

# Wombat Forestcare Citizen Science

## The survey work

- Aboreal mammal habitat association research project.
- Small ground mammal habitat association research project.
- Motion-sensing camera projects resulting in many threatened animal and plant records added to the Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (VBA) database and new records of the threatened species.
- **EN** Greater Glider (*Petauroides volans*) spotlighting resulting in over 480 records added to the VBA
- **VU** Powerful Owl (*Ninox strenua*) searches, five breeding sites discovered.
- **CR** Barking Owl (*Ninox connivens*) searches, one breeding site discovered.
- **CR** Wombat Bossiaea (*Bossiaea wombata*) plants found in rare plant searches, resulting in uncovering four of five known locations.
- **CR** Eastern Bent-wing Bat (*Miniopterus orianae oceanensis*) colonies located with a Song Meter acoustic recorder
- **EN** Mountain Skink (*Liopholis montana*) searches resulting in over 90 new records, extending the skink's range to Lerderderg State Park, and south and west of known locations.
- **VU** Brush-tailed Phascogale (*Phascogale tapoatafa*) recorded in multiple locations providing reliable local habitat descriptions.
- Records of rare and unusual fungi.
- Communities Listening for Nature participant. The project, run by VNPA and Museums Victoria, used automated sound recorders to monitor birds

**CR** critically endangered

**EN** endangered

**VU** vulnerable



Wombat Forest nature surveyors. Photography © Sandy Scheltema

## Mountain Skink Chuffed Campaign

Wombat Forestcare is seeking donations to contract a reptile scientist to undertake further surveys, establish long-term monitoring sites and collect additional genetic samples in the Wombat Forest and Lerderderg State Park.

<https://chuffed.org/project/113833-be-a-champion-for-nature-lets-protect-our-mountain-skink>



Be a Champion for Nature - Let's  
Protect our Mountain Skink



**Wombat Forestcare** is a community conservation group with over 200 members based in the Wombat State Forest, Victoria. Our group, incorporated in 2006, works towards the protection of the forest and undertakes many 'citizen science' projects.

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