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Clean4shore: 2018 National Landcare "Peoples Choice" Award Winner

Project Funded From: Central Coast Council Grant

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Date: 23rd November 2023 | Time 8.30 am to 12.00 | Duration of Activity (hrs): 3.5

Field Trip Location: Brisbane Waters (Erina Bay & Erina Creek)

Local Government area: Central Coast LGA,

Staff attending: Jessica Number of volunteers: 12
Total Volunteer hours: 42

Partner Organisation/Volunteer Group, assisting at the activity:

St Edward College East Gosford

Craft: Clean4shore Barge Driver: Simon

Task: Remove litter from the foreshores of Erina bay & Erina Creek

Report:

- Very overcast day with showers constantly did not disturb the boys from St Eddies, keen for a challenge and to clean their local waterway.
- Erina Bay had enough water for a quick clean with 200 metres and eight full bags removed. Plenty of gutter rubbish here wash ashore by the strong southerly winds. A falling tide made for a quick exit.
- The mangroves either side of the Punt Bridge also had bulk rubbish with marine timber debris from the demolished local vessel still present. Eight full bags from here.
- Close to the local hotel two abandoned campsite were cleaned with shopping trollies, galvanized tin, shadecloth and plenty of cans and bottles removed.
- Behind the industrial factory bays more illegal dumping with shopping trollies, exercise machine car tyres and more rubbish collected.
- The foreshore on Erina Creek close to the Council Depot turn off had bulk small litter, again washed into the Creek from the adjoining Central Coast Highway.

Bags of litter collected = 22 = Bulk Weight of litter collected 480 kilos Council Disposal Fee: ????

Education Learning Outcomes:

• Gutter rubbish an issue along Erina Creek

Recommendation

• Continue the Clean up of this waterway

Expenditure:

• Barge operator \$440, Coordinator \$460, Volunteer Lunch \$100, Volunteer water \$14, Equipment & Disposal transport \$150, Disposal Fee \$

















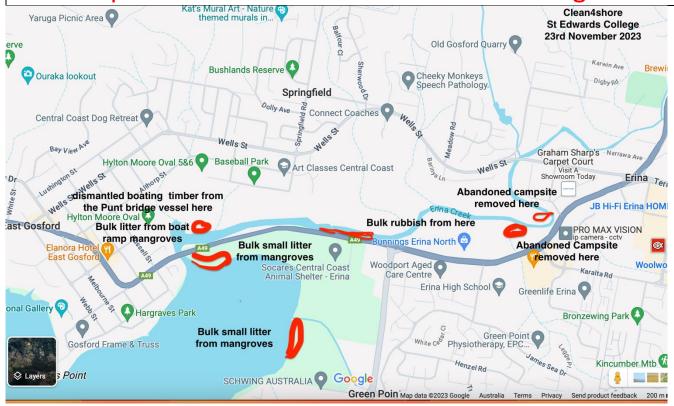
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Todays field trip site with the St Edwards College team



Big load returning to St Edwards College



Campsite opposite the local Hotel













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Trolley coming out behind the factory bays





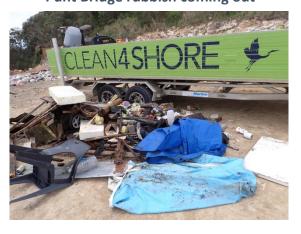
Marine timber from the Puntb bridge boat



Punt Bridge rubbish coming out



Plenty of recyclable cans now being thrown out



Todays big load at Woy Woy Tip

Tangaroa Blue Statistics

















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Name of Cleanup Location: **Brisbane Waters** Cleanup Locality: Erina Bay & Erina Creek **Locality Postcode: 2251** Nearest Town: Erina **Nearest Road or Landmark: Central Coast Highway** Date: 23rd November 2023 **Number Volunteers: 12** Start time: 8.30am Finish time: 12.00pm **Contact: Name: Graham Johnston** Phone or email: jonomacs@bigpond.com Organisation: St Edward College East Gosford Total Filled Bags: 22 + bulk Total Weight: 480 kilos Foreshore Cleaned: 3 km Average Width of Beach: 10 metres Type of Adjoining land: Crown

	Plastic Items	Total	Tally and Note			
Consumor Home	Cigarette butts & filters	0				
	Cigarette lighters	14				
	Pens, markers & other plastic stationary	8				
	Straws, confection sticks, cups, plates & cutlery	34				
	Toothbrushes, brushes & combs, hair ties etc	0				
	Toys, party poppers, ribbons, clips & similar	36				
	Bleach & cleaner bottles	10				
	Lids & tops, pump spray, flow restrictor & similar	47				
,	Personal care & pharmaceutical packaging	2				
3	Plastic bags supermarket, garbage, dog poo, ice	0	all in bits			
<u>*</u>	Plastic containers non food (oil, sealant, chemical)	04				
;	Plastic drink bottles (water, juice, milk, soft drink)	208				
	Plastic packaging food (wrap, packets, containers)	315				
ء	Plastic wrap non food (bubble wrap etc)	<u>6</u>				
	Strapping band scraps	10				
	Strapping band whole (record as single item)	2				
	Bait & tackle bags & packaging	16				
	Bait containers & lids, bait savers	5				
	Commercial fishing remnants (float, pot, crate bits)	0				
<u> </u>	Cylume glow sticks	4				
2	Fishing line in metres (recreational)	7				
1	Recreational fishing items (lures, floats, rods, reels)	8	Hand reels			
	Rope & net scraps less than 1 metre	12				
	Rope (estimated length in metres)	5				
Remnants	Plastic bits & pieces hard & solid	129				
	Plastic film remnants (bits of plastic bag, wrap etc)	351				
	Remnants burnt plastic	21				
F	Foamed Plastic (Polystyrene) Items					

















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Foam buoys	2	
Foam cups, food packs & trays	0	Most in pieces
Foam insulation & packaging (whole and remnants)	114	·
Other Materials		
Oil globules & tar-balls	0	
Sanitary (tissues, nappies, Condoms, cotton buds)	0	
Shoes leather & fabric		
Glass & Ceramic Items		
Fluorescent light tubes and bulbs	0	
Glass beer stubbies & pre-mixed alcohol bottles	41	
Glass jars & sauce bottles	0	
Glass or ceramic broken	0	Left
Glass wine, spirit and similar bottles	17	
Cloth Items		
Binding, thread, string & cord natural	5	
Cloth, clothing, hats & towels	14	
Metal Items		
Aerosol cans	5	
Aluminium cans	58	Most from campsites
Foil wrappers, packets, bladders & alfoil	7	·
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)	10	Campsite
Paper & Cardboard Items		
Newspaper, magazines & brochures	0	
Paper & cardboard packaging	7	
Tetra packs & drink cartons	0	
Rubber Items		
Rubber balloons, balls & toys, elastic straps & bands	154	
Rubber footwear & thongs	26	
Rubber remnants	41	
Wood Items		
Brooms, brushes & paint brushes	0	
Processed timber, pallets & other wood	25	Treatred pine mostly
Wooden confection sticks, pencils, matches etc	0	
Additional Items		
Metal tin roofing	6	Sheets from campsite
Metal shopping trollies	4	Recycled
Car tyre on rim	1	Recycled
Metal exercise machine		

















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Fibreglass vessels complete	4			
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: Three still to come				











