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WA Marine & Coastal Community Library Now Available to Public

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What would you do with many years of interesting marine and coastal information, including newsletters, posters, books and journals that have been lovingly collected, archived away and untouched for years? This was the issue facing the Marine Coastal Community Network (MCCN) as they began to re-sort the WA office space.

The solution – showcase the collection at one of Western Australia's best community centres – the Naragebup Rockingham Regional Environment Centre. This move has ensured that the library is available to the general public six days a week, providing a valuable resource to local schools, community groups and the general public.

“It's a very impressive collection that provides the community with an array of interesting and informative marine and coastal materials, not found anywhere else in Australia. The library would be of particular interest to students studying marine science, as well as local individuals or groups who have a passion for the marine and coastal environment. The Naragebup Rockingham Regional Environment Centre is also a great place to spend an afternoon, which is an added bonus!” said MCCN's WA Regional Co-ordinator Kate Rogulskyj.

Naragebup is the first purpose built environment centre in Western Australia. It is a valuable community resource - community built, community run, non-profit organization and open to the public six days a week.

The public can visit Naragebup on Safety Bay Rd, Peron, or contact the centre on: Telephone: (08) 9591 3077 Mobile: 0413 824 101 Email: rrec@naragebup.org.au or check out Website: <http://www.naragebup.org.au/>.

MCCN Background:

The Marine Coastal Community Network is a national, not-for-profit network. It aims to inform, engage, and connect community interests, government and industry to facilitate positive outcomes for the conservation of marine biodiversity and ecological processes, and the ecologically sustainable use of Australia's marine and coastal environments.

There are currently over 10,000 organisations, groups and individuals who use the services of the Network, covering government agencies, industry and the community sector.

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