



Winnit Club (Inc)

2016 Premier Awards
2 Havelock St
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WA 6005
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Secretary: Winnit Club Inc
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RE: ROTTNEST ISLAND AUTHORITY'S- PREMIER'S AWARD NOMINATION-
MANAGING THE ENVIRONMENT CATEGORY- WADJEMUP WALK TRAIL PROJECT

To the Public Sector Commission

The Winnit Club (Incorporated) is a non-profit organisation founded on Rottnest Island in 1931.

All members of the club have a love of the Island and recognise the fragile nature of the Island's ecology and the necessity to preserve it for present and future West Australians and Island visitors.

The Winnit Club members and their families have a long history of contributing on a volunteer basis toward environmental and heritage projects on Rottnest Island, including (but not limited to)

- Establishment of the Nursing Post, sourcing of funds for the nurses wages for 3 years, provision of medical supplies and the upgrading of the facility as necessary
- Construction of the Railway station platforms, signage and safety structures
- Various historical restoration and electrical projects to the tunnels, plotting rooms and guns at Oliver Hill for the Military Historical Society and Voluntary Guides
- Environmental & construction projects such as sand dune restoration, tree planting, walkways, fencing, jetty repairs, re-vegetation of areas affected by fire, construction of information centres and beach access-ways.

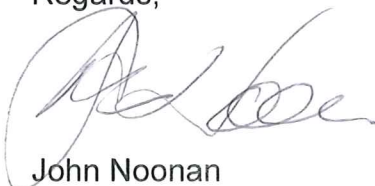
The Winnit Club form one of the affiliated community group partners with the Rottnest Foundation, Rottnest Society, Conservation Volunteers and our newest partner, the Rottnest Voluntary Guides to support the implementation of the Rottnest Island 'Wadjemup Walk Trail' project.

The Winnit Club has been contributing volunteer labour towards the Wadjemup Walk Trail project since its inception, in the form of construction works including implementing the Trail itself and associated works such as fencing, building beach access stairs, installing facilities and Island signage (interpretive & directional).

The Winnit Club believe this Walk Trail initiative will benefit the community greatly, not only because it incorporates volunteer groups in its development, but once implemented, will benefit the public by providing a platform for school group excursions, community education programs, and opens up an entire new layer of opportunities for whole of Island nature and cultural walking tours.

The Winnit Club is in support of the Rottnest Island Authority making a submission for a 2016 Premier's Award for the 'Wadjemup Walk Trail project' under the 'Managing the Environment' category, as the RIA are primarily responsible for the initial Trail concept and are now working with our Club and other community groups to make the vision a reality.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Noonan', written in a cursive style.

John Noonan
Secretary