

Dear All,

This WSUD e-newsletter contains information on **(1)** 2005 Sustainable Water Challenge Results **(2)** 2005 WSUD NSW Seminar & Site Visits CD of Proceedings Available **(3)** Part of Brisbane City Council's Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines Released **(4)** WSUD.ORG site now searchable **(5)** Local Govt Water Quality Monitoring Toolkit Available **(6)** Additional WSUD Papers & Pictures added to WSUD.ORG website

1. 2005 Sustainable Water Challenge Category Results

21 entries were received as part of the Sustainable Water Challenge 2005, which is most projects ever. Thanks to all those councils who entered projects and a special thanks to those short-listed councils who gave brief presentations on their projects at the seminar on the 17th of August. The results for all projects in each of the categories are shown below.

Commercial & Industrial Category		
Lismore City Council	Winner	Effluent reuse at East Lismore Waste Water Treatment Works
Parramatta City Council	Highly Commended	Doyle Ground Water Recycling Plant
Rockdale Council	Commended	Water Reuse Truck Wash Facility
Community Engagement Category		
Kogarah Council	Winner	Rainwater Tanks in Schools Project
Newcastle City Council	Highly Commended	Clean Streets - Clean Beach (Dixon Park & Bar Beach Catchment)
North Sydney Council	Highly Commended	Coal Loader Sustainability Centre
WSUD Infill Category		
Hornsby Shire Council	Winner	Development and Embellishment of Brickpit Park - Dartford Road, Thornleigh
Landscape Category		
City of Sydney	Highly Commended	Darlinghurst Road Upgrade – Street Tree Bioretention
Hornsby Shire Council	Winner	Dechannelisation and Riparian Reinstatement - Kent Street, Epping
Newcastle City Council	Highly Commended	Ironbark Creek Rehabilitation Works
Planning and Policy Category		
Hawkesbury Council	Commended	Environmental/Stormwater Levy Program
Hornsby Shire Council	Highly Commended	Total Water Cycle Management Strategy and Model
Queanbeyan City Council	Winner	Queanbeyan City Council's Waterwise Program
Retrofit Category		
Holroyd City Council	Commended	Darling St Carpark Filtration System - Stage 1
Kiama Council	Highly Commended	Hindmarsh Park Sandfilter

Ku-ring-gai Council	Highly Commended	Minnamurra Avenue Water Sensitive Road Project
Manly Council	Commended	Tania Park Storm Water Improvement Project
Mosman Council	Commended	Mosman Green
Newcastle City Council	Commended	Water Harvest
Newcastle City Council	Winner	ECO☆STAR™ (Environmental Rating System for Parks)
Newcastle City Council	Highly Commended	Gregory Parade Park- "Unearthing the Creek" in the Kotara Roof to Creek Project.

If you want to find out more about the Sustainable Water Challenge go to:

www.wsud.org/swc.htm

The Sustainable Water Challenge was held in 2003 and 2004 and the projects entered can be found at www.wsud.org/case_studies.htm

2. **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 had an extra 15 copies of the CD burnt, so if you were unable to attend and would like to purchase (cost recovery) a copy please contact john@wsud.org The cost per CD is \$22, which includes GST and postage and handling.

3. **Brisbane City Council Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines**

Brisbane City Council has released part of their Draft WSUD Engineering Guidelines for comment. **Chapters 1 – 3**, which covers an introduction to WSUD, swales, buffer strips and bioretention swales. **Chapter 12** is also available and it covers landscape notes and recommended plant lists. More chapters from the draft guidelines will be released in the future. The 4 chapters mentioned above can be downloaded from:

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

4. **WSUD.ORG Now Searchable**

I have purchased and installed an internal search engine on the WSUD.ORG website that allows you to search inside the PDF files as well as the pages of the site. 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

5. **Local Government Water Quality Monitoring Toolkit**

This toolkit was developed on water quality monitoring for local government last year. It covers most of the things you would need to know about setting up and running a water quality monitoring program. It can be accessed from WSROC's website at:

<http://www.wsroc.com.au/wqm/>

6. **Additional WSUD Papers and Pictures added to Website**

Thanks to those people who have sent in pictures, literature and case studies to add to the WSUD.ORG website. I have included several new papers onto the WSUD literature

page in the WSUD Literature on Specific Developments section. I have also added additional pictures to the sand filter, swales and stormwater reuse in public art pages. The entry page to WSUD literature is www.wsud.org/literature.htm
The entry page to the WSUD photo library is www.wsud.org/pics.htm

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.

Please forward this on to colleagues who may be interested in Sustainable Water Management and/or WSUD.

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