



Join the toad hunt!

Toad at the Hive observation event
February 2022

NSW is on the hunt for cane toads!

Cane toads love to eat bees so beekeepers can assist by looking out for them around backyard hives.

WHEN:

The event will run during February 2022.

In the summer months when cane toads are more active and the nights are warm, bees cluster at the front of hives for ventilation. At night cane toads will sit at the entrance of the hives and feast. Hives are particularly vulnerable if located near fresh water or near places where toads can shelter during the day.

Even if you don't keep bees you are welcome to participate in the event by looking in your backyard, open areas or local fresh waterways.

HOW:

1 Register at <https://forms.office.com/r/cBFQ1tzgMJ>

2 Download the free FeralScan reporting app to your mobile device.



FeralScan: a free resource to map sightings of pest animals. ToadScan is part of the FeralScan app and records toad sightings. See instructions on how to report using FeralScan.

Note: if you prefer not to use an app, you can report via the online form at

dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/sighting

or call the Invasive Species Unit **1800 680 244**



Photo: Cane toads (*Bufo Marinus*) attacking bees at the hive entrance, Queensland. Credit © Mark Payne-Gill naturepl.com

3 Observe your hives around 9.30pm or later as this is when toads search for food. Use a torch (a red beam is best as bees may fly at white light). Wear your protective gear if you're more comfortable.



4 Report it! If you see a toad, it is important **NOT** to kill it as it may be a native toad or frog. **Take a photo** and use the FeralScan app to report your sighting.

For more information...

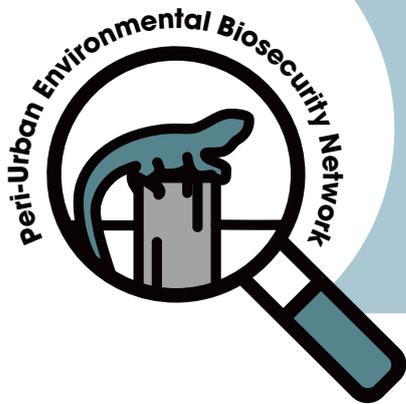
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EVERY BIT COUNTS.



How to report pests

to the Peri-urban Environmental Biosecurity Network using the FeralScan app

Reporting is easy

1 Download the free FeralScan app from the App Store or Google Play.



2 Look for these pests in your local area.



Cane toad

Red-eared slider turtle

Report it!

If you think you have found a cane toad, red-eared slider turtle or other invasive pest, report it!



Via the FeralScan app

Other ways to report:

OR report an unusual non-native animal via the online form dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/sighting

OR call the Invasive Species Unit 1800 680 244

OR email invasive.species@dpi.nsw.gov.au

3 Report your observation.

1. Take a photo on your phone

2. Open the FeralScan app

3. Record your sighting

a. Select 'Toad'.

Note: To report a red-eared slider turtle sighting select 'New Pests' on the FeralScan app and follow the instructions

b. Record sighting.

Note: you can either log in or 'Add data via your email address'.



4. Enter details about your sighting

a. The date and location will automatically appear

b. Answer all relevant questions and provide your email address

c. Upload a photo

5. Click 'Submit' and your report is complete!

