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Moore to explore at Jingemias Cave

After grey skies and a deluge of rain the day before, the weather couldn't have been better for the official opening of the Jingemias Cave new signage and footpath upgrade on 8th June. The cave is on the south eastern edge of Watheroo National Park and managed by Department of Parks and Wildlife (DPaW). Over 40 people, many who haven't visited the cave before, braved the slippery access road to get to the cave and were greeted by a hot cuppa and pumpkin soup.

Rachel Walmsley Moore Catchment Council's NRM Officer said "Jingemias Cave is a great place to visit to explore the local bush but many people left wanting to know more about the cave and surrounds. DPaW staff at Jurien Bay have been busy for weeks hand-building a footpath around the cave site and installing the new interpretive signage to highlight the interesting geology and guano mining history of the cave, and the ecology of the area which includes many rare plants. The signage also acknowledges the Yued Aboriginal people who are the traditional custodians of the land here." This project was a joint venture between DPaW and Moore Catchment Council and was made possible with funding through DPaW, Lotterywest, and Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) with Royalties for Regions funds. State Member for Moore Shane Love with representatives from DPaW, Yued, MCC and WDC officially cut the ribbon to unveil the new signs.



Jingemias's new signage

Photo: R Walmsley



Shane Love leads the ribbon cutting

Photo: D Peter

Rachel said "Additionally, we chose this day to launch a new eco-walk trails resource for locals and visitors to the Shire of Moora. MCC has developed a handy booklet showcasing 12 walks in the Shire, 2 wildflower drives, and guide to flora and fauna likely encountered. This was made possible by a grant received through WDC with funding from Royalties for Regions and I thank several people and groups from around Moora who helped with the content including the Shire of Moora, Yued group, Friends of the Moora Woodlands, Moora CRC and Kerkhof Carnaby Group" Copies of the eco-trails booklet are available free from the Moora Community Resource Centre. Thanks to everyone who came along to the day, Nikki Craggo for catering and to Colin Headland for driving the community bus from Moora.



Shire of Moora Eco Trails booklet officially launched

Photo: H Legge

The Moore Catchment Council promotes Natural Resource Management in the Moore River Catchment