



**Conservation Volunteers and Parks Victoria are working in partnership under a Memorandum of Understanding to engage the community in a range of conservation programs resulting in an increase to individual and community health and well being as well as benefiting the environment**

### Eastern Barred Bandicoot

The Eastern Barred Bandicoot (EBB) is now considered extinct in Victoria's wild only existing in a few reintroduced populations.

***The survival of this species now depends on the successful reintroduction of captive populations***

### Conservation Volunteers 'Wild Futures' Program

The EBB has been selected as one of twelve Conservation Volunteers Wild Future species.

The Wild Futures program is;

- a focused approach to endangered species recovery
- involves practical projects focused on wildlife conservation
- is guided by the needs for the species as identified in Recovery Plans



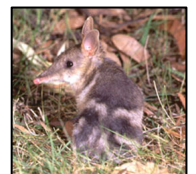
***The program aims to raise over \$1 million for projects involving the EBB species in the first year and raise it's profile significantly in the community***

### Woodlands Historic Park

Conservation Volunteers and Parks Victoria are working together to re-establish the captive breeding population of EBB at Woodlands Historic Park through a community participation and education program, supplemented with active management to reduce the impacts of predation and over-grazing pressures.

Progress to date;

- A business plan has been produced for the first 5 years
- A prospectus has been produced to raise corporate and philanthropic funding
- A CVA Project Officer will be employed in late 2010 to assist implementation
- The EBB Recovery team have provided support



### Serendip Sanctuary

The Vision for Werribee Plains Grant Program have awarded Conservation Volunteers \$250 000 to complete a project titled;

**"Endangered Species Recovery for the Werribee Plains Community"**

The successful grant will enable Serendip Sanctuary to;

- be utilised as a holding area for EBB's
- upgrade and utilise existing facilities
- promote a community engagement program through education and interpretation
- increase community profile

