



*Working with local people to achieve healthy,
natural ecosystems and sustainable
productive landuse.*

Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (SRCMA) is a locally based and managed organisation with a Board of local people, reporting directly to the NSW Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water.

The SRCMA Board, chaired by Pam Green, has six Board members—Howard Charles, John Kerin, Michael Muston, Kerry Pfeiffer, Mandi Stevenson and Iris White. Together they provide a range of experience, skills and knowledge in areas such as primary production, cultural heritage, biodiversity conservation, local government, Landcare, water management, business administration and governance. General Manager, Noel Kesby, heads up a small team of professional staff.

SRCMA works with local communities, farmers and other land managers, residential landholders, Landcare, government agencies, Aboriginal people, local government and industry to address the Natural Resource Issues facing the region.



The Southern Rivers catchment covers a 29,000 square kilometre area of south-east NSW. The SRCMA boundary runs from Stanwell Park in the north, to the Victorian border in the south, and includes the catchments of Shoalhaven, Snowy and Genoa Rivers to the west.

SRCMA has offices in Wollongong, Batemans Bay, Bega, Braidwood, Cooma and Nowra.

SRCMA Board Members (left to right): Michael Muston, Mandi Stevenson, John Kerrin, Kerry Pfeiffer, Pam Green, Howard Charles, Iris White.

Pam Green

(Chairperson)

Pam grew up in a rural north-east Victoria farming community and has a wide range of NRM and governance experience and knowledge. Pam served the Eurobodalla community as a Councillor and Mayor and is a trained a planning and development mediator. Pam champions balanced land use planning and supports sustainable agriculture, water sharing and coastal and marine management. A dedicated worker for a sustainable future through her skills and knowledge and involvement in many natural resource management advisory bodies, she has a passion for people, their place in the landscape and local community involvement in decision making.



Michael Muston

(Deputy Chairperson)

Michael holds a Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Sydney and is a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers Australia, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, a qualified commercial mediator through the Australian Commercial Disputes Centre and a Justice of the Peace. Michael has held a number of senior management positions in Sydney Water, was the managing director of the Illawarra Ports Authority and was general manager of Wingecarribee Shire Council. He is currently a consultant working in water cycle and environmental management and is an Honorary Principal Fellow in the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Wollongong.



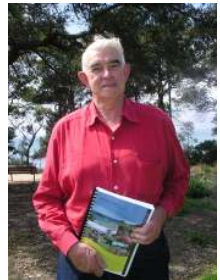
Howard Charles

Howard is from Nimmitabel in southern NSW where he runs beef and sheep on more than 1,500 hectares. He has held a number of advisory and advocacy positions. These include community representative on the South-East Waste Board (2001-02) and member of the Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute's Beef Industry Liaison Committee (1990-97), South-East Forests Regional Advisory Committee (1994-97), National Johne's Disease Co-ordinating Committee (1993-97) and NSW Higher Education Board Course Advisory Committee for Farm Secretarial Studies and Horse Management (1976-78). Howard has also been involved with the Maclaughlin River Landcare group, Royal Agricultural Society, Beef Improvement Association, Murray Grey Beef Cattle Society and NSW Farmers' Association.



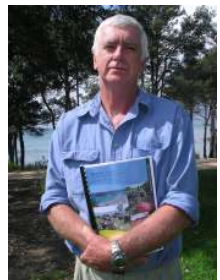
John Kerin

John holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of New England and a Bachelor of Economics from the Australian National University. He is a Fellow of the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society and the Academy of Technological Services and Engineering. John is a former Commonwealth Parliamentary Minister (1983-93) holding portfolios including Primary Industries and Energy. During this time he chaired the Murray Darling Basin Council and initiated the Ecological Development Process and Resource Assessment Commission. He chaired the Queensland Fisheries Management Authority, the Reef Management Advisory Committee, the Trawl Management Advisory Committee and NSW State Forests, and participated on the Board of the NSW Water Advisory Council and the Premier's Taskforce on Resource Sustainability and Farm Viability. He has been a farmer and agricultural economist with a long-term interest in research and natural resource policy.



Kerry Pfeiffer

Kerry is a business owner/manager and company director. Kerry was a general councillor with NSW Farmers' Association (1992-98) and chaired the Eden Region Forest Forum, Comprehensive Regional Assessment Process (1996-98) and Far South Coast Catchment Management Committee (1997-99). He was a member of the NSW State Catchment management Coordinating Committee (1997-98), NSW Landcare Working Group (1996-97), Native Vegetation Advisory Council (1998), NSW State Assessment Panel for the Natural Heritage Trust (1996-02) and NSW State Noxious Weeds Advisory Committee (1999-02). He was deputy chair of the South-East Catchment Management Board (2000-03) and convener of the Twofold Bay and Hinterland Management Planning Process (2001-02).



Mandi Stevenson

Mandi grew up in a farming family on the Monaro and has been farming there with her husband and four children for the past 30 years. Mandi and her husband recently moved to Merimbula as part of their farm succession plan. She has tertiary qualifications in Business, Science and Systems Agriculture and has had numerous roles in professional agribusiness. Mandi has worked as a Landcare co-ordinator, managed the Rural Lands Protection Board, and has represented the farming community on the NSW Farmers' General Council, Farming for the Future Area Committee, Snowy River Interstate Landcare Committee, Monaro Exceptional Circumstances Committee, Greening Australia Board and Monaro Rural Financial Counselling Service Committee. Mandi brings to SRCMA expertise in agriculture and corporate governance, a strong desire to promote holistic and biological farming and a passion to involve community in the decision making process.



Iris White

Iris is Manager Aboriginal Education and Training for the Illawarra Institute of TAFE NSW. She is a member of the Batemans Marine Park Advisory Committee and holds a degree in Adult Education, an Executive Certificate in Managerial Skills and an Associate Diploma in Adult Education (Aboriginal). Iris is a former chairperson of the Queanbeyan Regional Council of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission and has held a variety of management and training positions with Australian and NSW government institutions. She was part of the Aboriginal Working Group for the Kosciusko National Park Plan of Management and has participated in a number of regional consultative and advisory committees. Iris is also a Justice of the Peace.



