M 1/3

32°C



Feral cat

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Rocky Site behind Milerrelerre - KAMAF - Camera RW33, RW42, W13, W26, W28



Rocky Site behind Milerrelerre - KAMAF - Camera RW33, RW42, W13, W26, W28





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