

Activity Report

Clean4shore Program - Hawkesbury Estuary and Brisbane Waters



Clean4shore: 2018 National Landcare "Peoples Choice" Award Winner		
Project Funded From:	Federal Governments Environment Restoration Fund	
Coordinator:	Clean4shore Inc NSW - Graham Johnston 0411 184 642 jonomacs@bigpond.com	
Date: 18 th February 2021	Time 9.00 to 12.00pm	Duration of Activity (hrs): 3
Field Trip Location: Brisbane Waters Caroline Bay & Erina Creek Local government area : Robertson		
Staff attending: Clean4shore Josh St Edwards College	Number of volunteers: 10 Total Volunteer hours: 30	
Partner Organisation/Volunteer Group, assisting at the activity: St Edwards Christian Brother College		
Craft: Clean4shore Barge	Driver: Simon	
Task: Remove litter from the foreshores and mangroves close to the St Edwards college		
Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big low tide prevented access to school jetty with the students completing a litter clean up in the mangroves adjacent to their main oval. Plenty of food wrapping and smaller hard plastics. Consistent with storm gutter litter. • The team then walked to the headlands just past the Japanese Gardens with bulk litter in the mangroves behind the schools car park. A storm water creek is adjacent to this site and the likely cause of the bulk litter. • Entering Erina creek the mangroves to the east of the Punt Road bridge were cleaned for 100 metres, again plenty of smaller litter plus an old mattress. • Erina Creek had its usual illegal crab traps removed (6 in total) plus some large items including industrial plastic, metal car parts, old abandoned chairs, large piece of carpet and closer to Barralong Road bridge three shopping trollies were removed. • The foreshore adjacent to the Central Coast Highway near the Council turn off had three large bags of litter, mostly washed from the road or drifted downstream • Pending thunderstorms had our team heading for home yet again the low tide prevented access to the schools jetty. The team then cleaned the foreshores back from the Japanese gardens to the school, removing another three full bags. • All litter was delivered to Woy Woy Tip from the barge. 		
Bags of litter collected = 12 plus bulk Weight of litter collected = 380 kg Council Disposal Fee: \$16.00		
Education Learning Outcomes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to educate these student in estuary management and the effect of litter in the waterways 		
Recommendation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisit these sites on a higher tide 		
Expenditure: Barge operator fee, coordinator fee, disposal transport, disposal fee, volunteer lunch		
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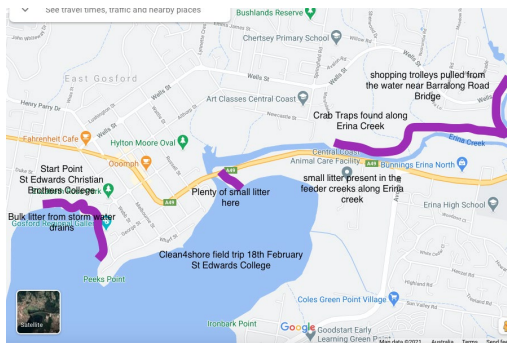


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Today's clean up sites completed by the St Edwards team

big load coming out of Erina Creek



Plenty of small litter from the Creek near the car park

Shopping trolleys from beneath the Barralong Bridge



Red Bull umbrella pulled from Erina Creek

Illegal crab nets are always present in Erina Creek

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Tangaroa Blue Statistics

Name of Cleanup Location: Brisbane Waters			
Cleanup Locality: Erina Creek & Caroline Bay			Locality Postcode: 2251
Nearest Town: Erina		Nearest Road or Landmark: Central Coast Highway	
Date: 18 th February 2021	Start time: 9am	Finish time: 12 noon	Number Volunteers: 10
Contact: Name: Graham Johnston		Phone or email: jonomacs@bigpond.com	
Organisation: St Edwards Christian Brother College East Gosford			
Total Filled Bags: 12	Total Weight: 380 kg		Foreshore Cleaned: 5 km
Average Width of Beach: 5 metres		Type of Adjoining land: Crown	

	Plastic Items	Total	Tally and Note
Consumer Items	Cigarette butts & filters	0	
	Cigarette lighters	58	
	Pens, markers & other plastic stationary	31	
	Straws, confection sticks, cups, plates & cutlery	102	
	Toothbrushes, brushes & combs, hair ties etc	6	
	Toys, party poppers, ribbons, clips & similar	61	
Packaging Items	Bleach & cleaner bottles	2	
	Lids & tops, pump spray, flow restrictor & similar	104	
	Personal care & pharmaceutical packaging	2	
	Plastic bags supermarket, garbage, dog poo, ice	9	Most in bits
	Plastic containers non food (oil, sealant, chemical)	4	
	Plastic drink bottles (water, juice, milk, soft drink)	125	
	Plastic packaging food (wrap, packets, containers)	675	Plenty of these
	Plastic wrap non food (bubble wrap etc)	4	
	Strapping band scraps	2	
Fishing Items	Strapping band whole (record as single item)	0	
	Bait & tackle bags & packaging	11	
	Bait containers & lids, bait savers	10	
	Commercial fishing remnants (float, pot, crate bits)	0	
	Cylume glow sticks	0	
	Fishing line in metres (recreational)	4	
	Recreational fishing items (lures, floats, rods, reels)	3	
	Rope & net scraps less than 1 metre	2	
Re	Rope (estimated length in metres)	0	
	Plastic bits & pieces hard & solid	276	All very small
	Plastic film remnants (bits of plastic bag, wrap etc)	365	

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Remnants burnt plastic	109	
Foamed Plastic (Polystyrene) Items		
Foam buoys	0	
Foam cups, food packs & trays	12	
Foam insulation & packaging (whole and remnants)	216	
Other Materials		
Oil globules & tar-balls	0	
Sanitary (tissues, nappies, Condoms, cotton buds)	0	
Shoes leather & fabric	4	
Glass & Ceramic Items		
Fluorescent light tubes and bulbs	0	
Glass beer stubbies & pre-mixed alcohol bottles	7	
Glass jars & sauce bottles	0	
Glass or ceramic broken	0	
Glass wine, spirit and similar bottles	12	
Cloth Items		
Binding, thread, string & cord natural	7	
Cloth, clothing, hats & towels	12	
Metal Items		
Aerosol cans	5	
Aluminium cans	28	
Foil wrappers, packets, bladders & alfoil	2	
Metal bottle caps, lids & pull tabs	0	
Metal fishing items (sinkers, lures, hooks, traps, pots)	0	
Tins under 4 litres (food, drink tins and similar)	0	
Paper & Cardboard Items		
Newspaper, magazines & brochures	0	
Paper & cardboard packaging	0	
Tetra packs & drink cartons	0	
Rubber Items		
Rubber balloons, balls & toys, elastic straps & bands	74	
Rubber footwear & thongs	18	
Rubber remnants	31	
Wood Items		
Brooms, brushes & paint brushes	0	
Processed timber, pallets & other wood	6	
Wooden confection sticks, pencils, matches etc	0	
Additional Items		
Metal stools	3	
Red bull outdoor umbrella	1	

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Shopping trollies	4	
Car tyre	1	
Crab traps	6	
Household carpet	1	Piece 4 metres square
Metal tin sheets	2	
Car axle	1	
Foam mattress	1	
Glass outdoor table top	1	Metre round
Additional Information		
Did you observe any plastic resin pellets ?	N	
Did you observe any dead/injured animals or birds ?	N	
Did you observe any highly unusual foreshore conditions ?	N	
Other comments and feedback:		

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