



# Good reason to growl

IF the growling grass frog sounds a little angry, he may have good reason for it.

The local little amphibian is on the endangered list.

Serendip Sanctuary's ranger in charge Michael Helman said research was being undertaken to find out why numbers of the growling grass frogs are dropping.

But the slippery creature's brothers and sisters could be breathing a sigh of relief.

"It actually preys on other frogs," Mr Helman said.

The growling grass frog - which does indeed growl - is part of Serendip Sanctuary's Alcoa Frog World interactive display.

The display was designed by frog expert and director of Werribee's Amphibian Research Centre Gerry Marantelli.

**CROAKING IT:** World renowned frog expert Gerry Marantelli with an endangered growling grass frog at Alcoa Frog World.

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