

MEDIA RELEASE

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Port Julia triumphs at Clean Beaches Awards

Port Julia, Yorke Peninsula have gone home today with the Community Action and Wellbeing award, won at the Keep Australia Beautiful, Australian Clean Beaches Awards 2015.

The Overall Australian Clean Beaches win went to Guilderton, WA with Burleigh Heads, Qld coming in at a close second.

The event was held in Darwin, hosted by Parliament House and welcomed by The Honourable Bess Price MLA; with last year's winner Nhulunbuy handing over the iconic title. The reception was held at Government House, hosted by His Honour the Honourable John Hardy OAM, Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Hardy.

Other Clean Beaches finalists include:

- Richardsons Beach, Tasmania
- Burleigh Beach, Queensland
- Guilderton, Western Australia
- Bondi Beach, New South Wales
- Garig Gunak Barlu National Park, Northern Territory

Australian Clean Beaches judge Averil Bones said "for a small community, Port Julia certainly packs a punch when it comes to working together to protect their beautiful beach."

"They have created a fantastic array of amenities for locals and tourists alike. The Port Julia Progress Association, working in close partnership with the Yorke Peninsula Council, has done so much to improve local tracks and walkways, manage the local campground, control weeds, protect local wildlife, and educate young people who visit the beach."

Port Julia underwent judging earlier this year, and showcased key initiatives and features in the town including; Graham Ward Walking trail, the Red Shed, Walk the Yorke trail recycling shed and of course the beach itself.

KESAB State Program Manager Alex Hammett said " Port Julia are an excellent example of a small town that is proactive in creating a better environment for residents, and holiday makers alike. The Progress Association actively work throughout the settlement to enhance the natural environment, whilst providing amenities and facilities for tourists and residents. Working closely with the Yorke Peninsula Council, they have managed their piece of the spectacular Yorke Peninsula coastline, whilst making it easily accessible, for everyone to enjoy."



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Port Julia Progress Association President Roger Underwood said “This awards is a reflection of the Port Julia spirit that exists and has existed over many years. It is an encouragement for our community to continue its cooperative endeavours for the benefit of our township.”

The Australian Clean Beaches Awards are sponsored by the [Department for the Environment](#).

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