



New South Wales Government

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Grant for Walking Trails Supports Marathon

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, is encouraging people to take part in the second Wagga Wagga trail marathon being held this Sunday, 16 August.

"I'm pleased to announce a grant of \$5,000 to Wagga Wagga City Council to improve facilities along the Crown reserve trails which will support the marathon," Mr Kelly said.

"The Wagga Wagga trail marathon is a wonderful event that brings out the best in the whole community not just the runners," Mr Kelly said.

"Money invested in these trails will benefit the whole community and contribute to keeping the marathon continuing for many years.

Mr Kelly said the course follows a scenic route along Murrumbidgee River, around Flowerdale lagoon and Pomingalarna reserve, through Silvalite reserve, past Lake Albert and then follows back along the river.

"The 42km course follows parts of the Wiradjuri walking track and various Crown reserves managed by the Land and Property Management Authority (LPMA) in conjunction with Wagga Wagga City Council," Mr Kelly said.

"The LPMA has also been working closely with the council to create an underpass at the Sturt Highway to link Pomingalarna and Silvalite reserves with a pedestrian and cycle path.

"In fact, this year the General Manager of Crown Lands, Graham Harding, will be participating in the marathon to show his support," Mr Kelly said.

"The Rees Government is committed to encouraging more people to use Crown reserves for recreation".

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