

TRAILBLAZER N018 REPORT - Saturday 11/05/13 – Meelup Conservation Park – Dunsborough

Trailblazer No18 was successfully conducted in Dunsborough with a few “firsts” for our intrepid off road group.

The first “first” saw a total of 14 people meet in the dark car park adjacent to the Old Dunsborough Boat Ramp, with 13 of us heading off for a run whilst our 14th participant went for a walk in completely the opposite direction. Go figure!

The second “first” was our superhero guest Sherpa Marie “The Invisible Woman” Chauveau. It seems that Marie’s skills far exceed the list of talents that we give her credit for. For the first time, like magic, we had our guest Sherpa nowhere to be seen. We were seeking her here and we were seeking her there, but no visible sign could be found. But again, just like magic, the run went off without a hitch. Neil didn’t get lost and Ian didn’t trip over. More impressive still, the weather cleared and given the previous three days of crap weather, Marie’s superhuman influence extended beyond her power of “invisibility” to “god like” talents of weather control. Well done Marie!

Note: Although we could not actually see Marie during the run, we know she must have been there as we had no problem hearing Frank.

The third “first” for our merry band of off roaders was the very “visible” presence of the Margaret River Trail Runners members who made the effort to join us for the first time on this run. A big thank you again for the magnificent seven for travelling on what could have been a horrid morning (weather wise).

In the end, the weather turned out to be perfect for running and we all had a great trail running experience on what I believe is one of the most picturesque courses that we use. There was also a very enjoyable breakfast had by all at the Artezan Cafe after the run. Well done Dunsborough!

For those of you that have not undertaken this run from Dunsborough, through the Meelup Conservation Park to Eagle Bay and return, the coastal section from the Old Dunsborough Boat Ramp through to Point Piquet is very scenic and enjoyable. Mostly flat terrain, it can be uneven and rocky at times, however the limestone walking trail is also very well formed on other sections, resulting in a real variety of surfaces to traverse.

So where to next? Tyrell Rd, Dardanup beckons on Saturday 8 June at 6.30am and guest Sherpa Tony Raudino will keep us on track. See you there.

Sherpa Whitfield (Allan)

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