

# 2022 University Research Grant Winners

The Australian Wildlife Society's University Research Grants are scholarships offered to honours or postgraduate students at Australian universities. Each year, ten grants of \$3,000 are awarded. Grants are available for research projects of direct relevance to the conservation of Australian wildlife (flora or fauna). Grants may be used to purchase equipment and consumables, travel expenses related to field research, or attend conferences at which you are presenting your research.

The Australian Wildlife Society is delighted to announce the winners of the ten grants of \$3,000 each to honours or postgraduate students conducting research that will contribute to the conservation of Australian wildlife. **The winners for 2022 are:**

## **ADAM YANEY-KELLER**

School of Biological Sciences,  
Monash University

### **Project Title:**

Disentangling the long-term effects of marine debris on Australian fur seals

## **CLAIRE BUTLER**

Institute of Marine and Antarctic Studies,  
University of Tasmania

### **Project Title:**

Comparative effects of ocean warming on kelp-herbivore interactions on Australian temperate reefs

## **ELISE OAKMAN**

School of Life and Environmental Sciences,  
University of Sydney

### **Project Title:**

Does restoration return insect pollinators to our endangered ecosystems?

## **ERICA FONSECA**

School of Biological Sciences,  
Queensland University of Technology

### **Project Title:**

Social-ecological drivers and outcomes of conservation in private lands

## **JACLYN HARRIS**

School of Biological Sciences,  
Monash University

### **Project Title:**

Fire and Reptiles: An investigation into threatening processes and potential management solutions

## **JAVIERA OLIVARES-ROJAS**

School of Biological Sciences, Monash University

### **Project Title:**

What is required to recover Australian threatened ecosystems?

## **JESSICA KEEM**

School of Ecosystem and Forest Sciences,  
University of Melbourne

### **Project Title:**

Refuges are vital for the survival and persistence of fauna in the wake of disturbance events

## **NICHOLAS MACDONALD**

School of Life and Environmental Sciences,  
Deakin University

### **Project Title:**

Investigation of the immune response of the Tasmanian devil (*Sarcophilus harrisi*) to cancer and altered environmental conditions

## **NICOLE LYNCH**

School of Life and Environmental Sciences,  
University of Sydney

### **Project Title:**

Spot the quoll: tactical use of olfactory information to improve detection and conservation of a rare, native carnivore

## **SHAWN SCOTT**

UniSA STEM,  
University of South Australia

### **Project Title:**

Post-fire population recovery and chytrid occurrence in frogs of the Mount Loft Ranges, South Australia