



Matilda Bay, Perth – Photographed by Christian Fletcher

→ Winter's here, remember to turn off your automatic irrigation

Win a Waterwise Garden makeover by the Garden Gurus valued at \$10,000.

We are partnering with the Garden Gurus Landscape Design and Contracting Services to offer a waterwise garden makeover just in time for spring.

Simply pay your account (or the first instalment) on or before 31 July 2009 for your chance to win.

Plus we have 20 Garden Gurus travel series 'Explore' DVD box sets valued at \$32.95 to give away.

Competition terms and conditions are available at www.watercorporation.com.au or by calling 13 13 85.

Winners will be selected at random and notified after 28 August 2009.

Garden Gurus – Trevor Cochrane and Neville Passmore



Question: Can I apply for a concession to my account online?

Answer: You can apply for a concession if you hold a valid concession card and you are the owner and occupier of a property by visiting www.watercorporation.com.au or calling 1300 659 951.

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Water saving tips for winter

1. Turn off your automatic sprinkler system.
2. Verify that your home is leak-free; read your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, there may be a leak.
3. Repair dripping taps by getting the washers replaced. If your tap is dripping at the rate of one drop per second, it can waste up to 9,000 litres per year.
4. Check for toilet cistern leaks by adding colouring to the water in it. If the cistern is leaking, colour will appear in the toilet bowl within 30 minutes.
5. Take shorter showers.
6. Install a water efficient '3 Star' rated showerhead.
7. Don't let water run while shaving or washing your face.
8. Operate dishwashers and washing machines only when they are fully loaded.
9. When purchasing new dishwashers or washing machines make sure that they are rated 4½ stars.
10. Do not use running water to thaw frozen foods. Defrost food overnight in the refrigerator or by using the defrost setting on your microwave.



Water Corporation and the community

New partnership with Bunbury Dolphin Discovery Centre

We are proud to announce our new partnership with the Bunbury Dolphin Discovery Centre. The four year partnership will enable free marine education workshops to various Waterwise School students in Bunbury, Capel, Harvey and Dardanup.



Bunbury Dolphin Discovery General Manager Jodie Mott said she was very excited about the development of the South West Marine Education Program, which had been made possible through the partnership with the Water Corporation. "By enabling over 1,000 students to participate in our marine programs it is having a direct benefit into the region. This partnership enables us to educate students on coastal flora and fauna and the issues and threats relating to its future conservation which is a step towards the management of a sustainable future – a goal the Water Corporation and Bunbury Dolphin Discovery unanimously support", she said.

Water Award – Moorditj Noongar Community College



Indigenous Resource Manager Lynette Lund with students

The Waterwise School program reached an important milestone last year when Moorditj Noongar Community College in Middle Swan became the first indigenous school in WA to become recognised as a Waterwise school.

The school is located on the Blackadder and Woodbridle Creeks. Teachers gave students the opportunity to connect with their surrounding environments by being involved with the planting of 400 trees, creating a bush medicine garden and creating a frog pond.

School Principal Mr Bernie O'Hara said that because of the program Moorditj Noongar

students had appreciated the need to save water and the environmental benefits of tree planting as part of their Waterwise initiative.

"With water an integral part of Aboriginal culture the program was an excellent forum to introduce the history of the seasons and water conservation" he said.

The school also received an award from Westralian Airports Corporation for naming a wetland area surrounding the Perth Airport. The school plans to create a bush tucker garden with the money from the award. The school has future plans to revegetate surrounding creeks with endemic plants.



Reading your water meter

During the year, Water Corporation representatives need access to your property to read your water meter.

Here are some simple things you can do to help:

- Clear sand and mulch and prune overgrown bushes

- If you have a dog, display a sign to let our meter readers know
- Ensure your water meter is easily accessible

If our meter reader is unable to access your meter, he or she will leave a card asking you to call us and make suitable alternative arrangements.

For more information on water use visit www.watercorporation.com.au

Christian Fletcher competition

Win one of two Christian Fletcher canvas prints

Part two of our competition with Western Australian Photographer Christian Fletcher features his photograph of Matilda Bay, Perth.

For your chance to win one of two canvas prints, 30cm(h) x 100cm(w) as featured on the cover, email your details to: competition@watercorporation.com.au or post your entry to:

Watermark Christian Fletcher Competition (2)
PO Box 100
Leederville
WA 6902

Entries close 31 August 2009. For terms and conditions, visit www.watercorporation.com.au or call 13 13 85. Winners will be chosen at random.