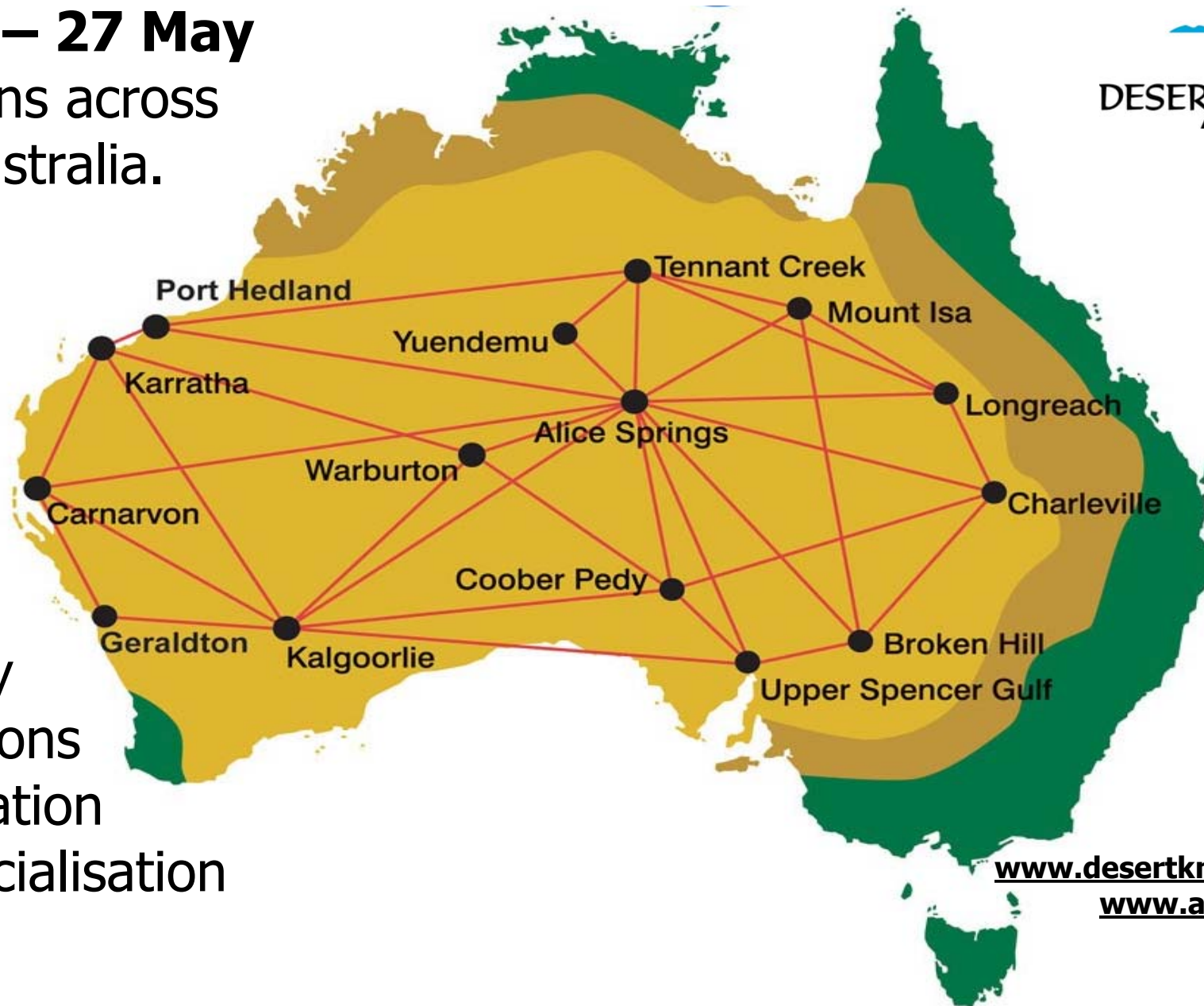


Desert Australia Innovation Festival

Part of the Australian Innovation Festival 2007

28 April – 27 May
at locations across
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Friday 27 April	Desert Knowledge Cooperative Research Centre	Outback Alive: a field day with a research edge	Beltana racecourse, Beltana, Flinders Ranges, SA	Outback Alive is a unique chance for tourism operators, pastoralists, equipment suppliers bush food growers and processors to explore with researchers how they can work together to make desert communities more sustainable. Includes demonstrations of hi- tech solutions for pastoralists being developed in the DK-CRC research project "21 st Century Pastoralism".	All day	Free	No	Jan Ferguson, 0401 719 882 or 08 8950 7162 Elke Wiesmann, 0427 009 240 or 08 89507142
Saturday 28 April	Desert Knowledge Australia COOLmob	DKA COOLmob Retrofit Day and Book Launch	Home Hardware Smith Street Alice Springs	DKA COOLmob is showcasing eco-friendly products and services available from businesses in Alice Springs. Featuring product demonstrations, and giveaways. Sign up as a member and gain discounts. DKA COOLmob will also be launching a booklet <i>Greenhouse friendly action in Central Australia</i> – a guide to simple and effective ways of lowering your energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.	9.00 – 1.00 (CST)	Free	No	Scott Large 08 8952 0299 coolcentre@ozemail.com.au
Saturday 28 April	Afghan Traders	Bush Products and Local Foods Presentations	Afghan Traders, Leichtodd Plaza off Todd Mall, Alice Springs	Spice up your Cooking! Tips, tastings, recipes and ideas on using local bush foods and wildfoods, and products that use bush foods, in your cooking. Afghan Traders is a member of the DKA Bush Products and Local Foods Network.	10.00 – 1.00 (CST)	Free	No	Rebecca Gooderham Afghan Traders 08 8955 5560
Various, during May	Kungkas Can Cook	Bush Foods Cooking Classes for School Groups	Kungkas Can Cook, Diarama Village, Alice Springs	School groups are invited to book in for bush foods cooking classes / demonstrations with Raylene Brown from Kungkas can Cook. Kungkas Can Cook is a member of the DKA Bush Products and Local Foods Network.	Various	TBA	Yes	Raylene Brown Kungkas Can Cook 08 8952 3102 / 0411 662 963 kungkascancook@bigpond.com

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Thursday 3 May	Desert Knowledge Australia Regional Video Network	Inter-regional Video linkup	Alice Springs Broken Hill Kalgoorlie Karatha Longreach Mt Isa Port Hedland Tennant Creek	Launch of the Desert Australia Innovation Festival at the 31 st Inter-Regional Video Network, a cross desert network of business, government, indigenous, research and education organisations.	1pm – 2.30pm (CST)	Free	Yes	Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au
Thursday 3 May	Desert Knowledge Australia	"Our Outback" Update Presented by members of the "Our Outback" Implementation Group	As above	Video conference (with additional telephone conference facilities). "Our Outback" was a cross border project bringing together the tourism organisations across desert Australia to identify opportunities for collaboration in tourism marketing and projects of "Our Outback". Hear what has been happening since the development of the Action Plan and the formation of the Implementation Group in February 2006. People who were involved in the consultations which developed the "Our Outback" Action Plan are particularly invited to attend.	1pm – 2.30pm (CST)	Free	Yes	Mike Crowe 08 8951 5219 mike.crowe@nt.gov.au or Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au
Thursday 10 May	Desert Knowledge Australia Mining Services Network	Mining Services Network Meeting	Alice Springs Broken Hill Kalgoorlie Karatha Longreach Mt Isa Port Augusta Port Hedland Tennant Creek	Telephone conference of the Mining Services Network. Businesses involved in supplying/servicing the mining industry are welcome to attend. Topic: Chasing Big Fish in the Desert: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on regional and cross border marketing opportunities • Getting the most value out of exhibiting. • Identifying potential collaborative bids. 	12 noon (CST)	Free	Yes	Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au

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Friday 11 May	Desert Knowledge Australia / Ngapartji Ngapartji / storyWall	Innovation Festival storyWall – celebrating who we are and what we think and feel.	Todd Mall, Alice Springs	A program of films to celebrate innovative projects and activities developed by Central Australians: including the development of the Desert People’s Centre, Deadly Mob, Ngapartji Ngapartji, and others.	7pm – 9pm	Free	No	Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au Tracy Spencer 0419 484 115
Tuesday 15 May	Desert Knowledge Australia Sustainable Buildings Industry Network	DKA Sustainable Buildings Industry Network Link Up	Various – available on registration:	Telephone conference and online meeting linking architects, building designers, builders, developers, building suppliers and businesses or organisations involved in renewable energies and water conservation across desert Australia.	12 noon (CST)	Free	Yes	Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au
Thursday 17 May	Desert Knowledge Australia Bush Products and Local Foods Network	DKA Bush Products and Local Foods Network Link up	Alice Springs Broken Hill Kalgoorlie-Boulder The Pilbara Longreach Mt Isa Port Augusta Tennant Creek	Telephone conference linking food growers, harvesters, wholesalers, producers, retailers, caterers, restaurateurs across desert Australia. Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on regional and cross border events and projects • Cross border marketing opportunities 	12 noon (CST)	Free	Yes	Joy Taylor 08 8951 5578 joy.taylor@nt.gov.au
Saturday 19 May	Centre for Sustainable Arid Towns (CSAT)	Greywater in the Centre	Andy McNeill Room, Alice Springs Town Council, Todd Street, Alice Springs	A training course for those planning a domestic greywater system. CSAT is a research and consulting enterprise in Alice Springs with a wide experience in water research and development. Participants will learn how to commission and operate their own greywater system. CSAT is a member of the DKA Sustainable Buildings Network	9am – 5pm	\$145	Yes	David de Vries 08 8952 6066 david@csat.com.au

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Friday 25 May 2007	Desert Knowledge Australia	Building Innovative Business Clusters in Desert and Tropical Australia	Centre for Appropriate Technology, Priest St, Alice Springs Cairns Region Economic Development Corporation, Cairns	A telephone conference to: - Establish linkages between Desert Knowledge Australia and the emerging Australian Tropical Knowledge and Expertise business clusters. - Share examples of successful innovation projects across the Desert and tropical based clusters. - Provide businesses with an example of successful clustering for global competitiveness. - Open up opportunities for collaboration across regions and specialisations.	12 noon – 2pm	Free	Yes	Mike Crowe Desert Knowledge Australia 08 89515219 mike.crowe@nt.gov.au Tracy Scott-Rimington CREDC tsr@credc.com.au 0409512166
TBA	Desert Knowledge Australia	Opening of the Business and Innovation Centre	Desert Knowledge Precinct, South Stuart Highway, Alice Springs	The Business and Innovation Centre is the first building at the Desert knowledge Precinct, providing a national hub for Desert Knowledge activities. It houses Desert Knowledge Australia and the Desert Knowledge Cooperative Research Centre.	TBA	Free	Yes	Jodie Summers 08 8951 5126 Jodie.summers@nt.gov.au