



National Parks Association
of Queensland Inc.

Members' Meeting

Brisbane Square Library

31 March 2026

Recent Achievements

- Various new protected areas and additions
- Secured 'no further logging' in SEQ State forests
- Extension of our Parks Connect Program Grant (\$445,000 over 2 years)
- Monthly Parks Connect events and Park Bioblitz
- New Councillors appointed in October
- New Strategic Plan (2026-2028) and 2026 Business Plan
- Bi-monthly meeting with QPWS&P Executive
- 53 Parks Rangers employed (150 ranger commitment)
- Submission to upcoming State Budget

A major milestone for Ranger recruitment...



**53 RANGERS APPOINTED
& MORE
TO COME**



More than 50 Rangers have been appointed under the Crisafulli Government's More Rangers, Better Neighbours program.





PARKS CONNECT

PARK OF THE MONTH **JUNIOR RANGERS**
VOLUNTEER RANGERS **CADET RANGERS**
CAMPGROUND HOSTS

Parks Connect: Park of the Month BioBlitzes

About

Members 5

Get involved with citizen science and record the species diversity of the National Parks and Conservation Parks that feature as NPAQ Parks Connect's Park of the Month!

Each month, we celebrate a protected area throughout South East Queensland and invite

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[Project Journal](#)

MARCH BIOBLITZ

Grab your camera or phone and get set to immortalise the faunal, floral and fungal diversity of beautiful Samford Conservation Park during March 2026.

[Join the Project on iNaturalist!](#)

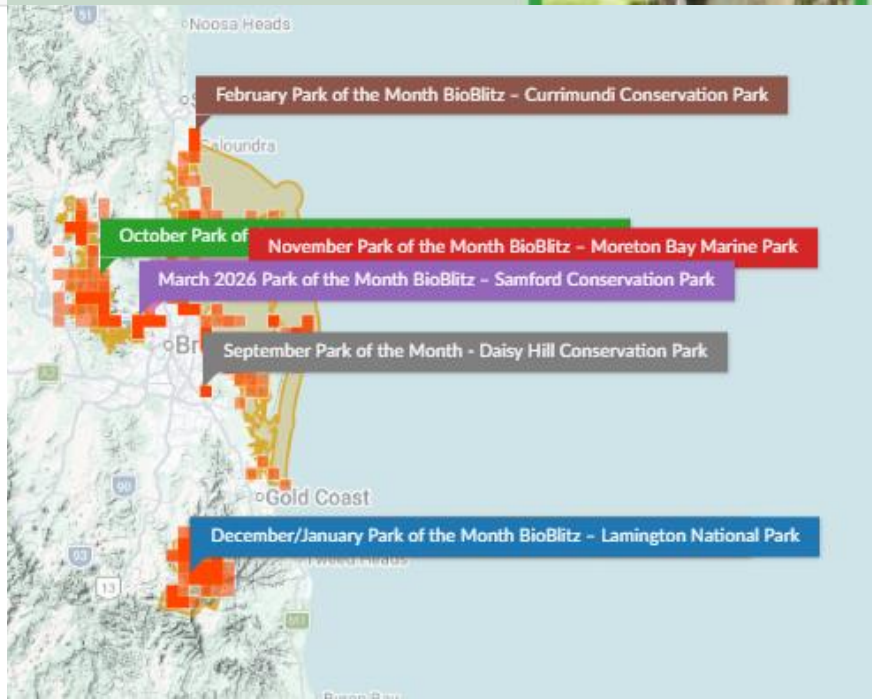
March Park of the Month



Overview	7,391 OBSERVATIONS	2,167 SPECIES	935 IDENTIFIERS	429 OBSERVERS	Stats
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Projects Sort By: **Observations** | Species | Observers Sort: **Count Descending** ▾

- 4,702**
December/January Park of the Month BioBlitz - Lamington National Park
- 2,044**
December Park of the Month BioBlitz - Lamington National Park
- 1,128**
October Park of the Month BioBlitz - D'Aguilar National Park
- 1,091**
November Park of the Month BioBlitz - Moreton Bay Marine Park
- 187**
March 2026 Park of the Month BioBlitz - Samford Conservation Park
- 118**
February Park of the Month BioBlitz - Currimundi Conservation Park
- 94**
August Park of the Month - Bunyaville Conservation Park
- 71**
September Park of the Month - Daisy Hill Conservation Park



2026/27 Budget Submission



An additional \$400M over 4 years to continue to deliver Queensland's Protected Area Strategy 2020-2030

- \$250M to acquire land to add to Queensland's protected area estate (as national parks and/or conservation parks)
- \$96M to employ a further 150 park rangers to enhance management and public safety in Queensland's protected area estate (at \$160,000pa per ranger position)
- \$40M to support additional park management infrastructure (walking trails, visitor facilities, accessibility measures etc.) and associated maintenance costs
- \$10M to support the effective transition of State forests in South East Queensland into Queensland's protected area estate
- \$4M to enhance community engagement in Queensland's protected area estate



CONNECT & PROTECT

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OUR VISION

A world-class network of national parks and other protected areas across Queensland in which nature thrives

OUR MISSION

To champion the preservation, expansion, effective management and appreciation of Queensland's national parks and other protected areas, and to support broader nature conservation and connection in Queensland

OUR UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

Brisbane 2032 presents a once-in-a-generation opportunity to strengthen Queensland's national parks and other protected areas and advance our mission

OUR STRATEGIC PILLARS

Financial Sustainability & Capability

Influence & Advocacy

Brand, Profile & Public Relevance

Protected Area Outcomes

Strategic Partnerships & Collaboration

OUR CORE VALUES

Integrity

Respect

Credibility

Collaboration

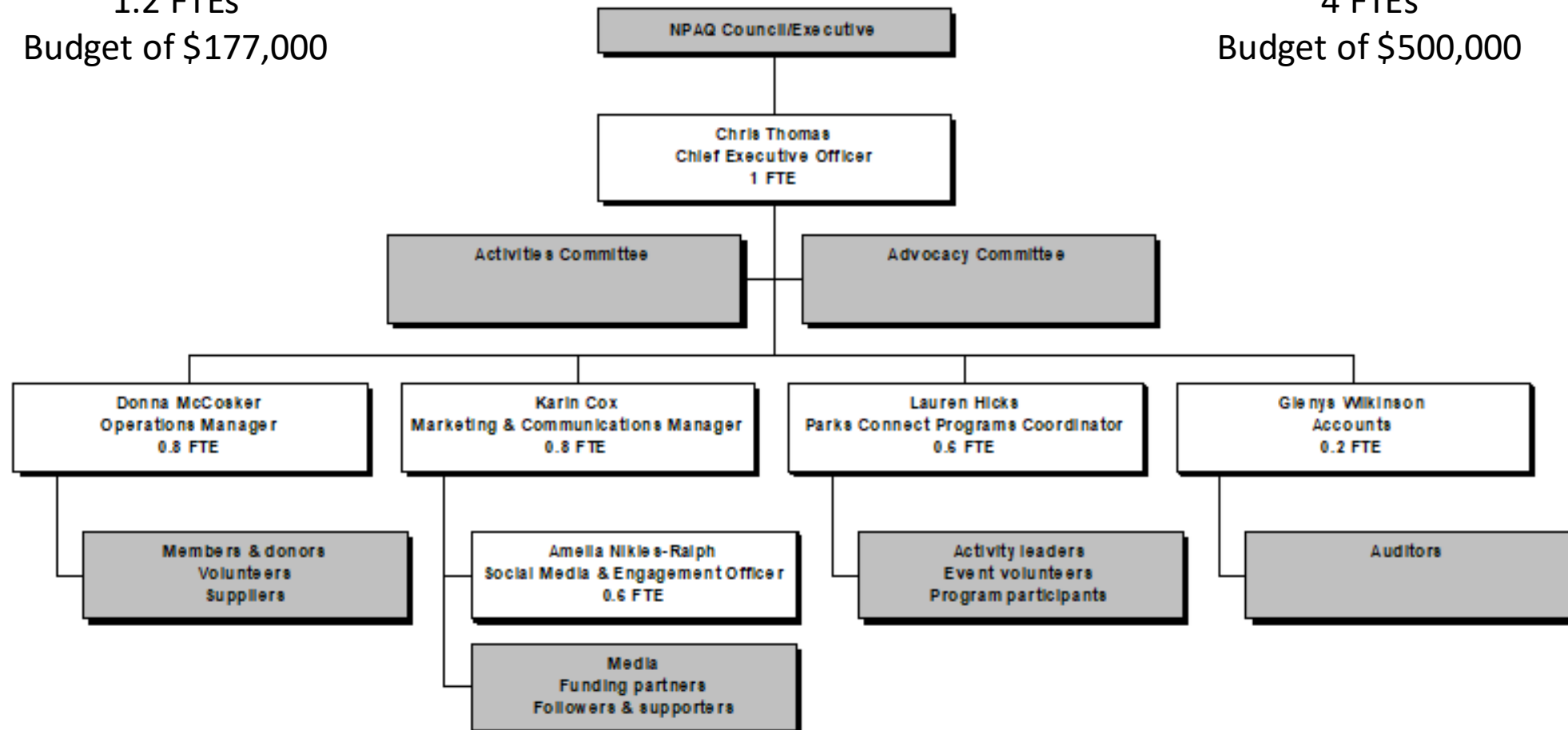
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NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND INC.

As of November 2025

2022
1.2 FTEs
Budget of \$177,000

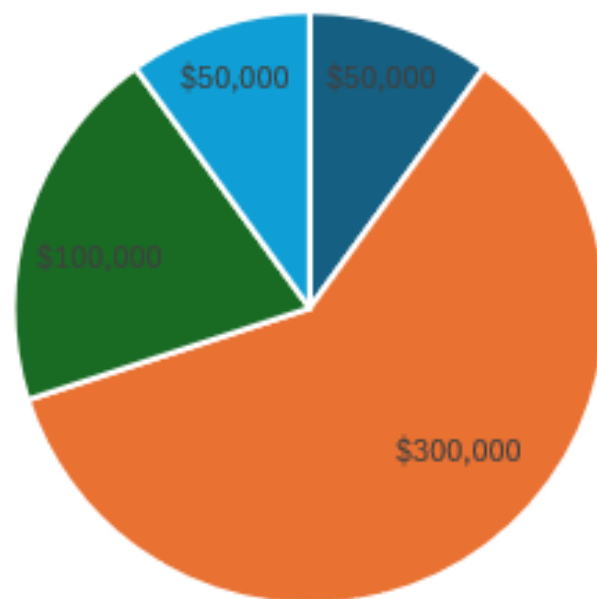
2026
4 FTEs
Budget of \$500,000



Revenue Category	2025/26 Target	End February 2026 2025/26 YTD	67% %	Forecast	%
Corporate Sponsorship	\$50,000	\$5,008	10%	\$7,512	15%
Grants	\$300,000	\$160,304	53%	\$240,456	80%
Investment Income & Asset Appreciation	\$100,000	\$77,631	78%	\$116,447	116%
Member Contribution, Donations & Bequests	\$50,000	\$25,332	51%	\$37,998	76%
TOTAL (based on forecast expenses)	\$500,000	\$268,275	54%	\$402,413	80%

Sum of 2025/26 Target

Revenue Target for 2025/26



Revenue Category

- Corporate Sponsorship
- Grants
- Investment Income & Asset Appreciation
- Member Contribution, Donations & Bequests

2026 Business Priorities

- Establish a Fundraising Committee to help grow our revenue
- Advance the Tourism and Conservation Alliance and the Protect Beautiful Queensland Alliance
- Collaborate with the Queensland Ranger Association, Australian Workers Union and Friends of Parks Queensland
- Explore options for achieving Minister's 1% PA growth target (additional 1.88M hectares by Oct 2028)
- Explore options for better management of World Heritage Areas and Recreation Management Areas
- Identify opportunities for ecotourism and recreation in SEQ state forests, avoiding areas of high conservation
- Monitor Minister's commitment to 150 additional park rangers
- Continue Junior, Cadet and Volunteer Ranger sub-programs
- Continue Park of the Month sub-program
- Help to develop a proposal for a Ranger Academy to better support ranger recruitment, training and professional development

