18 December 2018

**Port Coogee Marina rewarded with environmental accreditation**

The Port Coogee Marina has been recognised with an international accreditation through the Marina Industries Association (MIA) for its commitment to environmentally friendly practices.

On Tuesday, 4 December 2018 the Marina was awarded with an International Clean Marina Accreditation Level 3 at the annual MIA meeting at South of Perth Yacht Club.

Marinas participating in the Clean Marina program are independently assessed with a focus on their operational practices and facilities such as waste water capture, recycling and the systems in place to ensure environmental compliance.

The Marina’s Level 3 accreditation recognises practices including Safety Emergency Management Plans, Chemical Registers, Staff Emergency Response Training and education to marina users.

The City of Cockburn’s Marina Manager, Samantha Standish said the marina’s management are committed to protecting the health of the marina and waterways in Port Coogee.

“The Clean Marina Program offered by MIA, was a fantastic opportunity to review and implement our safety and environmental practices to ensure Port Coogee Marina is operating at or above the industry standard.

“The environmental accreditation promotes accountability for our waterways by staff, boat owners and members of the community. We are proud to fly the Clean Marina flag and would encourage other marinas and yacht clubs to join the program,” said Ms Standish.

The Marina is also working on the Marina Industry Associations Fish Friendly accreditation to compliment the Level 3 Clean Marina Certification. This accreditation focuses on fish friendly structures within the marina, educating marina users on local fish species as well as promoting sustainable fishing and boating practices.

Port Coogee Marina has 150 floating pens with a range of boating facilities and direct ocean access. Onshore facilities near to the marina include the Dome café and Ngarkal Beach with its shaded areas, BBQ’s, ablutions and water playground. Future development plans for the Marina include up to an additional 150 mooring pens and a longer public jetty for day visitors to enjoy visiting the area by boat.

ENDS

For more information contact:  
Media and Communications Officer  
City of Cockburn  
T: 08 9411 3551  
E: media@cockburn.wa.gov.au