

Bibbulmun Track Foundation - Honorary Life Membership



Mark Davidson

Awarded: 2024

Mark Davidson has made a significant contribution to the Bibbulmun Track and the Foundation through his work as a volunteer. Most prominently, his leadership in Track maintenance work is a key factor in the development, success and productivity of the Support Volunteer team.

Mark's support for the Foundation is long-standing; he has been a member since 1999 and a volunteer since 2009. Initially a Sectional maintenance volunteer, he has been responsible for the care of Helena River to Waalegh campsite (including the campsite), and later Conspicuous Beach carpark to The Gap 4WD track, including Rame Head campsite.

In 2015, Mark became a regular office volunteer. He eventually focused on the Track maintenance program, including single-handedly processing all the incoming reports from sectional volunteers. He has been at the forefront of developing processes to manage Track maintenance issues, and facilitated the building of strong relationships with key personnel in PaWS District offices. After several years, he transferred to a volunteer role in the Recreation and Trails Unit, working on Bibbulmun Track realignments through the DAS approvals process. This work contributes to the ongoing world class status of the Bibbulmun Track.

Mark was a founding member of the maintenance Support volunteers and has willingly adopted a senior role in project and team management. He has been involved in recruiting and supporting new SVs, plays a major role in the development of long-term maintenance plans and budgets, and his planning and execution are responsible for successful completion of major projects funded by NRM grants.

Mark has given an incredible amount of his time as a volunteer, averaging nearly 1,800 hours p.a., for the last 7 years. His valuable contributions have previously been recognised by DBCA with a 'Highly Commended' in 2016 and 'Outstanding Service' in 2023. It is most appropriate that his contribution now be recognised with an Honorary Life Membership.