

ATTACHMENT 1

DELIVERING CATCHMENT WIDE RUBBISH COLLECTION AND BUSH REGENERATION

- 70+ tonnes of rubbish collected
- 17,316 volunteer hours
- 2,785m² of Bush Regeneration

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Georges River Councils Community

RIVER KEEPER PROGRAM
REPORT CARD
2013 - 2014

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PARTNERSHIP WITH CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW

Corrective Services NSW Teams continued to provide on ground outcomes across the catchment and the partnership with the GRCCC has continued to grow strongly. A joint application between the GRCCC and CSNSW in the Keep Australia Beautiful Clean Beaches Awards 2013 was awarded a regional Environmental Protection Award (Sydney/Illawarra) and highly commended in the regional Community Partnerships (Sydney/Illawarra) Award.



GREEN ARMY TEAMS

The GRCCC on behalf of its member Councils requests successful submissions to the Australian Government for 12 Green Army Projects. The projects involve three teams of up to nine participants each working to restore significant areas of bushland across the Georges River catchment. The three GRCCC Green Army teams will work in the upper, middle and lower reaches of the Georges River. The Green Army teams will add significant value to the GRCCC Riverkeeper program for the next two years.

ABORIGINAL RIVERKEEPER TEAM

The Aboriginal Riverkeeper team supported through funding by the Australian Land Management Research and Development Corporation (ALMRC) will also work in partnership with the GRCCC on this project and share Traditional Ecological Knowledge with the trainees.



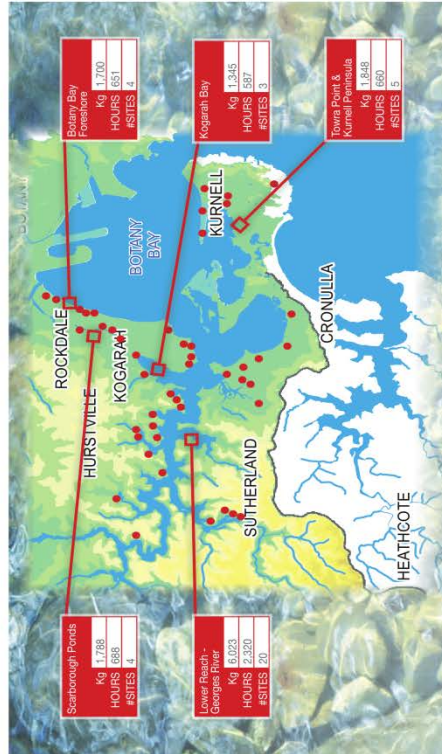
RIVERKEEPER'S MESSAGE

The Riverkeeper Program's year has continued to provide positive results for the Georges River and the program laid the foundations for greater resources in coming years with the successful Green Army application and Aboriginal Riverkeeper Teams. The Riverkeeper Program aims to protect the ecological health and biodiversity of the Georges River system via the collection of litter and rubbish and the regeneration of weed infested remnant bushland. The program has continued to deliver large scale rubbish clean ups with 70+ tonnes of rubbish removed from the river system in 2013/14.

Tony Wales
Riverkeeper Coordinator

LOWER GEORGES RIVER SUBCATCHMENT STATISTICS

RUBBISH COLLECTION = 12,702 Kg COMMUNITY HOURS = 4,906



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SHARED SERVICE
Riverkeeper Program works across the catchment are performed by corporate groups, volunteers and the Department of Corrective Services NSW, which contributes community resources and staff to the program. The program is a valuable and growing part of the Riverkeeper Program and a great benefit to the river.

Australian Government

2013 - 2014

TOTAL CATCHMENT RUBBISH COLLECTION

Riverkeeper Program teams provide broad-scale removal of rubbish from the river's foreshores, creeks and tributaries. Member councils identify rubbish 'hotspots' on the river.

70,276 TOTAL Kg
17,316 TOTAL HOURS

2013 - 2014

TOTAL CATCHMENT BUSH REGENERATION

Regeneration teams are restoring degraded, remnant bushland on foreshores, creeks and tributaries across the catchment. Work is undertaken along the river system to improve ecological health and species biodiversity.

2,785 TOTAL M²
496 TOTAL HOURS

UPPER GEORGES RIVER SUBCATCHMENT STATISTICS

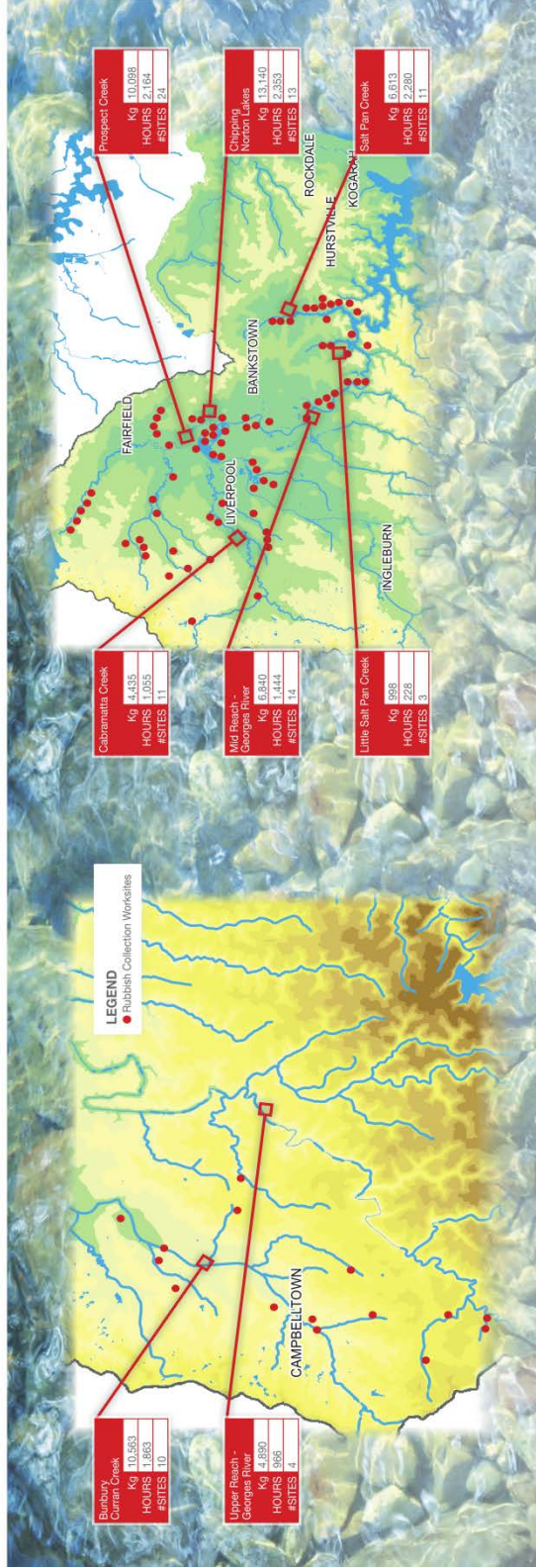
RUBBISH COLLECTION = 15,452 Kg

COMMUNITY HOURS = 2,829

MID GEORGES RIVER SUBCATCHMENT STATISTICS

RUBBISH COLLECTION = 42,122 Kg

COMMUNITY HOURS = 9,581



PREVENTATIVE COLLECTION OF RUBBISH

This graph shows the amount of rubbish progressively collected as it moves down the river system. Look to see which subcatchment you live in and then look at how much rubbish was prevented from reaching you.

■ 2013 - 2014 Results

