

**April 2021** 



View of Mylies Beach from the walk trail to East Mount Barren, Fitzgerald River National Park | credit: Tourism WA

# Smart mapping for Fitzgerald River National Park

The beautiful Fitzgerald River National Park on WA's southern coast between Albany and Esperance is the latest to be mapped in the Smart Park Maps series.

The maps are designed to make it easier to navigate, using built-in GPS on smartphone or tablet to plot real time location. Providing the maps are downloaded while there is an Internet connection, they can be used in the parks without a network connection and without roaming charges.

The Smart Park Maps provide information on access, park facilities, trails and other features and attractions.

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# Welcoming our new corporate supporter



AGIG's renewable gas endeavours in the community

The WA Parks Foundation is very pleased to welcome a new corporate partner to assist in delivering projects that celebrate, promote, protect and enrich Western Australia's parks.

The Australian Gas Infrastructure Group, one of Australia's largest energy infrastructure businesses, has recently become a supporter.

AGIG owns and operates infrastructure that delivers gas to more than two million Australian homes and businesses.

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## Backyard habitats for wildlife



Mandy Bamford (Club Council Member); Sabrina Hahn; the Hon Kerry Sanderson AC, CVO and Professor Lyn Beazley AO (Co-Patrons); and Dr Shashi Sharma (WA Naturalists' Club President)

The important role that gardeners can play in creating corridors for wildlife in urban areas was the theme of the WA Naturalists' Club's 2021 Serventy Memorial Lecture.

The presenter was Sabrina Hahn, master gardener, horticultural professional, award winning radio presenter, podcaster and writer.

Sabrina has a scientific background in horticulture, soil science, entomology and botany. She has a passion for the creation of sustainable landscapes that make cities more liveable and believes that urban gardens play a vital role not only offering people a space for physical and mental wellbeing but also in returning biodiversity into our cities.

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#### Woodside

#### engagement



Woodside's Community Partners gather for the 2021 Community Stakeholder Event

The WA Parks Foundation was pleased to be represented recently at a highly informative, inclusive and engaging community stakeholder workshop presented by Woodside Australia.

About sixty community stakeholders participated in a collaborative afternoon of discussions, workshops and networking.

The program was wide-ranging, with updates on Woodside's business and social investment activities, inclusion and diversity strategy, steps in the reconciliation journey, climate strategy and carbon offsets. Social impact reporting and effective data collection were also on the agenda as well as a lively Q&A session.

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Promoting the treasures of the

#### Woodlands



The Woodlands Cultural, Community and Visitor Centre is the gateway centre to Western Australia and the Nullarbor | credit: Australia's Golden Outback

Norseman's recently opened Woodlands Cultural, Community and Visitor Centre offers a new tourism experience for the region. It showcases the natural assets of the remarkable Great Western Woodlands and includes interpretive information on the local Ngadju culture.

The centre, encouraging travellers to stop and stay longer in Norseman and explore the surrounding area, is located on the Coolgardie-Esperance Highway.

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### Philippa Nikulinsky at Boola Bardip



Philippa puts finishing touches to the Marri | credit: Angela Nikulinsk

A watercolour by internationally renowned artist, botanical illustrator and author, Philippa Nikulinsky AM is one of the many delights of the WA Museum Boola Bardip.

This work is the result of an approach by the WA Museum in 2019 to see if Philippa was interested in creating a painting of WA wildflowers, particularly from Kwongan habitats for the new museum. Of course, she was. Head up to level 3 to see her exquisite painting in the museum's Wild Life exhibition.

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#### **Hello Possums**



The western ringtail possum lives in isolated pockets in WA's South West | credit: Parks and Wildlife Service, DBCA

Citizen scientists are out and about again in WA's south west as participants in the 2021 Ringtail Tally.

The Tally aims to improve our knowledge and awareness of critically endangered western ringtail possums living in urban areas. Citizen scientists are engaged to record sightings of these rare possums in their local area over a month. The results are shared with the wider community in the form of an infographic and recorded on the WA Threatened Species Database.

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