



Five of the honoured volunteers, left to right, Wesley Manson, Ruth Tolson and Terry Hales, with Sue and Keith Smith. Photo by Carolyn Thomson

Nine in Volunteer Week honours list

VOLUNTEERS working in environmental areas as diverse as marine turtle research, wildlife rehabilitation and cave management were honoured during Volunteer Week last month by Environment Minister Kevin Minson.

The nine volunteers were among more than 670 volunteers who worked with CALM last year on about 60 projects.

Mr Minson said Volunteer Week was a great opportunity to recognise the valuable contribution these people made to the community.

by Terry Gales

He said they and other volunteers in Western Australia had taken up the challenge to improve the State's environment.

"They ensured that projects could progress faster and provided services to the public that would not otherwise be available," Mr Minson said.

He said more than four million volunteers Australia-wide provided essential services to the community such as fighting fires, running emer-

gency services and caring for injured wildlife.

Mr Minson presented Volunteer of the Year awards to: Peg and Alan Shepherd of Bedfordale, for staffing the visitor centre at Millstream-Chichester National Park for three months; Gwen and Norm Cole of Manning, for their work as campground hosts at Cape Range National Park at Exmouth; Ruth Tolson of Woodlands, and Wesley Manson of Karrinyup, for their work on loggerhead turtles at Ningaloo Marine Park at Exmouth.

