

Dear All,

This WSUD e-newsletter contains information on **(1)** More of Brisbane City Council's Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines Released **(2)** NHMRC Guidelines for Managing Risks in Recreational Water released **(3)** Free Public Lectures at UNSW 24 to 26 October **(4)** Post Suburban Sydney Symposium **(5)** WSUD.ORG site now searchable **(6)** WSUD NSW 2005 Seminar Proceedings CD Available

1. Brisbane City Council's Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines

Brisbane City Council has released more of their **Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines** for comment. **Chapters 4 – 8**, which cover sedimentation basins, bioretention basins, constructed wetlands, infiltration measures and sand filters have now been released. **Chapter 10** is also now available and it covers aquifer storage and recovery. Two more chapters from the draft guidelines will be released in the future. The 4 chapters (Chap 1-3 and 12) released earlier and those mentioned above can all be downloaded from:

http://www.healthywaterways.org/wsud_technical_design_guidelines.html

2. NHMRC Guidelines for Managing Risks in Recreational Water

The GUIDELINES for MANAGING RISKS IN RECREATIONAL WATER can be downloaded from the NHMRC web site (note PDF file is small, but Word version isn't!).

<http://www7.health.gov.au/nhmrc/publications/synopses/eh38.htm>

The primary aim of the guidelines is to protect human health from threats posed by the recreational use of coastal, estuarine and fresh waters. Threats covered include natural hazards, such as surf, rip currents and aquatic organisms, and those with an artificial aspect, such as discharges of wastewater.

The document is divided into two parts:

- **Part 1: The guidelines** — Chapters 1 and 2, which provide a general overview of the management of recreational water, including a table of the key recommendations included in the guidelines
- **Part 2: Supporting information** — Chapters 3–10, which provide detailed information on potential hazards associated with recreational waters.

3. Free Public Lectures @ UNSW Mon 24th to Wed 26th Oct

Monday 24th October 6pm- 8pm Kensington Group Public Lecture

Robyn Williams - ABC radio - MC

Surendra Shrestha - UNEP - The Global Environmental Crisis

Malcolm Turnbull MP - The Australian Government's initiatives to engage with Youth on the Environment and Sustainable Cities report

Please note there are also free morning sessions on Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th Oct between 9am and 10.30am

Monday 24th October

9am - 10.30am

UNEP Surendra Shrestha - UNEP & the role of youth to improve the region's environment

UNSW Dean of Science Prof Mike Archer - Biodiversity

IES Dr Mark Diesendorf - Climate Change

Tuesday 25th October 2005

9am- 10.30am

Susan Thomson - community gardens & community building

Greg Leslie - communicating controversial water projects to the community

Wednesday 26th October 2005

9am- 10.30am

Ian Kiernan - Clean Up the World - a program of projects
Sue Lennox - Oz Green – Youth as Community Leaders
Stuart Hill - Small meaningful steps and making progress

All lectures to be held at UNSW Kensington Campus, Leighton Hall, Scientia Building.

Map of location within UNSW campus available at:

<http://www.conferencing.unsw.edu.au/images/contact/venue.pdf>

Transport information available at:

<http://www.conferencing.unsw.edu.au/text/contact/contact2.htm>

4. Post Suburban Sydney: City in Transformation Symposium

How are we to understand the spatial order of contemporary Sydney? What models describe its emergent forms? Is suburbia its own 'way of life', and where precisely is it? Is there now (or was there ever) such a mode of urban being with a set of defining cultural, political and landscape values?

The symposium is being organised by the Centre for Cultural Research at University of Western Sydney on 22-23 November, 2005, Riverside Theatre, Parramatta

More info can be found at: <http://sites.uws.edu.au/uws/conferences/postsub/>

5. WSUD.ORG Now Searchable

The internal search engine on the WSUD.ORG website is working well and people have been searching the site and the PDF files for specific information. There are now more than 200 PDF files on the site (mostly on the literature and case study pages) so searchability had become necessary. The search engine is very fast and located on each page of the site (left hand panel). Go to the site and give it a go, but remember to be fairly specific with your search or you will end up with a large number of files to look through! www.wsud.org

6. WSUD NSW 2005 Seminar & Sites Visits CD of Proceedings

The seminar and site visits were a great success with 130 people attending the seminar and 56 coming along to visit four sites the next day. I have compiled a CD of proceedings for both days and it was sent out to all attendees of either day last week. It contains all the sustainable water challenge projects (case studies) mentioned above and presentations given by the keynote presenters and councils on the day, sites visits information, exhibitor's materials and case studies as well as additional WSUD planning and design materials developed as part of this project.

I still have an extra 5 copies of the CD, so if you were unable to attend and would like to purchase a copy please contact john@wsud.org The cost per CD (cost recovery) is \$22, which includes GST and postage and handling.

If you have a water sustainability related policy, case study, report or an event/seminar coming up please email me the details and I will endeavour to put the information up on the wsud.org website and/or include it in this e-newsletter.

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