

Activity Report

Clean4shore Program - Hawkesbury Estuary and Brisbane Waters



Clean4shore: 2018 National Landcare "Peoples Choice" Award Winner		
Project Funded From:		Central Coast Council Funds
Coordinator:	Clean4shore: Graham Johnston Email: Jonomacs@clean4shore.org.au 0411184642	
Date: 4 th March 2025	Time : 9am to 12.00	Duration of Activity (hrs): 3
Field Trip Location: Brisbane Waters (Caroline Bay, Yttalunga, Erina Creek) Local Government area : Central Coast Council		
Staff attending: Mark Reynolds	Number of volunteers: 11 Total Volunteer hours: 33	
Partner Organisation/Volunteer Group, assisting at the activity: St Edwards College East Gosford		
Craft: Clean4shore Barge	Driver: Simon	
Task: Remove litter from the foreshores of Brisbane Waters		
Report:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overcast skies and a very low tide restricted access to Erina Bay with the students first cleaning litter from the mangroves adjacent to their main oval. Most of this is generated from the storm water drains coming from the Central Coast Highway. Crossing to Green Point mangroves only small amounts of litter collected with five car tyres collected. Yattalonga mangroves had much more small litter with another five full bags plus oyster baskets, kayak, mattresses and timber. All had to be carried 50 metres to the barge due to the low tide. Dave Read & Graham Pace collected five full bags in the Erina creek mangroves on Sunday during Clean up Australia day. These were carried onto the barge. Erina creek had three crab traps, plus three bags of small litter loaded into the barge. An abandoned campsite close to the local hotel had an old campsite cleaned up with bulk rubbish loaded in and around the campsite. Big load returned to the school with all boys and staff enjoying a productive morning 		
Bags of litter collected = 20 bags + bulk Weight of litter collected: 420 kilos Council Disposal Fee: \$115.14		
Education Learning Outcomes:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plenty of litter present 		
Recommendation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up Erina Bay on a higher tide. 		
Expenditure:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barge operator \$550, Coordinator \$560, Transport \$200, Lunch \$90, Disposal \$115.14 Total \$1515.14 		

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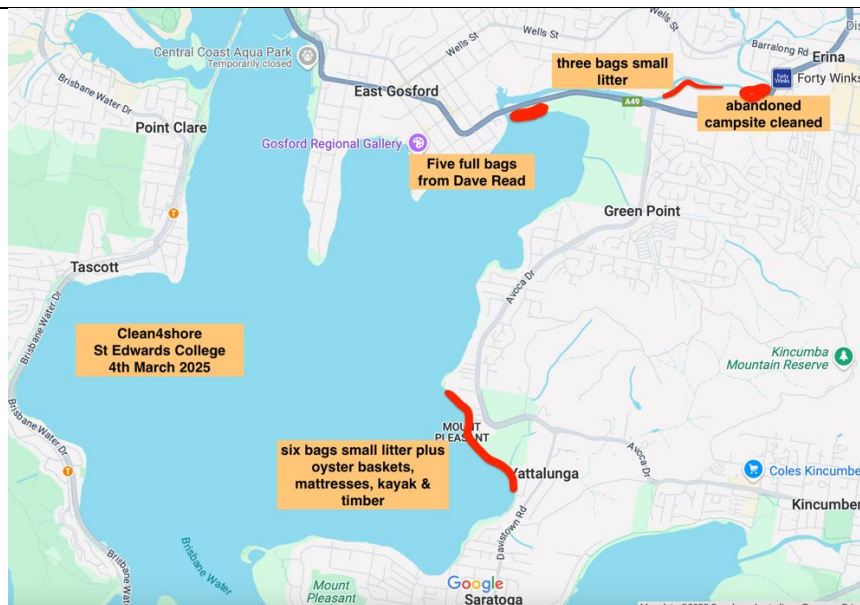
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Today's Field Trip Site by St Edwards College



Larger items collected today tyres/metal recycled

Smaller items off loaded



Full load returning

Part of the campsite



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Tangaroa Blue Statistics

Name of Cleanup Location: Brisbane Waters			
Cleanup Locality: Caroline Bay, Yattalunga, Erina Creek			Locality Postcode: 2251
Nearest Town: Erina / Green Point		Nearest Road or Landmark: Caroline Bay	
Date: 4 th March 2025	Start time: 9.00am	Finish time: 12.00pm	Number Volunteers: 11
Contact: Name: Graham Johnston		Phone or email: jonomacs@clean4shore.org.au	
Organisation: St Edwards College East Gosford			
Total Filled Bags: 20 + Bulk		Total Weight: 420 kilos	Foreshore Cleaned: 2 km
Average Width of Beach: 5 metres		Type of Adjoining land: Crown	

	Plastic Items	Total	Tally and Note
Consumer	Cigarette butts & filters	0	
	Cigarette lighters	14	
	Pens, markers & other plastic stationary	16	
	Straws, confection sticks, cups, plates & cutlery	26	
	Toothbrushes, brushes & combs, hair ties etc	8	
	Toys, party poppers, ribbons, clips & similar	35	
Packaging Items	Bleach & cleaner bottles	8	
	Lids & tops, pump spray, flow restrictor & similar	27	
	Personal care & pharmaceutical packaging	2	
	Plastic bags supermarket, garbage, dog poo, ice	3	Most in bits
	Plastic containers non food (oil, sealant, chemical)	6	
	Plastic drink bottles (water, juice, milk, soft drink)	243	
	Plastic packaging food (wrap, packets, containers)	309	
	Plastic wrap non food (bubble wrap etc)	11	
	Strapping band scraps	9	
Fishing Items	Strapping band whole (record as single item)	0	
	Bait & tackle bags & packaging	25	
	Bait containers & lids, bait savers	17	
	Commercial fishing remnants (float, pot, crate bits)	2	
	Cylume glow sticks	0	
	Fishing line in metres (recreational)	4	
	Recreational fishing items (lures, floats, rods, reels)	6	
	Rope & net scraps less than 1 metre	7	
	Rope (estimated length in metres)	7	
Re	Plastic bits & pieces hard & solid	209	
	Plastic film remnants (bits of plastic bag, wrap etc)	287	

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Remnants burnt plastic	12	
Foamed Plastic (Polystyrene) Items		
Foam buoys	2	
Foam cups, food packs & trays	32	All in bits
Foam insulation & packaging (whole and remnants)	76	Not as much here
Other Materials		
Oil globules & tar-balls	0	
Sanitary (tissues, nappies, Condoms, cotton buds)	3	
Shoes leather & fabric	6	
Glass & Ceramic Items		
Fluorescent light tubes and bulbs	0	
Glass beer stubbies & pre-mixed alcohol bottles	9	
Glass jars & sauce bottles	0	
Glass or ceramic broken	13	
Glass wine, spirit and similar bottles	17	
Cloth Items		
Binding, thread, string & cord natural	3	
Cloth, clothing, hats & towels	1	
Metal Items		
Aerosol cans	5	
Aluminium cans	27	
Foil wrappers, packets, bladders & alfoil	0	
Metal bottle caps, lids & pull tabs	0	
Metal fishing items (sinkers, lures, hooks, traps, pots)	3	
Tins under 4 litres (food, drink tins and similar)	5	
Paper & Cardboard Items		
Newspaper, magazines & brochures	0	
Paper & cardboard packaging	9	
Tetra packs & drink cartons	3	
Rubber Items		
Rubber balloons, balls & toys, elastic straps & bands	28	
Rubber footwear & thongs	15	
Rubber remnants	31	
Wood Items		
Brooms, brushes & paint brushes	0	
Processed timber, pallets & other wood	3	
Wooden confection sticks, pencils, matches etc	0	
Additional Items		
Fibreglass kayak	1	
Plastic oyster baskets	7	

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Plastic crates, drums, buckets, chairs 20 litres	5	
Metal crab traps	3	
Metal shopping trolley	1	
Metal bicycle	1	
Foam mattress & Bunting	2	
Boating cushion	1	
Car tyres	6	recycled
Boat bunting	1	
Timber chair & building material	3	
Nylon tent	2	
Did you observe any plastic resin pellets ?	N	
Did you observe any dead/injured animals or birds ?	N	
Did you observe any unusual foreshore conditions ?	N	
Other comments and feedback: low tide made collection difficult		

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