

Make a simple flap to treat wild mangy wombats

We use and recommend Ice cream lids as if its anything lighter it swings in the breeze too much and spills. Attach to pegs with string, as it's harder for the wombat to grasp and destroy and allow's you to position flap easily in burrow with a couple of wire pegs pushed into the bank above the burrow.

You will need:

- Plastic drink bottle lid (not milk bottle it's too big and not metal)
- Ice cream lid, 2 lt is ideal or 5 lt (ask your friends to save them)
- String (2 x 1m lengths) preferably synthetic, will last longer.
- 2 tent pegs, You can use old bent heavy farm wire
- Hot Glue gun (avail from \$2 shops)
- Stanley knife (also known as box knife)
- Food Dye to put in flap or cydetin to help you see if your going.

1. Cut out stencil and draw on your ice cream lid, ensure you centre the hole.

2. Using a stanley knife cut out shape. Cut to X in top corners topush and attach string thru.

3. Insert lid into shape (pointy bits are to help hold lid in while you glue.

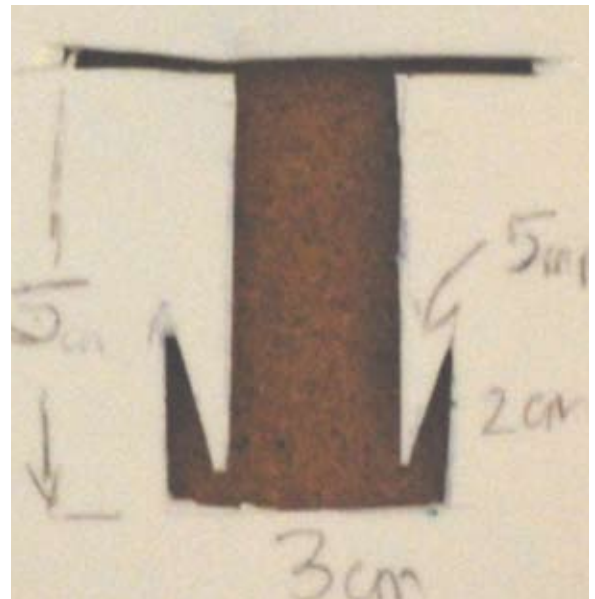
4. Insert left over bit as your 'roof' to help stop rain splashing it out.

5. Using plenty of hot glue, glue lid in and roof on, sit upright for glue to set.

6. Push string they X in top corners

7. Position in centre of burrow opening with treatment lid roughly 20cm from ground.

8. Fill lid with cydetin this will be 4mm. Use food dye in bottle or a few drps in lid if you are using a few flaps you can use diffrent colours in each flap. You can see who's getting treated where, and if much spills on the ground. Always use 2 layes of disposable gloves.



If this PDF is printed on A4 paper this is the correct size to be used as your stencil. Cut out so you can make your lids.



We have made some plywood one's that are still hanging in burrows 6 years later!

Positioning flap

- Flap needs to be set in the middle of the burrow opening, Applicator lid is about 20cm from ground, so it tips down wombats neck & back. Hanging under and out of weather and wind if at all possible.

- In a gap under the fence, it can be more difficult to get this position, a wombat puts it's head down, to push under, so as long as there is room for the flap to tip the cydetin on it will work. Use stones, hay bails anything to tunnel wombats thru flaps.



Treatment stick: *when wombats are out in the daytime!*

- Taping a bottle with a lid to a long stick, allow's you to slowly (downwind) approach a wombat with mange and pour the dosage onto the spine, where there are no thick crusts to prevent it from soaking in.
- I tape the bottle on at about 45 degrees, so after taking the lid off, just need to rotate stick for the 4mm dosage to pour on.



- You can use the bottle lid taped to the stick, but I find I spill it before I get to the wombat!



- Try and follow the wombat to see where his burrow is so you can flap it, or a fence he is going under as after 2- 4 doses he will not be out in the daytime as much and be more difficult to find. Burrow's will have fresh dirt and diggings and wombat poo's around (Square looking poo)
- Leaving a bowl of water, near the burrow is helpful as the wombat will be extra thirsty due to the mange, In dry times splashing bucket's of water around weekly on nearby grass will help give the wombat food as well.
- *If the wombat has wounds or looks in poorer condition than this one he will need to be taken into care or if not possible humanely euthanaised. If unsure get a few photo's and we will be happy to talk to you about his condition and recomend help.*
- ***Remeber it might not be mange, but a old infected dog attack, or wounds after being hit by a car. We are always happy to view photo's and recomend someone local to help***