

Water Education Project Officer Monthly Report May 10

- Increase in education of catchment health and source water issues at a primary, secondary and college levels.
Delivered lesson on waterway health to Lanyon High School's 'Sustainable Futures' class (4/5/10).
The excursions listed below also acted to increase education of catchment health issues. Many excursions also begin with an in class session to discuss concepts encountered in the field.
- Increase in school excursions to venues and activities highlighting catchment and source water issues.
Delivered 2 X ½ day excursion lessons on water bugs and water quality to Urambi PS (11&12/5/10).
Organised the delivery of ActewAGL's 'Source to Sewer' demonstration for Chisholm JS Yr3/4 classes (18/5/10).
Attended ActewAGL's 'Mini Catchment Tour' to assess suitability as an excursion for schools (21/5/10).
- Increase in students "*Acting for an environmentally sustainable future*" as identified by the Essential Learning Achievements 20 (ACT Dept Education Curriculum)
Through participating in the above field excursions students have had increased opportunities to learn and understand the key attitudes and values that are identified in the ELA 20 of the 'Every chance to learn' curriculum framework.
- Increase in teacher awareness of learning activities and opportunities that address objectives of ELA 20 as identifies by the ACT Department of Education.
Meeting at Lanyon High School to discuss source water education with science teacher (29/4/10).
Meetings at Chisholm School (29/4/10) and Urambi Primary School (6/5/10) to discuss source water education with teachers.
2 X Training sessions with Urambi PS (6/5/10) and Chisholm School (13/5/10) teachers re use of water monitoring equipment and delivery of Waterwatch activities.
Attended planning day with Chisholm JS teachers to plan unit of study around waterways and the water cycle (6/5/10).
Meeting at Galilee School to discuss partnership with Lion's Youth Haven in Waterwatch activities (3/5/10).
Collected and delivered frog ready for release, for Frogwatch's tadpole caretaker schools program (3/5/10).
Held meeting with Ed Project steering committee (13/5/10)
Completed next draft of 'Source Water Education' teacher resource. This is now being reviewed by ActewAGL for final edit.
Met with parents of the 'Home School Association' to plan and discuss options and support, including mini excursion to Village Creek to look at conducting macro invertebrate surveying techniques (24/5/10).