



ACSA Quarterly Newsletter
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2023 has been a busy year for ACSA, and we are very grateful for your support in helping to make the year a rich and eventful one! We hope you have a very happy and safe holiday season.

Please note that we will be unstaffed from 21 December 2023 until 15 January 2024, so only urgent enquiries will be responded to during this period. You are welcome to email or leave a message and we will get back to you in January.

Fantastic CitSciOz23 Conference!



Costa Georgiadis entertaining the crowd with his keynote, which he illustrated using his collection of citizen science t-shirts.

What a way to end the year, with an epic meeting of the minds at our national citizen science conference, CitSciOz23 on the Sunshine Coast between 20-24 November 2023! The conference would not have been such a roaring success without the attendees bringing and sharing their passion, knowledge, and curiosity. Thank you to every one of our conference attendees for your contributions to the event!

If you couldn't make this event, or you would like to reminisce, you can find information on <u>our website</u> about a wide range of activities and speakers who presented. Keynotes and a selection of broader presentations will be uploaded to YouTube - with access provided to registered conference delegates for the first six months before opening up to the public. Feel free to subscribe to the <u>ACSA channel</u>, so you don't miss a thing! Additionally, you can catch attendees sharing their personal stories and experiences by listening to podcasts generously created by <u>The Citizen Science Show</u> team during the conference.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next ACSA conference in 2025!



Professor Kerrie Wilson, the incoming Queensland Chief Scientist, reflected on several powerful examples of citizen science underway in Queensland.



Nadiah Roslan introduced FrogID, a frog call identification app, before taking participants on a night walk at the Mooloolah River Landcare facility to listen out for frog songs.

Thank you to our conference sponsors

The CitSciOz23 conference would not have been possible without the generosity of our sponsors, so we give a heartfelt thank you to the following Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Supporter sponsors:

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Celebrate ACSA Community Achievements!



We are delighted to share an overview of community achievements over the 2022-2023 Financial Year in our ACSA Annual Report! The report features opportunities we provided our members, new partnerships forged, and much more. You can also read about the diverse triumphs of our Regional Chapters in South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia, and Queensland! As we look forward, we continue to explore ways to nurture the formation of Chapters in additional states and territories as well.

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We could not do any of this without the support of volunteers, members, and broader supporters like you, so thank you to all who have helped our community thrive!

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