

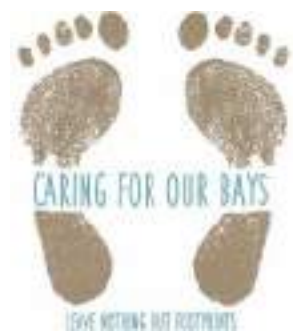
# Bellarine Catchment Network

## Summer By The Sea and CoastCare Grant Report 2016-2017

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## Project Scope

### Project Objectives and Area

The Project was developed through the through the Bellarine Catchment Network. The program looks to develop a greater capacity for on ground works, community education and holiday environment programs through a range of Summer By The Sea Program activities. Along side this through out the year the program looked to engage with 10 local Primary and secondary Schools to establish an annual Coastcare Environment day for schools and community groups.

#### 1. Summer By The Sea - Community Involvement. Engagement of Residents, and Holiday Makers

#### 2. Primary School Environment Program

#### 3. Community Groups Support and Development

#### 4. Surf Club – Nippers Program

#### 5. Festivals and Events

#### 6. Review and Feedback Forms



Come and join in the fun on the Northern Bellarine with **Bellarine Catchment Network** and **Bellarine Bayside** in participating in our **FREE** interactive activities as part of

#### **Summer by the Sea 2017!**

What	Where	Date	Time
Rockpool ramble and beachcomb	Indented Head—Half Moon Bay (Near the Ozone)	04/01/2017	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Beachcomb & Coastcare enviro challenge	Portarlington—Corner Sproat St & Franzel Ave	05/01/2017	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Beach comb and Mollusc Survey	Karrong Reserve—St Leonards	06/01/2017	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Coastcare Enviro Craft	Indented Head Hall	10/01/2017	3:00pm– 4:00pm
'Melbourne Down Under' film screening	Bayview Room—Portarlington	11/01/2017	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Beach comb and Mollusc Survey	Marine Safety and Environmental Activity Centre (Portarlington Mussel Festival)	14/01/2017	9:00am – 5:00pm

When exploring our coastline, it's always important to be prepared. Here are a few helpful tips:

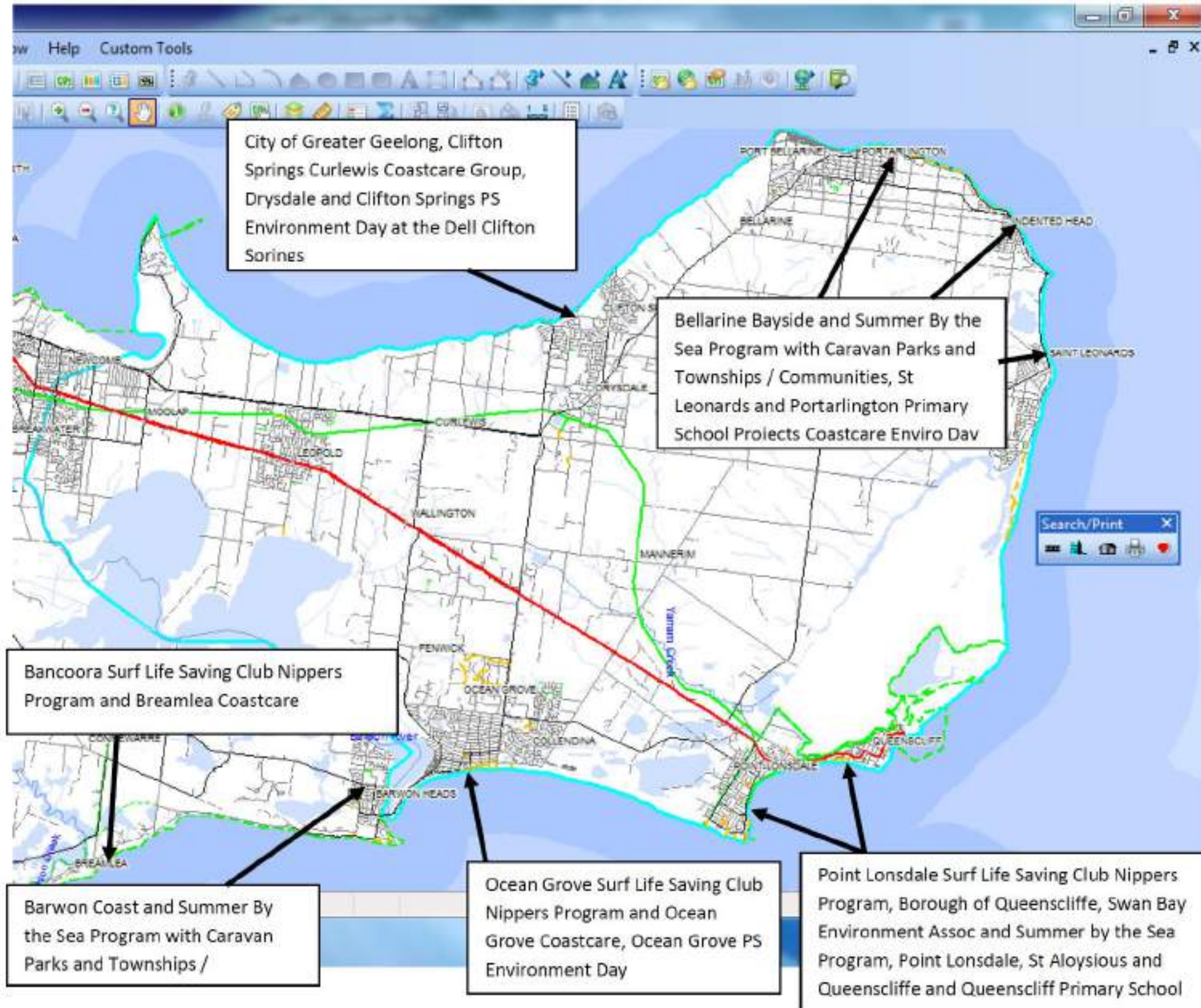
- Wear sun protective clothing, including a hat and sunscreen.
- Take a bottle of water
- Wear sturdy footwear

No reservation required. All activities are weather dependent. Please contact Jane Shearer - Coastal Projects Officer for further information Ph: 5254 4010.



(Front Cover image – Summer By The Sea Activity Portarlington)

## Project Area and Sites





## 1. Summer By The Sea - Community Involvement. Engagement of Residents, and Holiday Makers

### 1.1 RockPool Ramble and BeachComb

- Rockpool Ramble and Beachcomb was conducted at the Ozone in Indented Head
- This was our first and busiest beach event this year with 30 children participating plus their parents!
- We were only planning on one session on this day but because of the high demand we stayed and completed 2 sessions.
- Totals = 30 children
  - = 10 Parents
  - = 3 Staff
  - = 2 Volunteers

Combined = 45



Summer By The Sea Participants at Indented Head and St Leonards Boat Ramp



## 1.2 Coastcare Challenge and Beachcomb in Portarlington

- The Coastcare Challenge Course was conducted at Portarlington
- This was a very hot day and for this reason we didn't get the same high numbers of participants.
- However, it was a lovely group of kids and parents who did attend and because of the small number (10-15 including parents)
- We were able to have more of a discussion about plants and animals and answer any questions the kids had. It was a really nice intimate and fun session for all of us!
- Totals = 10 children
  - = 5 Parents
  - = 2 Staff
  - = 2 Volunteers

Combined = 19



Jane Shearer and Matt Crawley set up the 'Be a Hero' Animal series



A young participant navigates the Coastcare Challenge Game



### 1.3 Environmental Craft Activity

- This was the first time Bellarine Bayside and BCN had completed an enviro craft session and it was a great success!
- We had 26 kids attend and their parents all got involved also. We set up 4 different 'stations' for kids to choose from.
- Colouring in pictures of responsible fishing and intertidal species
- Caring for our Bays poster cut and paste activity
- Looking at beach artefacts under magnifying glasses
- Potting up indigenous seedlings, approx. 100 potted up
- We had water and seating available for all and music on which really provided a great atmosphere.
- My favourite comment from the day was from a young boy who said we was doing a marine project at school and the activity helped him a lot
- Total = 26 kids and parents  
= 3 Staff

Combined = 29



Left to Right: Environment Craft Activities ID Table, Be A Hero Colouring in





## 1.4 Environmental Movie Night – Melbourne Down Under - Portarlinton

- Jarrod Boord's film 'Melbourne Down Under' was screened in the Bayview Room.
- Even though the event was promoted the same way that I did the rest of the activities, this one didn't have a great turn out. We had about 1-15 people at different times of the screening.
- We believe it was the wrong location. Campers didn't want to walk up to the Bayview Room, next year if we show it in Portarlinton again it should be screened in Arthurs Kitchen where campers don't have to go very far to enjoy the film.
- The feedback we received from the night was very positive and everyone who showed up had a really great time
- Total = 15 kids and Parents  
= 2 Staff

Combined = 17

## 1.5 Mussel Festival -

- The Community Boating Day/Enviro Awareness Activity Centre was a great success. There was a huge number of visitors to the activity centre and the stall holders all had very positive feedback. It was wonderful to have a lot of help from Bellarine Bayside staff. It made the day run very smoothly.
- A feedback form has been sent to all stall holder on the day and we will be looking over the results when they come back to make next year's event even better. Jarrod Boord (Bellarine Catchment Network) conducted our last Summer by the Sea Beachcomb event on the day and it was very popular.



## 2. Primary School Environment Education

In total 10 primary schools and 3 secondary schools were engaged in activities. Two examples are provided below. Combined total are

Primary Schools = 10  
Secondary Schools = 3  
Total students = 1,300

### 2.1 St Leonards PS

- The Inaugural St Leonards PS coordinated by BBCOM and BCN was held in 2016. The activity had all Year and Class levels participate in the activities
- 3 rotating activities were held with Revegetation of coastal species, Coastcare Challenge Game and Beach Comb.
- A review was conducted with students committing to make a difference to their local environment
- Total = 100 Students  
= 10 Teachers and Parents  
= 4 Staff

Combined = 114

### 2.2 Portarlington PS

- The Inaugural Portarlington PS coordinated by BBCOM and BCN was held in 2016. The activity had Year
- 3 rotating activities were held with Revegetation of coastal species, Coastcare Challenge Game and Beach Comb.
- A review was conducted with students committing to make a difference to their local environment
- Total = 60 Students  
= 5 Teachers and Parents  
= 5 Staff

Combined = 70



St Leonards PS School Captains with Leia Howes (Bellarine Bayside)



St Leonards PS Students undertaking the Coastcare Challenge Course



### 3. Community Groups Support and Development

- The Bellarine Catchment Network continues to support 15 community groups on numerous Coastcare projects. This year included; Ocean Grove Environment Booklet, Governors Place restoration project, Dog Beach Monitoring and erosion control and others
- This year saw a new Coastcare group develop further. The Clifton Springs Curlewis Coastcare Group held a launch and earlier workshops. This group now stands ready to form and will be a crucial group around a growing demographic area.



## Clifton Springs Curlewis Coastcare Day



### Details

**Date:** Sunday 6th November 2016

**Time:** 10.30am to 12.30pm

**Lunch:** **Free BBQ at 12.30pm**

**Location:** The Dell, Springs St  
Clifton Springs

**Other:** Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather conditions  
Sunscreen, insect repellent and water will be provided

**Further Info:** Matt Crawley 0417 231 853  
No RSVP required

### Featuring

- **Revegetation** activity, flora and fauna tour and ID
- **Historical** and Cultural heritage tour of the Dell
- **Beach Comb**, Mollusc Suvey, Rockpool Ramble, Litter audit, beach profiling












#### 4. Surf Club – Nippers Program

- The Bellarine Catchment Network works with Ocean Grove and Ppoint Lonsdale Surf Life Saving Club and their Nippers Program.
- This year saw the OGSLSC Nippers program run for the 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row.
- With 3 groups of under 10's and 60 Nippers put through the program, this continues to be a valued activity for the Surf Club and the Nippers environmental education





## 5. Festivals and Events

- The Bellarine Catchment Network attended a number of community festivals in which to promote Coastcare and Caring For Our Bays Projects.
- These included the; Queenscliffe Music Festival, Mussel Festival, Festival of the Sails and others.
- Each event had a range of educational and interactive activities including plant propagation, Art and craft and beach combs.
- In total an estimate of over 500 people engaged with the various activities.





## 6. Review and Feedback Results

### 6.1 Summer By The Sea Review Form Results

~~PORT ARINGTON HOLIDAY PARK~~



~~Talent Show~~ JANUARY 2016 FEEDBACK SHEET  
FILM SCREENING

In order for us to keep improving please let us know your thoughts on the following:

1 Event Promotion/Advertising

9/10

2 Level of ease to participate

9/10

3 Organisation of the event

10/10

4 What do you think worked well on the day?

I liked how it was alot of facts

5 What do you think needs improving?

nothing

6 Would you support the Talent Show being held again?

year.  
FILM SCREENING

Welcome all other comments.

Promote in schools.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME ☺

~~PORT ARINGTON HOLIDAY PARK~~



~~Talent Show~~ JANUARY 2016 FEEDBACK SHEET  
ENVIRO CRAFT

In order for us to keep improving please let us know your thoughts on the following:

1 Event Promotion/Advertising

Saw the advertising on the beach.

2 Level of ease to participate

Really easy. My kids were 4 & 5 yrs.

3 Organisation of the event

Very well organised & very welcoming.

4 What do you think worked well on the day?

Everything was really good.

5 What do you think needs improving?

Perhaps more advertising leading up to the event ie. sandwich board out a week beforehand.

6 Would you support the Talent Show being held again?

Yes. Especially in school holidays.  
ENVIRO CRAFT

Welcome all other comments.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME ☺

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ENVIRO CRAFT

In order for us to keep improving please let us know your thoughts on the following:

1 Event Promotion/Advertising

10

2 Level of ease to participate

10

3 Organisation of the event

10

4 What do you think worked well on the day?

Variety of activities.  
enough space for everyone to participate.

5 What do you think needs improving?

nothing - it was excellent.  
maybe some deep sea music in background.

6 Would you support the Talent Show being held again?

Yes.  
ENVIRO CRAFT

Welcome all other comments.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME ☺



6.2 Primary School Student Review and Environment Pledge

My name is

Sarah.....



I will help my local environment  
by picking up rubbish and  
planting things.



I am an Environmental Guardian!

My name is

Summer.....



I will help my local environment  
by piking up Rubbish on the  
beach. So animal Don't get extinct  
and I will plant trees to Help people  
breath more and for an animal  
to live in



I am an Environmental Guardian!

My name is

Aisha Llune.....



I will help my local environment  
by picking up rubbish



I am an Environmental Guardian!