

CITY OF WANNEROO HERITAGE



10th Light Horse

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During World War II, 600 men of the 10th Light Horse made their home in the bushland of Wanneroo. Strategically located between the ocean and Pearce Air Base, the proud men of the 10th and their mounts played an important role in protecting the shores of Western Australia from the threat of Japanese sea attack.

The regiment first camped in Wanneroo on the east side of Wanneroo Road and south of Ashley Road, but later moved to the site of today's commemorative trail.

Little evidence remains of the first camp, whereas the second still bears the distinctive horse lines and camp group foundations.

The second camp also has the distinction of being the final camp for Australia's last wartime mounted regiment. On 14th April 1944, the men of the 10th handed in their saddles and gear, said farewell to their horses and prepared to ship out to other units and into battle against Japanese forces.

This 1.2km trail is located just north of the Flynn Drive and Wanneroo Road intersection and provides a lasting tribute to the 10th Light Horse.

