

Town of Port Hedland & Care for Hedland Sustainability News

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Green waste clean-up for cyclone season

The Town of Port Hedland recently conducted the annual green-waste cyclone clean-up in collaboration with Norcape Contracting.

Residents were encouraged to get out in their gardens and get rid of any excess branches, leaves, or green waste to prepare for the upcoming cyclone season, to minimise the risk of flying debris.

All green waste was to be no longer than 1.5 meters in length, nor cause any obstruction to roads, pathways, and infrastructure.

Ever wondered what happens to this collected green waste? Well, the Town turns it into free mulch!

Last year, the Town collected 103.295 tonnes of green waste, with 31.78320 tonnes converted into mulch.

This mulch was distributed at two locations: Cooke Point Standpipe along Cooke Point Drive, Port Hedland, and Dreamers Corner in South Hedland.

This year, we collected 189.63 tonnes of green waste, with 88.99 tonnes being turned into mulch, ready to give back to the community for free!



The Town is committed to creating a safe and resilient community and takes proactive steps to minimise risk in the lead-up to cyclone season.

Thank you to everyone who has participated and helped clear out excess green waste from their properties, ready for cyclone season. Your cooperation is appreciated!

The 2024 Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities competition is officially underway!

The Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards celebrate the efforts of regional and remote communities in nine categories, offering prize money and recognition.

Care for Hedland Environmental Association submitted entries for Port and South Hedland, showcasing various community initiatives such as the Hedland Street Art Festival, Sustainable Living Show Day, and environmental programs like e-waste recovery, battery recycling, and flatback turtle monitoring – just to name a few!

Chairperson of Care for Hedland Environmental Association, Kelly Howlett, expressed pride in the submissions, emphasising that the awards honour both large and small contributions that make the community special.

Judges visited key locations highlighted in the submission, including the RSL Community



Gardens, South Hedland Landfill, Spoilbank Marina, and South Hedland Library.

The overall State Winner will represent WA in the National Tidy Towns Awards. The winners will be announced in Perth on 22 November 2024. Stay tuned for updates!

MONTHLY REPORTING METRICS AUGUST 2024

52.62
tonnes
kerbside recycling

245.72
tonnes
waste to landfill

~35%
contamination of
kerbside recycling

2.5
tonnes
litter collected
by TOPH staff and
community volunteers

2178
kiloliters
recycled water usage

663
children
engaged in SI

1632
adults
engaged in SI

SI = Sustainability Initiatives
*Eligible containers

