



FRIENDS OF PENGUIN CRADLE TRAIL

NEWSLETTER

THIS ISSUE

Certificate of Appreciation

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NEWS / EVENTS:

- The recognition of the tremendous work done by volunteers in many parts of the state and for many diverse roles generally goes un-noticed, but it is also nice to be noticed. This Certificate of Appreciation is for all the volunteers who have helped us over the years to keep the track open for bush walkers to enjoy. Committee – Friends of Penguin Cradle Trail.
- Invasion of weed species is an issue in many parts of the state and foxglove is one causing concern. There are some large outbreaks in the Leven River catchment area. Wildcare and PWS are assisting with chemical training for volunteers, local councils are recognizing the issue. There is still a long way to go for a suitable control method to be available BUT we are heading in the right direction.

Volunteer Certificate of Appreciation



What's happening on the PCT - working bees?

June was a memorable month for all the wrong reasons, as the North West Coast experienced an extreme wind event.

Many properties in a narrow band were damaged, trees twisted and torn apart. Gunns Plains and Loongana received damage and unfortunately the PCT wasn't spared from the destruction.

Originally the track looked OK, but as we go further it is obvious a lot of work is required to remove fallen trees and repair track benching. The positive of course is that we know what we are doing for the next 12 months of working bees. The gallery has images of our last working bee where we started work in -3 deg, but soon warmed up. Thanks to the dedicated volunteers.

PCT track works - recent Gunns Plains wind damage - Gallery



Now where do we start ...



Taking shape ...



That's the easy bit done ...



Before the wind ...



After the wind ... Greg standing on the same part of track - *"I think we need a bigger saw"*

*We are part of the environment, we deal with its fury, we admire its beauty,
and I guess if we didn't, we wouldn't be volunteers.*