



CLEAN BEACH CHALLENGE 2008

ENTRY for Griffith Centre for Coastal Management & Dept. of Transport

Location: The Spit
Nippers SLSC to The Seaway



SITE PHOTOS



SITE DETAILS (Oct 2007 – Oct 2008)

Overview of GCCM activities:

- The Southport School (TSS) - Planted dune plants and collected litter as part of their community services week, The activity included dune planting, watering, weeding, clearing and litter collection. TSS spend an entire day collecting litter from the northern end of The Spit.
- Coomera Anglican College also participated in litter collection and dune planting as part of their community services week in September. They spent a few hours each day conducting a range of activities including collecting litter, planting 150 cuttings, weeding, fertilizing, and the removal of approximately 300 grow bags.
- BrizStay - With the arrival of the Pope in Australia, 50 church youth group members from Australia, USA and East Timor spent one day at Federation Walk planting and mulching 50 trees and learning about the coastal environment.
- Surf Coach - 600 Japanese students from Hanaski Tokuharu High School arrived at Federation Walk in conjunction with Surf Coach to learn about the coastal environment and surf safety. It was our biggest BeachCare activity yet! Over six days, groups of students weeded a total area of 200m² and planted over 600 cuttings in the foredunes.
- Emmanuel College - 150 year 8 students planted 75 dune plants in conjunction with various CoastEd sessions learning about the human impacts on the local environment
- St Michaels - 50 year 10 students planted 50 plants in conjunction with a CoastEd session on the importance of dune plants in a coastal environment
- Pacific Pines - 200 year 6 students planted 100 dune plants over a 2 day period. They were also involved in CoastEd sessions to do with the local coastal environment.
- Coomera Anglican College - 110 year 7 students completed a litter pick-up and audit as well as a dune planting activity were they planted 55 dune plants.
- Griffith University Environmental students undertake monthly maintenance activities including weed management, grow bag removal, fertilising, watering and instillation of cuttings.

Overview of DOT activities:

- Waterways Infrastructure & Planning - South maintain the spit area by:
 - Working with GCCC to place Basalt boulders to prevent unwanted vehicle access to the beach area
 - Planting of pig face and goats foot to prevent corrosion
 - Maintain Rock training walls
 - Employ full time staff to maintain DJP and beach areas
 - DOT employs GCCC to collect rubbish on a daily basis
 - Through our education program we promote the environment and beach protection

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