

Why Set Eco Goals?

Eco Goals are a way for each of us to focus on putting into action our thoughts and ideas on how to live more sustainably .

Real life examples of Eco Goals

- Set up a composting system.
- Promote an environment friendly office.
- Remove noxious weeds and replace with native plants.
- Take a calico bag shopping rather than use plastic.
- Establish systems for reusing grey water.
- Install a water tank for the garden.

What are Eco Teams?

Eco Teams are groups of people that have a common interest and want to develop projects to become active custodians of their local waterways.

How can I find out more?

if you would like to know more about the project
or if you would like to get involved

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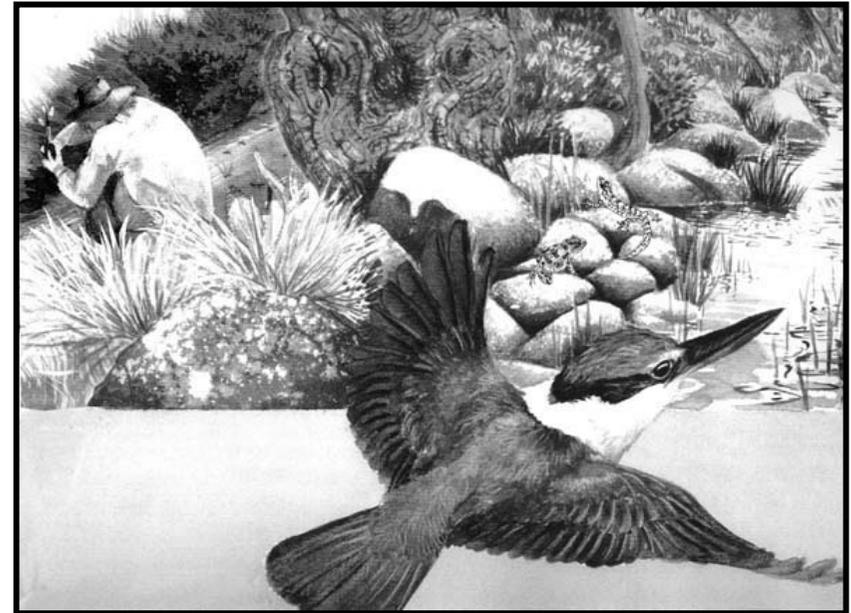
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A new waterways project

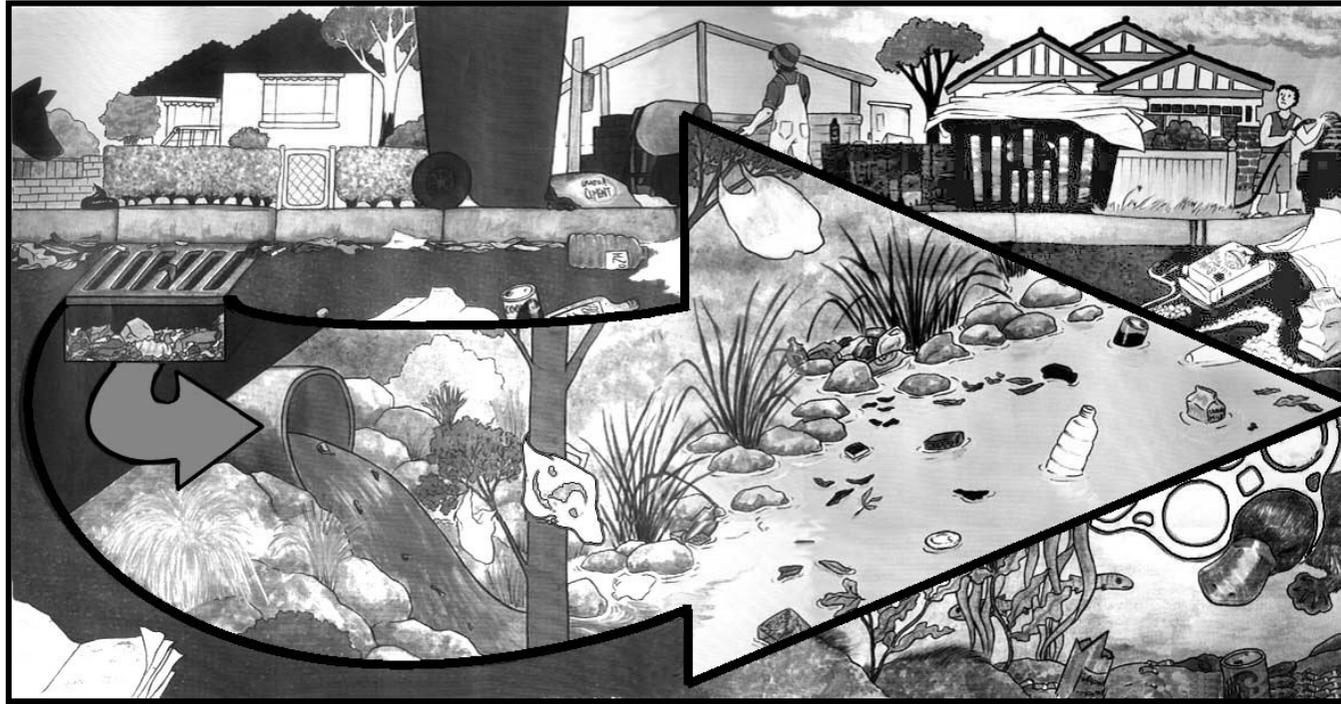
Take your good intentions and turn them into actions through personal Eco Goals.

You'll learn about the many different strategies that can be used in everyday life to improve water quality in your local waterway. Gain the skills to become an eco-leader in your own community.

Reduce and prevent pollution to your local waterway in your everyday life.

My Waterway– My Home – My Responsibility

Waterways can be beautiful green areas with shared pathways along the creeks and rivers. However, this natural beauty is being degraded.



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Everyday actions cause pollution to wash down our neighbourhood drains. We need to protect our waterways from the stressful impact of our everyday lives.

Caring For Our Waterways Think It – Do It – Be Part Of It

What is the Community Streams Project ?

Community Streams is a new waterways environmental initiative funded by Hume, Moreland, Whittlesea, Darebin, and Yarra City Councils in conjunction with the Victorian Government through its Stormwater Action Program. The project has been developed by Vox Bandicoot (environmental educators extraordinaire) and the Merri Creek Management Committee (MCMC are the 2002 winners of the Thiess Services National Riverprize, for excellence in environmental management and education in the Merri Creek catchment).

Workshops full of fun and interesting activities will be delivered to help you discover the environmental impacts of your everyday actions, identify the ones that are important to you and motivate you to put your goals into action. Community Streams helps communities to develop an enhanced sense of ownership, respect and responsibility towards their waterways.

You will develop skills and knowledge about practical environmental strategies to protect your local waterways from the polluting affects of everyday life. These strategies become your Eco Goals.

Upon completion of the program you will have formed new relationships in your community and be empowered to meet your goals. If you choose, you may take further training to become an Eco-Leader and form an Eco Team from your own friends and community. An Eco Team can be formed from people in your church, street, workplace, sporting club, school, unit block or neighbourhood. Passing on the skills to develop personal Eco Goals to our friends and community creates a pathway for each of us to do what we can to become responsible custodians of our waterways. The actions of our community are directly linked to the health of our waterways and the surrounding environment. On going support and information will be provided to your Eco Team.