

Ballardong Koorta Boodjar Kaatajn



The Walbrininy Ngulla Aboriginal Corporation applied to Wheatbelt NRM in 2012 for Small Community Grant in order to identify birds and mammals in need, provide nesting boxes for wildlife, identify and survey bush tucker and medicinal plants in and around Deep Pool Reserve, and revegetate the area.

The first step of the activity was to plant species with medicinal and bush tucker values. Sadly, due to the dry season, not many of the plants survived.

An exciting partnership was formed between the Walbrininy Ngulla Aboriginal Corporation, The Beverley Men's Shed and The Beverley District High School (DHS). The Beverley DHS has a magnificent technical block which is under utilised, and with the guidance of the Beverley Men's Shed, the students came together to build the nest boxes for Deep Pool Reserve.

This took six weeks at the end of the school year, and the students saw a couple of the nest boxes installed by members of Wheatbelt NRM staff in early December 2012. The remaining nest boxes, including the carnaby sized nest box, were installed by Simon Cherriman in early March 2013.

Wheatbelt NRM Small

Community Grants 2012

Recipient: Walbrininy Ngulla
Aboriginal Corporation

Amount Funded: \$2, 020

People Involved: 30

A botanist, Bronwen Keigerhy of Agonis Botanical, was engaged to conduct a botanical survey of the Deep Pool Reserve area. She found that Deep Pool Reserve is a significant site in terms of conservation value. It consists of a variety of naturally vegetated landforms associated with Dale River. The Re-

serve's flora is relatively intact and a number of species of conservation significance were found. The reserve is a newly located example of an Avon Wheatbelt vegetation type—Wandoo over Herbs.



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