

A Rocha report about trip to Mt Sandy, Meningie 11-12th July 2026

11 Friends of A Rocha, 10 Orchid Society SA members, Dea Marshall, Wildlands' senior ecologist and 2 Wilderlands volunteers (Greg and Jana) and Matt (employed by Wilderlands to shoot the feral deer and foxes at the Mt Sandy reserve) all joined us.

We endured bitterly cold & wet weather in the Saturday (thanks to the campfire makers!) and some sunshine on the Sunday. Rosaline and Robert Lawrence (Orchid society) gave us valuable tips on using INaturalist. We made wire guards to go round young trees that are being eaten by the kangaroos & planted 120 plants from Raukkan nursery. It was exciting to see the growth from our previous revegetation plantings. We enjoyed a wonderful walk up Mt Sandy, stopping regularly to look at early orchids & saw some of the 230 plant species. We saw the cleaned and re-installed Pygmy Possum boxes. A cord plugged into an electric car gave us hot water for our tea/coffee/soups!



