Gnangara cleanup a big success

PICTURE this—500 car bodies, 2000 tyres, 60 tonnes of asbestos and loads of household rubbish.

That was the result of Operation Cleanup —a two-day exercise—at the Gnangara Park, north of Wanneroo.

The $60,000 cleanup was part of a campaign to return the 90,000 hectare Gnangara Park to its natural state.

The cleanup was a joint activity between this Department, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Water Corporation, the Water and Rivers Commission, the City of Swan, the City of Wanneroo and the Police Department.

District Operations Officer, Clayton Sanders, said the cleanup had been a huge success.

He hopes that $80,000 of gates and fencing, along with regular patrols by agencies, will decrease the dumping of rubbish and cars and the number of fires.

"Our next phase is the installation of signs. We have 50 anti-pollution signs which will be erected around the park over the next few weeks."

The signs were produced in conjunction with the Water Corporation, City of Wanneroo, Police Department and City of Swan to remind people not to pollute the Gnangara Mound.

Wanneroo Member of Parliament Di Guise (left) congratulates (from second left) Police Superintendent Jim Migro, Adrian Palmer and Samantha Crack (WRC), Dennis Darvel (Motor Trade Association), Detective Sergeant Herman Van Ravenstein, Peter Johns (DEP), Dan Seketa (Motorcycle Enduro Club), Ken Raine (DEP), Sergeant Ken Markham (Wanneroo Police), Clayton Sanders from our Perth District, and District Manager Alan Sands.

Bob Luck (13 Brigade - Army Irwin Barracks Karrakatta) with an all-terrain forklift moves vehicles to roadsides for collection by Simsmetal. Eight Army personnel volunteers

Sandra Krupa, Paula & Maureen (from Clean Up), Annie GREIG taking stock of the days Cleanup achievements!

Jim Sharp, Jenna Strickland
(Challenge Bank - official sponsors of
Clean Up), Anne Greig, Maureen
McDaniell (Clean Up WA coordinator)
A committment to Gnangara Park
nominated as a Clean Up 2001

Mel Price and Sam Greer 'sift the sand' for pieces of asbestos