

Silent night?



No, not the Christmas carol. That's the possibility if we continue to inadvertently poison our nocturnal birds. Many rat and mice baits (rodenticides) are attractive and lethal not only to their intended target but to our pets and to wildlife such as Quenda and Possums. Birds of prey, particularly Owls, are weakened and killed through 'secondary poisoning' from their baited prey. Our precious wildlife is at risk. You can help.

- Use traps rather than baits to control rats and mice.
- If you choose to use baits, read the label carefully and store out of reach of pets and children.
- ✓ USE one containing the active ingredient coumatetralyl or warfarin and carefully follow package instructions.
- X DO NOT USE those with brodifacoum and bromodialone – remember b is for bad!**
- Report injured wildlife to FAWNA on 0438 526 660 or the DBCA Wildcare Helpline on 9474 9055.



Find out more:

www.fawna.com.au/

www.natureconservation.org.au/blog/call-for-action-to-protect-owls-from-rat-poisons/

Boobook and Masked Owl, photos Steve Castan