

## 2011 - University Student Grants Scheme - winners

The Wildlife Preservation Society of Australia is delighted to announce the winners of the ten grants of \$1,000 each to honours or postgraduate students conducting research that will contribute to the conservation of Australian wildlife. The winners for 2011 are:

**Joanne Towsey**, University of Queensland. Project: Foraging ecology and management of flying-foxes (*Pteropus alecto* and *Pteropus poliocephalus*) in urbanised south-east Queensland

**Kylie Soanes**, University of Melbourne. Project: Evaluating the effectiveness of road mitigation measures for wildlife: how much monitoring is enough?

**Paul Duckett**, Macquarie University. Project: Combining genetics and ecological niche modelling to assess connectivity between present and future distributions of an Australian gecko (*Gehyra variegata*)

**Tamara Inkster**, James Cook University. Project: Community structure, altitudinal gradients, and climatic responses of microbats in the wet tropics

**Bronwyn Fancourt**, University of Tasmania. Project: Drought, disease or destiny? Identifying causes of decline of the eastern quoll (*Dasyurus viverrinus*)

**Helen Smith**, University of Sydney. Project: Wildlife Responses to Black Rat Control in Sydney Harbour National Park

**Maggie Haines**, University of Melbourne. Project: Evolutionary ecology of an endangered alpine lizard threatened by climate change

**Maggie Triska**, University of Western Australia. Project: Determining Native Fauna Occupancy in unmined Jarrah Forest in South-western Australia

**Mark Wallace**, University of Western Australia. Project: Rare plants in the Western Australia biodiversity hotspot

**Paul Chachelle**, University of Western Australia. Project: The effect of fauna underpasses on the ecology and movement patterns of western grey kangaroos (*Macropus fuliginosus*) in a landscape fragmented by anthropomorphic development