National Wildlife Carers Conference 2004

- Management and Care of Small Marsupials.
- Workshop: Monday 26th July
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Yellow-Footed Antechinus Antechinus flavipes, Brown Antechinus Antechinus stuartii, Dusky Antechinus Antechinus swainsonii, Brush-tailed Phascogale Phascogale tapoatafa, Common Planigale Planigale maculata, Fat-tailed Dunnart Sminthopsis crassicaudata, Eastern Pygmy Possum Cercartetus nanus and Feathertail Glider Acrobates pygmaeus

Species Identification

• Identification & identification techniques, taxonomy, status, habitat and natural diets

Initial Assesment

• History, assessment of injuries, applying first aid, identifying when an animal is in torpor.

Housing

• Heat boxes, bird boxes and hollows, nesting material and enclosure furniture.

Nutrition

• Natural diets, supplementary diets, preparation and presentation of diets.

Equipment

• Scales, housing, first aid equipment, hand rearing equipment, hand rearing charts.

Hand Rearing of Orphaned Young

• Assessment of young, age determination, housing of young, milk types, hand rearing equipment, weaning and release.

Rehabilitation of Adults and Young

• Assessment if rehabilitation is an option, choosing release sites, time of release, and euthanasia.