

Henry Stoetzel awarded the 2021 Graham Harrington Research Scholarship

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The successful candidate for the Graham Harrington Research Scholarship this year is Henry Stoetzel, a PhD Student at the University of Queensland.

Henry's project title is 'Autecology of an endangered Australian passerine: Carpentarian Grasswren (*Amytornis dorotheae*)'

The PhD project (2021-2023) is investigating various aspects of the endangered Carpentarian Grasswren's ecology and habitat requirements including how they persist in a fire-prone landscape. A number of birds in the species' most southerly sub-population will be studied intensively for three years to uncover aspects of their autecology. Additionally, some aspects of the project will involve studying Carpentarian Grasswren and its habitat across its entire distribution in QLD and NT. This will provide information critical to effective conservation management.

Henry's supervisors are James Watson, Steve Murphy, and our own Graham Harrington.

We look forward to hearing more from Henry about his important research project at a future meeting and in Contact Call.



Graham Harrington and Henry Stoetzel discussing Henry's grasswren research project. Image by Kayler Greenfield