

Whadjuk Trail Network

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On FRIDAY 30th MAY 2014, the Wardun Beelieer Bidi, the second trail in the Whadjuk Network of trails was officially opened to the public with a ceremonial handing of the Message stick to Mayor Ron Norris of the Town of Mosman Park. The Honourable Premier Colin Barnett was in attendance, along with Noongar Elder Neville Collard who conducted the Welcome to Country.

After recognition of the sponsors of the Whadjuk Trails, friends groups invited those in attendance to join them on a short 2km segment of the 17.4km trail. The activism and support from the elected members, WESROC Executive staff and Environmental Committee was clear with Friends and Community Groups, Lotterywest, the Department of Sport and Recreation, and Perth Region NRM all helping to ensure the continued successful development of the Whadjuk Trails.



Neville Collard (Noongar Elder and story teller) presenting the Whadjuk Trails Message Stick to Mayor Ron Norris of the Town of Mosman Park with the honourable Premier Colin Barnett

The perfect weather brought out many attendees, evidence that community interest in the trail network is high. WESROC said that we should all be proud of being able to deliver such an asset to our communities who will use it well in the coming years where it will foster an increased affection between our communities and their natural areas. The innovative QR codes enthralled listeners with Noongar stories whilst they enjoyed spectacular views of the Swan River from our remnant bushland areas.

