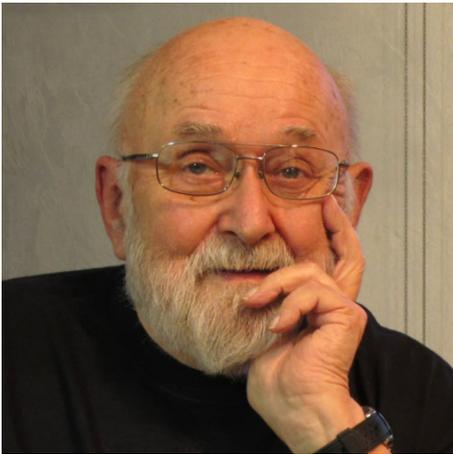




## 2018 TRUFFLE GATHERING

TRUFFLE TIME IS HERE AGAIN. COME AND JOIN US IN THE HUNT FOR THESE HIDDEN TREASURES



We are so very fortunate, again, to have Jim Trappe, one of the world's leading experts on truffles, to give us three days at Wangat. Jim has done more work than anyone else on discovering and documenting truffles in Australia.

Truffles are usually associated with plant roots, so are mycorrhizal and help these plants grow more vigorously. They are an important food source for small mammals like bandicoots and potoroos. Now that is just the beginning of the story – come and hear the full story from Jim of just how important these fungi are and so much more. Enjoy the 'treasure hunt' for these illusive fungi in the beautiful environment around Wangat Lodge in the lower reaches of the Barrington National Park.

Another special part of these gatherings is the social interaction with fellow enthusiasts. There is great comradery in the field and in the evenings back at the Lodge. It's great sitting in the warmth of the rec. room around the slow combustion fire relaxing and sharing stories and information. If any of you have special musical talents there is a piano or bring along your own instrument so we can have a sing-along or just listen.

**Dates:** Sunday 17th June, arrive 3.00 pm, book in and room allocation  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, field work and processing of finds back at the Lodge, there will be microscopes to look at spores etc.  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> pack up and depart

**Cost:** \$35 per head per night

Wangat Lodge is self-catering, so you need to bring your own food, sheets and towels. Pillows and doonas supplied.

Please let me know as soon as possible to help with organising this event and to ensure you get a place as it is already filling up.

More details re payment etc. will be provided when you book in with the Fungal Network, contact details:  
Pam O'Sullivan [pam@osullivan.com.au](mailto:pam@osullivan.com.au) Direct any queries to Pam as well.



Left are some of the truffles photographed by Todd Elliott during his 2016 trip to Wangat with Jim Trappe.

This year Jim will be ably assisted by his great nephew Jamie Ure  
You can be part of the team to find more of these in 2018.