

Peter Clark
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Peter attended St Peters and Roseworthy Colleges then left Australia to work in Papua New Guinea as an agricultural advisor for the Australian Government. His interest in wildlife and especially insects led him to become involved in the establishment of sustainable village based wildlife businesses (such as crocodile & butterfly farming). This in turn led to establishing PNG's then largest zoo as well as into the areas of environmental education and tourism. He returned to Australia in 2003 taking up the position of Curator at Monarto Zoo.



There he became heavily involved in the development of the zoo, the introduction of new species and the zoo's involvement especially in native species conservation projects.

Now as Director Life Sciences for Zoos South Australia Peter shares his work between both Adelaide and Monarto zoos

He serves on the IUCN's Species Survival Commission, is a Fellow of the Royal Entomological Society of London, a Wildlife Conservation Associate of the WCS (New York) and a Paul Harris Fellow (Rotary International). He is ex Chairperson of the Zoos and Aquarium Association's Accreditation and Animal Welfare Committee.

Besides wildlife, his other interests include photography, insects, birds and field work in Africa

His aspirations for the future of Zoos SA hinge heavily on the building of a passionate team attitude, brought about by honesty and inclusiveness.

Currently Peter is working alongside other zoo staff to deliver new and exciting projects at both zoos that form part of the Society's 20-year master plan.