

The Environment Minister recently announced new members for the Keep Australia Beautiful [Council](#). They have already been set to work reviewing and approving this year's Community Litter Grant recommendations. Read more about the successful projects [here](#).

Thank you to everyone who got involved in this year's KAB Week activities. KAB Week is always a highlight for the team at KABC as it gives us the opportunity to engage with community members across the state to raise awareness about our programs and encourage action to reduce litter. Read more about the activities that took place over the week [here](#).

In the coming weeks, Tidy Towns judges will be visiting communities to assess submissions. It's been wonderful this year to see small communities entering the Awards with a diverse range of projects. Stay tuned to our socials as finalists will be announced in October.

Our next community clean-up event open to the public will take place at Sorrento Beach in Hillary's as part of Tangaroa Blue's annual WA Beach Clean Up event. If you can't make it to our event, visit the [website](#) to see if there is one happening close to you.

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## Keep Australia Beautiful Week



Keep Australia Beautiful Week, held annually in August, is a time to raise awareness about taking simple actions each day to reduce impact on the environment.

This year everyone was encouraged to get involved with a Keep Australia Beautiful Council (KABC) program and make a difference.

Staff engaged with schools, communities and local governments across the state to promote and encourage action to reduce litter.

Students from Derby District High School and Holy Rosary School Derby joined the Shire of Derby West-Kimberly to remove over 100kgs of litter from in and around the Jetty. They even had help from the Air Force who assisted in removing the bigger items that were collected.

After an in-class discussion with the Broome Bushrangers, they were keen to clean-up their school grounds. In just 20 minutes, the class collected 6kgs.

More locally, students from Sheoak Grove Primary School helped clean up their local native bushland and are now keen to join the Adopt-a-Spot program and take part in regular clean-ups to keep it litter-free.

If you missed out on an event, or still want to get involved in any of our programs, head to our website to find out more.



## Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities



KABC is excited to announce that we are teaming up with Meta Maya Aboriginal Corporation. During September, *as part of the* Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities project assessments, KABC will deliver litter prevention and education activities to seven western desert communities. This is a great opportunity to engage with remote communities in the Pilbara.

## Community Litter Grants

The Environment Minister recently announced all recipients of this year's Community Litter Grants. Fifteen organisations will receive funding to assist with their litter prevention projects.

Eco Surf Australia 's innovative project received funding for a dinghy. The dinghy will be made from fully recycled materials and will be used to access hard to reach litter in rivers and at beaches. Find out about all grant recipients [here](#)

## Clean Schools



Eaton Primary School have designed some striking bin stickers to complement their new waste system across their school.

With catchy slogans, such as 'Kookaburras laugh at litterers' and "Don't be a galah. Bin it" these brightly coloured artworks will catch the eye of the whole school community and encourage people to dispose of their waste correctly.

All [registered Clean Schools](#) are eligible to take up this offer. Find out more [here](#).

## **2022 Change Maker Awards**

Submissions are now open for the Containers for Change 2022 Change Maker Awards. These awards recognise exceptional efforts in recycling 10c containers in Western Australia.

There are four categories to enter:

- Community group or school of the year
- Charity of the year
- Business of the year
- Individual of the year



For more information about the awards visit <https://changemaker.awardsplatform.com/>

Entries close 2pm WST on Monday 3 October 2022

## **Partnerships**

We have teamed up with Give Write to deliver pre-loved stationery packs when we visit communities. Last month we delivered to Holy Rosary at the Clean up in Derby.

If you are a school and would like to receive stationery for students who may need it, find out more [here](#).



The City of Bunbury and Shire of Derby-West Kimberley have formally partnered with KABC's Adopt-a-Spot program.

Since joining the program, the City of Bunbury have seen ten new groups adopt spots.

Establishing these partnerships enables us to connect our volunteers directly with their local government contact.

If you are a local government and would like to know how you can get more involved with the

program, please contact [adoptaspot@kabc.wa.gov.au](mailto:adoptaspot@kabc.wa.gov.au) to see how we can work together to achieve a litter-free community.

## **Upcoming events**

25 September – [World Rivers Day](#)

16 October – [WA Beach Clean Up](#)

### **Quick links:**

[Report Littering](#) | [Adopt a Spot](#) | [Tidy Towns](#) | [Clean Schools](#) | [Outback packs](#)

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