

RINGTAIL TALLY RESULTS 2017



Western Ringtail
Action Group



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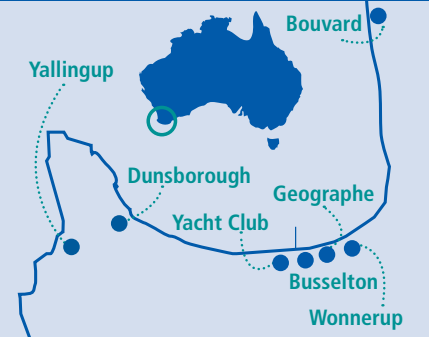
A community survey of Western Ringtail Possums

These are the results of the second Western Ringtail Possum Tally undertaken by the Geographe community. The first survey was held in 2016 to start building observation data that will improve our knowledge about where our endangered Western Ringtail Possums are found and in what numbers, within the Geographe Catchment.



40 residents took part in the Tally

WHERE WE SAW RINGTAILS



The **HIGHEST NUMBER** of possums per survey occurred at Wonnerup and Busselton Yacht Club.

TO PROTECT OUR RINGTAILS, Protect your peppies, keep cats and dogs indoor at night, plant possum friendly gardens and drive carefully at night.

Missed the tally?

Send any sighting info to fauna@dbca.wa.gov.au where your important data will be added to the Western Ringtail Possum database or participate in the next possum tally.

NEXT SURVEY: Register for our Spring Survey commencing 21st September - 21st October online at [www.http://geocatch.asn.au/](http://geocatch.asn.au/) events to access a date recording sheet, or contact GeoCatch on 9781 0111 or geocatch@dwer.wa.gov.au to receive a data recording pack. You could also go into the draw to win a possum box!

A SNAPSHOT OF RESULTS April - May 2017

Of **41** sites surveyed,

100% HAD RINGTAILS!

A total of **133 hours** were spent looking out for possums, across **311 evening surveys**



Average number seen

2.5

during a survey

767 possum sightings

of which 158 were identified as different individuals

of **77** reported deaths (seen this year),

87% were due to road kills

70% of reports on ringtails feeding were in peppermint trees

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