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Academic Qualifications:

Advanced Herpetological Techniques course – TAFE Biological Sciences. 1987-1988.

Employment and Experience:

- Extensive herpetological fieldwork mainly in New South Wales for research into books.
- Assistant Instructor Advanced Herp. Techniques course 1989-1992.
- Ten year population survey of the lizard *Eulamprus quoyii*.
- Contract work for Australian Museum Business Services assisting in the review of Fauna Impact Statements (reptiles) prepared for NSW State Forests in the Urbenville, Casino and Walcha/Nundle management areas.
- Reptile/amphibian survey work in various regions of NSW. 1995-present.
- Co-ordinator of a reptile/amphibian survey of Mutawintji National Park for NPWS by the Australian Herpetological Society and the South Australian Herpetology Group during 1994-1996.
- Co-ordinator of a reptile/amphibian survey of Sturt National Park for NPWS by the Australian Museum and the Australian Herpetological Society during 1997-2000.
- Co-ordinator of a reptile/amphibian survey of Peery National Park for NPWS by the Australian Museum and the Australian Herpetological Society during 2001-2003.
- Co-ordinator of a reptile/amphibian survey of Nocoleche Nature Reserve for NPWS by the Australian Museum and the Australian Herpetological Society during 2003-2004.
- Collection of a series of targeted reptile species on the NSW north-western slopes for the Evolutionary Biology Unit at the Australian Museum, 1997-1998.
- With Prof. Mats Olsson worked on a comparison of reptile species diversity at a 1080 baited area (Yathong Nature Reserve) and a non-baited area. 1999-2001.
- Assisted in a targeted species survey (*Anomalopus mackayi*) on the McIntyre flood plains 1998.
- Carried out surveys for NPWS to assess the distribution of the threatened skink *Egernia margaretae* in New South Wales 2000-2001.
- Editor of the journal Herpetofauna, 1973-2001.
- Carried out reptile diversity surveys with Charles Sturt University for the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Authority at 33 sites in the Riverina region, 2003.

- Impact of inundation of Shannon Creek on threatened reptile species, for Clarence Valley & Coffs Harbour Regional Water Supply Project, 2004.
- Worked for the North Queensland Gas Pipeline Alliance on the gas pipeline from Moranbah to Townsville (392km) from April to August 2004 as fauna officer. This entailed removing fauna that had fallen into the open trench and relocating at a distance from the trench. Almost 3500 animals were successfully removed and relocated.
- Worked on the Origin Energy Gas Pipeline from Spring Gully to Wallumbilla (97km) from November 2004 to January 2005 as fauna officer. Over 1000 animals were successfully removed and relocated.
- Work for University of Wollongong (Prof M. Olsson) on Painted dragons and Mallee dragons in central western NSW 2004-2005.
- Worked on the Sunwater Water pipeline from the Burdekin River to Moranbah (218km) from March to November 2006. Almost 1800 animals were successfully removed and relocated

Committees and Honorary positions:

- President of the Australian Herpetological Society 1975-1977 and 1995-1998.
- Member of the joint Australian Herpetological Society/Reptile Keepers Association/ NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service working party, revising reptile protection and keeping legislation, 1986-1997, which resulted in the introduction of a reptile keeping system in NSW in 1997.
- Member of the Native Animal Keepers Consultative Committee set up by NPWS to advise the Service and the Minister on matters relating to the keeping of native animals. 1999-present.

Professional Affiliations.

- Associate The Australian Museum.
- Member Australian Society of Herpetologists
- Member Royal Zoological Society of NSW
- Member Ecological Consultants Association NSW

Publications

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