

Twins still thriving

WHILE twin-koala births are not unheard of, this pair is thought to be unique in having survived infancy—the first ever recorded in Western Australia.

Koalas breed during summer, and females generally produce a single youngster each year.

However, news of the twins' arrival was not released until they had survived the critical first seven months' stage.

Both now look like becoming permanent stars of Yanchep National Park.

To celebrate the birth and survival of the twins, CALM

held a naming competition in conjunction with Radio Lollipop and Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH).

The winner was 12-year-old Tammie Mires of Bateman, who chose the names 'Euca' and 'Lyptus'.

The prize entitles her to a weekend away with her family at Perup Wilderness Lodge (near Manjimup), a set of CALM's Bush Books, plus a Gold Star Pass, which entitles them to free entry to all CALM-managed national parks in WA, and includes a year's subscription to *LANDSCOPE*.

