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Elizabeth Quay relics to join Omeo wreck at Coogee Maritime Trail

Two historic relics discovered during the excavation of Elizabeth Quay in 2014 have a new home as part of underwater dive installations at Coogee Maritime Trail in the City of Cockburn.

The trail opened at Coogee Beach in February with a purpose-built dive reef featuring 33 reinforced concrete modules set around the 1858-built steamship Omeo, which was driven ashore and wrecked in 1905.

The trail now also boasts an old railway wheel and an admiralty anchor and stock probably used as moorings around the turn of the 19th century when the Swan River was a bustling port.

Donated by the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority, the items were installed in 3-4m of water about 15m offshore. Accompanied by information plaques, the new additions will soon be teeming with marine life.

The railway wheel and anchor were found in an area of Swan River seabed thought to have been covered by reclaimed land in the 1930's.

For more information, search Coogee Maritime Trail at www.cockburn.wa.gov.au

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