

Annual Report 2022 2023



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Acknowledgement

Global Landcare acknowledges and thanks the First Peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands in which we meet, collaborate and work.

We acknowledge elders past, present and emerging in our communities across the globe.



Ikamiro Community Landcare Association

Global Landcare Profile

Global Landcare (GL) is a not-for-profit community group which spreads the values and practices of Landcare across the globe.

Landcare's goal is to support and enable global efforts to mitigate the impacts of climate change, to enhance biodiversity and to help improve food security. We are a vital part of community recovery efforts post-disaster.

Our Purpose

To encourage globally, adoption of the Landcare approach to the management of the natural environment and enhancement of livelihoods, by supporting community owned and led approaches to the protection and sustainable management of land, water and biodiversity resources.

By empowering communities, Landcare promotes the transfer of skills and knowledge, better use of natural resources, and collaborative involvement in land and water management and restoration.

Our goal

Through Global Landcare's actions we seek to use our collective experience to help people around the globe manage their land and water resources more sustainably.

- ➤ We promote Landcare to national and international organisations as a sustainable way to manage natural resources for food production and resource conservation.
- ➤ We support local adoption and practice of Landcare approaches in communities globally.
- ➤ We train participants across the globe in Landcare principles and practices.
- > We make connections between people and projects worldwide.







Forman Christian College, Central Coffee Farmers Association, Development Path for Community Transformation

A Message from the Chair

2022-23 has been somewhat of a roller coaster for Global Landcare where much has been achieved but we have lost some significant friends along the way.

At last we were able to launch the collected papers from the first Global Landcare Conference in Nanzan in 2017 *Global resilience through local self-reliance: The Landcare model*_



Monograph. A formal launch in Sydney brought together, for the first time, some of our Board members with many of our partners. It was a joyous occasion! This collection and collation has been generously financed by ACIAR – Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research. We were then able to share this with our broader Australian Landcare audience at the National Landcare Conference in Sydney. Together with the papers we presented, Global Landcare has arrived!

But then in December and January, we lost two of significant members, Horrie Poussard and Francis Steyn. Horrie was the man who 'named Landcare' and a founding member of Australian Landcare International (and therefore Global Landcare). Francis Steyn was a long time friend from South Africa and instrumental in much of early Landcare in Africa.

In March the long overdue Landcare/agroforestry exchange to Japan took place with thanks to the Australia Japan Foundation and led by Rob And Kaz. This trip has greatly benefitted our connections to Japanese Landcare and opened up further opportunities to explore using the Landcare approach for their existing community groups.

Our partnership with RMIT and ACIAR in Fiji was formalised and our Board member Clinton Muller is integral to the project's development. As the project continues to engage the local groups and with a true grass-roots approach, the role of Global Landcare in future activities will become apparent.

Over the last 12 months we have continued to build our understanding of the challenges of operationalising our strategic vision under its 4 pillars: Capacity Building and Training, Communications and Advocacy, Partnerships, Networks and Regional Support plus Fundraising and Project Support. We are learning through experience the challenges of achieving this with a fully volunteer board of Directors working across widely divergent time-zones. Importantly, our Board members are bringing local and regional projects and partnerships to the table and providing oversight/ground truthing to enquiries from organisations in their regions.

The ALI Fund, our (Australian jurisdiction deductible gift recipient) Public Fund and directed by our Global Landcare Program priorities, continues to be the vehicle through which we raise funds from the public and through which we can support projects with partner organisations around the world.

We continue to strive to reward the trust placed in us by our donors in managing their gifts for the greater good. Through the ALI Fund, we ran one Small Grants Program distributing funds to support 14 organisations across Zimbabwe, Uganda and Pakistan for projects focussed on soil, agroforestry, gardens, education, revegetation and water conservation. Additionally, we have been pleased with the continuing support from Beyond Subsistence and the Kain Foundation to several initiatives with school woodlots and junior Landcare. These partnerships continue to grow and strengthen.

Global Landcare is gearing up to hold a second Global Landcare Conference - potentially in summer of 2024 2025 with the purpose of continuing to encourage and support practical experienced-based learning, community dialogue and engagement, and academic research.

We are pleased to have been approached by a renewed Landcare Europe and we enjoyed hosting members from Global Landscape Stewards in USA – an interesting project with many shared goals. We look forward to working more closely with these and other new partners in the future.

Through 2022-2023 our eighteen Global Landcare board members drawn from eight countries have contributed their experience and knowledge generously to help support and strengthen our program. In March, Belinda Brendan retired from the Board and the ALI Fund committee. Thank you for all you did Belinda. I would like to thank all the Board members for their continued support, strategic input and guidance throughout the year.

I acknowledge and thank every member and supporter for their contributions.

Yours in Landcare and Subsidiarity!





Landscape Stewardship Network visit to Melbourne Oct 2022 with Andrea and

Global Landcare Board

The difference that matters

The Global Landcare Board draws from a highly experienced and knowledgeable group of people from around the globe bringing their years of experience from Landcare and a rich depth and spread of experience from around the globe in their own countries and regions. Additionally these people also bring personal networks which enable Global Landcare to leverage strategic connections.

The caliber of our volunteer Board members means Global Landcare can draw on a significant diversity of 'landcare' exposure in addition to skills in governance, strategic planning, IT, various landcare activities, communications, training, program development and implementation, local, state and international organisations and programs You can read more about our team at globallandcare.org/the-board/

It is estimated the Board members contributed more than 1000 hours of professional work to Global Landcare in the period 2022-2023.

Chairperson - Andrea Mason, Australia	Vice-Chair - Rob Youl OAM, Australia
Secretary - Darryl Ebenezer, Australia	Treasurer - Phil Horner, Australia
Kazuki Kagohashi, Japan	Joy Tukahirwa, Uganda
Clinton Muller, Australia	Mieke Bourne Ochieng, Kenya
Nick Edgar, New Zealand	Solomoni Q. Nagaunavou, Fiji
Awadh Chemangei, Uganda	Shaikh Tanveer Hossain, Bangladesh
Dennis Garrity, Kenya	Simon Nyanga, Uganda
Liddy Nevile, Australia	Pamela Greet, Australia
Mubarak Yaqub, Pakistan	Belinda Brennan, Australia retired March 2023



Governance and Strategy

The Global Landcare Inc Strategic Plan 2021 - 2026 remains a working document. See the summary below or for our full strategy go to globallandcare.org/strategy-2021-2026/

For effective governance, we operate in 6 key areas including the four pillars of our strategy:

- 1. Governance
- 2. Global Landcare Program
- 3. Capacity Building and Training
- 4. Communications and Advocacy
- 5. Partnerships, Networks and Regional Support
- 6. Fundraising and Project Support

Meetings

The Global Landcare Board meets bimonthly via Zoom. The global spread of our Board and costs of travel makes it very difficult to plan any face-to-face meetings however it was a great pleasure for some of us to be able to meet in Sydney, August 2022, for the Landcare conference and book launch with our partners.



Global Landcare Program

Global Landcare Incorporated has a Global Landcare Program that is focused around three core project streams which we aim to allocate funding from The ALI Fund.

The ALI Fund is administered as an entirely separate entity by the ALI Fund Committee of Management. This committee of six is appointed by GL, with a majority of members satisfying the Australian Taxation Office's "Degree of Responsibility" criteria: Rob Youl (Chair), Belinda Brennan, Daryl Ebenezer, Clinton Muller, Phil Horner and Bridget Jonker of New Zealand Landcare Trust.

The ALI Fund committee meets at least annually to review funding applications as received, through a prioritisation matrix, with funds allocated competitively based on available funds. Projects are assessed on essential and desirable criteria including:

- Applicants must be able to show a history of local, community-based activity around the protection of natural resources and/or sustainable production;
- Community groups eligible for funding must be willing to carry out the project within 12 months of receipt of the grant and provide a written report, including photos, to The ALI Fund; and
- Applicants must identify a local organisation in their area (NGO, Govt dept, Church group, school, research organisation, farming collective, etc) or person accepted by Global Landcare that will act to oversee the funding flow and outcomes of the project.

1. Small grants program

Provision of \$AUD 500 grants to support international Landcare activities including:

- on-ground works (such as tree planting, agricultural improvements, forest protection, soil conservation);
- infrastructure such as local nursery, garden plots, water systems, protective shade and fencing:
- capacity building such as training courses, visits to other Landcare groups; and
- education on Landcare issues at primary and secondary level.

2. Landcare capacity building program

Support for skills and training development for international Landcare partners including training courses, conferences and workshops.

3. International Landcare Focus Program

The Global Landcare Board undertakes an annual review of its priority programs or initiatives to support. This is a strategic approach to ensure a coordinated and concerted effort to targeted Landcare programs.

In 2022/2023, the priorities for the Global Landcare Program included:

- Landcare in Uganda Junior Landcare Program
- School Woodlot Project, Uganda
- Agroforestry and support for Landcare in Japan
- Landcare an agricultural extension and community development model at district and national scale in Fiji

Donors/Supporters July 2022 - June 2023

Thank you to all the people and organisations who have donated or contributed funding to Global Landcare Program and The ALI Fund in 2022/23 totaling \$71,797.00.

AUD \$183,760

22 Countries and over 124 projects

(cumulative)

Global Landcare Program Small Grants Summary - June 2023

The ALI Fund ran one open grants program this financial year. Sixteen applications were received and fourteen were successfully funded for the 2023 round of the Small Grants Program. Projects funded included:

Zimbabwe	Zimconserve. Grafting fruit trees for schools
Pakistan	Lahore - Establish 10 rooftop gardens for kitchen produce
	Faisalabad – Establish a central landcare farmers nursery
Uganda	Ikamiro Community Landcare. Soil conservation program
	Global Youth Foundation. Produce & distribute orchard
	seedlings
	Central Coffee Farmers. Develop youth coffee farmers
	Otangula village. Develop nursery program and community
	education around ecosystem degradation
	Bushika Cooperative I. Tree and coffee nursey and promote
	carbon sequestration
	Bwindi Support Project. Community watering system
	Kapchorwa Landcare. Tuikat education - agroforestry, soil &
	water conservation
	FITS Uganda. Kanyankwanzi conservation farming practices
	Mukongoro village. Tree planting and education
	Kapchorwa Landcare. Kaminy education - agroforestry, soil
	& water conservation
	Stretch Hands Uganda. Kabale district nurseries at schools
	and health centres.





Bwindi Orphanage, and Stretch Hands, Uganda

School Woodlot Project, Uganda

Kabale Agroforestry Network (KAN) in partnership with Beyond Subsistence and Global Landcare is implementing a project under the Schools Plantation Grant Program. The project which is in its initial stages aims at supporting at least 5 schools in Kabale in Uganda to establish plantation woodlots in order to reduce their fuel wood deficits but also other needs such as poles, stakes, timber and many others. The project is also expected to equip the pupils, students, and teachers with knowledge and skills which can be used in their after school life and can be transferred to their family farms. Thr program is now well advanced and will be evaluated in the coming year.





Junior Landcare Program, Uganda

Education for Sustainable Development

self-reliant

This project to deliver Junior Landcare into Uganda was developed in partnership with Uganda Landcare Network has been extended into new schools with a substantial donation from the Kain Foundation.



The Junior Landcare Project creates economic opportunity for children, youth and community through the education and practice of sustainable land and water management. The project focuses on school community gardens and land cultivation, water and soil preservation, education for children using the environment and training for youth and community. These initiatives teach children, youth

and community how to utilise the land as a sustainable food and income source to become



Global resilience through local self-reliance: The Landcare model _ Monograph

The new Monograph showcases practical capacity building in action globally – building livelihoods, restoring landscapes, taking practical action on climate change. It contains the papers from the 2017 Nagoya Landcare Conference at Nanzan University in partnership with Australian Landcare International and potently demonstrates community partnership in action. An important element is the tribute to Professor Michael Seigel originally from regional Victoria (a great friend of Global Landcare and instigator of the Nagoya Conference) who believed passionately in subsidiarity and the power of partnerships to build momentum for and achieve change.



The launch was held in Sydney in August 2022. You can get a copy of the book from https://www.aciar.gov.au/publication/MN219-lessons-landcare



Pictured Left: Andrew Campbell CEO ACIAR, Andrea Mason Chair Global Landcare and Prof Allan Dale, JCU launched the book in Sydney.

National Landcare Conference Sydney

The National Landcare Conference took place in August, 2023 in Sydney. Global Landcare was well represented.

We were very excited to have been able to facilitate 3 international delegates thanks to the generosity of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR): Global Landcare Board member Solomoni Q. Nagaunavou joined us for our first face to face event since forming; fellow Fijian, Aloesi Dakuidrekekti-Hickes (Landcare Project Manager at the College of Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry, Fiji National University); and Leo Soares from Ermera in Timor-Leste (Agroforestry Technical Adviser & Project Designer for the Institutu Matadalan Integradu-IMI).

GL Board members Dr Nick Edgar from New Zealand NZ Landcare Trust and Dr Kazuki Kagohashi from Nanzan University Japan also attended the conference.



Pictured L to R: Darryl Ebenezer GL, Leo Soares Timor-Leste, Solo Nagaunavou GL, Lucy ACIAR, Andrea Mason GL, Aloesi Dakuidreketi-Hickes Fiji, Cherie Clare ACIAR and Anne Shangrila Y. Fuentes Philippines

Global Landcare Panel

Prof. Andrew Campbell, Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) was joined by Dr Mary Johnson, RMIT University; Anne "Shang" Fuentes, University of the Philippines Mindanao; Clinton Muller, RMIT University; Andrea Mason, Global Landcare; and Rob Youl, Global Landcare to discuss *Building Global Sustainability Through Local Self-Reliance – Lessons From Landcare*.

Big Bang, Small Bucks - Tackling Climate Change Globally On a Tiny Budget

Global Landcare Board member Dr Pamela Greet

This presentation reviewed the genesis of the Australian Landcare International Fund, Global Landcare with its annual program of micro grants up to \$A 500, and how it has been able to deliver big dividends with small monetary investment. The leverage is the connection, the collaboration and the community.

LandCare Changing the Future of Farming in the Western Cape, South Africa

Francis Steyn, Western Cape South Africa

Francis' presentation explored the Western Cape's many success stories, including examples of farmers protecting their water, their soil and their biodiversity while becoming more productive – the cornerstone of LandCare.

Australia-Japan Foundation Funding

In 2018 DFAT's Australia-Japan Foundation awarded funds for a small group of Australian farmer-foresters to go to Japan for two weeks to meet Japanese landowners, foresters, contractors and communities to discuss, ideally in the field, matters of mutual value. This included promoting Landcare, continuing the work of the late Prof Michael Seigel.



Over 12 days in late March 2023 Molly Marshall, agriforester, Private Forests Tasmania, Jacinta Douglas and Sharlee Dunolly-Lee, Djaara community, Bendigo, Rowan Reid and Andrew Stewart, Otway Agroforestry Network, and Rob Youl OAM, deputy chair, Global Landcare joined Associate Professor Kazuki Kagohashi, chair of Landcare Japan to traversed central Honshu.

Broadly, the group sought to learn how forestry on private land is managed in rural Japan, and whether the Australian Landcare experience might help revitalise these regions. The travellers began to understand the complexities and opportunities that Japan's private forestry sector faces, and to appreciate something of the impressive traditional and contemporary philosophies, skills, diligence and exactness that characterise Japanese life and attitudes. Although Japan probably has as many Landcare-type groups as Australia, their activities may not be as well coordinated as in this country.

The group interacted with an array of land managers, foresters, farmers, entrepreneurs, sawmillers and government officials, generally concentrating on privately owned land.



Landcare - an agricultural extension and community development model at district and national scale in Fiji

The Landcare; an agricultural extension and community development model at national district scale in Fiji is funded by the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR). The research project is to test whether a Landcare approach, using the LIFE model of improved extension, can be adapted from one country to another for sustainable outcomes. The focus is on collaborative partnerships that share learning, knowledge and skills on the process. This approach is in contrast to technology transfer extension methods.

The project is based on participatory action research principles, whereby reflexive learning is utilised by project participants including farmers, researchers, extension and trainers. The research project supports Fiji partners with the process and frameworks to develop their on-ground activities and capacity building initiatives. The actual content focus, location and partner engagement is self-determined by Fiji.

The tri-nation project is facilitated by RMIT University in Australia, with in-country teams from the Fijian Ministry of Agriculture, Fiji National University and farmer and community groups including Tei Tei Taveuni. Through the south-south relationship between Fiji and the Philippines strong partner country support has been provided by the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development, University of the Philippines Mindanao Foundation and the University of the Philippines Los Banos Foundation. In addition, further support is provided by the Australian community organisation, Global Landcare.

Further information regarding the project is <u>available here</u>.







Images from Landcare Taveuni FB























Feature Story

Bwindi Vulnerable and Orphan Children's Support

This project established a tapped water system form the main water source some distance to tanks closer to the vegetable gardens, chickens, domestic use and the community. This is part of their broader strategy including planting trees for environmental conservation, vegetables for the children's food, income and the community, chickens that are used for eggs, meat and income.

The orphanage partners with the indigenous Batwa people of the region and the Women's Empowerment Club. The water benefits 65 children, 30 households, 15 Batwa and 40 women.



Collaboration and Partnerships

We couldn't exist without our amazing partners.

- African Landcare Network,
- AusMed Pty Ltd
- Australia-Japan Foundation,
- Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR),
- > Beyond Subsistence,
- > Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade,
- > Global EverGreening Alliance,
- > Kain Foundation,
- > Landcare Australia Limited,
- ➤ Landcare Victoria Inc.,
- MCU Charitable Trust,

- National Landcare Network,
- Nanzan University,
- New Zealand Landcare Trust,
- Otway Agroforestry Network
- > Melbourne Water,
- Port Phillip Eco Centre,
- Private Forests Tasmania
- Queensland Water and Land Carers
- > RMIT University,
- Uganda Landcare Network,
- World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)

Memberships



Official membership support is still essential for Global Landcare to operate our Global Landcare Program and to maintain The ALI Fund with Deductible Gift Recipient status.

We appreciate the ongoing interest in our activity and the support we receive through our membership.

Communications

Global Landcare communicates over a number of platforms to our many members and those around the globe who follow and offer support to our programs. We publish electronic <u>newsletters</u> that are distributed to our 381 email subscribers, 728 <u>Facebook</u> followers and on <u>Twitter</u>. It is important to keep our members up to date with the projects we support and to raise funds for our Global Landcare Program.



What Next for Global Landcare?

Consolidating Organisational Partnerships

Global Landcare is now working on further developing stronger official partnerships with other organisations. We have been in conversation with the National Landcare Network, the peak representative body for community Landcare groups across Australia and works to provide a voice for Landcare at the national level. Together we will develop a Memorandum of Understanding that can be utilised with other partners in the future.

The next Global Landcare Conference

Early planning is beginning in the hope of hosting an international Landcare conference in 2024. It will be over seven years since the conference in Japan and there is much to celebrate. The conference will provide an opportunity for global Landcarers to share stories and network. It will also provide an opportunity for the Global Landcare Board to meet face to face!

Pakistan - Promotion of Organic Farming and establishment of Quality Kitchen Food Gardens

A project with practical training demonstrating Organic Farming practices among 100 Landcare Women Farmers in 4 villages I of Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Provinces, Pakistan. This model is one which we are hopeful will be replicable across the region.

Uganda Master Tree growers

Global Landcare has offered support to enable greater participation from neighbouring countries to attend the Uganda Landcare Network and Beyond Subsistence led Master Tree Growers forum in Uganda in Nov 2023.

Catchment Management Training in the Pacific

We are partnering with New Zealand Landcare Trust and building a proposal/business case for a catchment management training programme in the Pacific. It would use the foundations of a training programme being developed in New Zealand which can be adapted for delivery in two (2) countries in the Pacific.

Finances

Notes:

Global Landcare Incorporated, (ABN 77 081 537 703) and its public fund **The ALI Fund** has been entered into the Register of Environmental Organisations and is entitled under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 item 6.1.1 of subsection 300-55910 to receive tax deductible donations for the specific purpose of supporting the environmental objects/purposes of ALI.

Global Landcare Inc is a not-for-profit organisation, and any unspent overhead expenditure is reinvested back into The ALI Fund to support overseas communities adopt a Landcare approach.

Global Landcare Incorporated EOFY Financial Report 2022-23

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Phil Horner

Treasurer

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	Donations	ALI Fund			\$71,797.00	
	Grants	PPWCMA ACIAR NZL Book Launch		\$500.00 \$25,923.00 \$485.00		
		PFT		\$3,500.00	\$30,408.00	
	Interest	Bank Aust			\$30.16	
EXPENSE			TO	OTAL INCOME		\$102,235.16
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	Affiliations	Landcare Victoria 22/		\$5.00		
		Landcare Victoria 23/	24		\$5.00	
	Projects	Uganda Junior LC		\$43,875.00		
		Uganda Woodlot		\$6,435.00		
		Small Grants		\$7,500.00		
		Japan MTG Exchange		\$22,225.17	405 404 04	
		Conference		\$15,099.74	\$95,134.91	
	Fees	Bank Aust		\$329.00		
		Paypal		\$41.72		
		Bendigo Bank		\$0.00	\$370.72	
	Admin	Website Support		\$610.00	\$610.00	
		TOTAL EXPENSE				\$96,120.63
		SURPLUS/LOSS				\$6,114.53
BALANCES	;		30-Jun-22	Income	Expense	30-Jun-23
Operating Account (BB)			\$18,739.76	\$36,579.00	\$38,979.91	\$16,338.85
ALI Fund (Bank Aust)			\$28,205.79	\$71,248.34	\$63,755.00	\$35,699.13
PayPal			\$48.40	\$1,470.00	\$447.90	\$1,070.50
Total Funds			\$46,993.95	\$109,297.34	\$103,182.81	\$53,108.48
		NETT CHANGE				\$6,114.53

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