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Waterwise e-news

Welcome to the Waterwise e-news. Through these updates, we are making a commitment to share with you relevant news and information from the Waterwise Programs team.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update. You can expect to hear from us on a regular basis and we welcome your [feedback](#).



Welcome back Sara Pierce

As you may be aware, last month the Waterwise Programs team welcomed back Sara Pierce. Sara was acting in a communications role at the Customer Centre for 10 months. Sara has returned to her position as Waterwise Programs Coordinator which Amy Wright has been looking after.

As Sara returned, we farewelled Amy from the Waterwise Programs team as she moved to the Water Efficiency Projects team to take on the temporary role of Project Coordinator until the end of October. All the best in your new role Amy!

New veggie garden brochure

We now have a '[Creating a waterwise veggie garden](#)' brochure available, adding to our set of garden brochures. If you're looking to create a new garden and not sure how or what type you would like, check out our great range of [brochures](#) to assist you with all your planting needs.

Seek a Leak Week

Seek a Leak Week will be running during National Water Week from 17 to 23 October. We trialled Seek a Leak Week back in March and it was so successful, despite the hail storm, we intend to run it annually from now on. During Seek a Leak Week we are encouraging customers to regularly check for leaks in and around their homes and contact an appropriate Waterwise Specialist if they happen to find a leak.

More councils join the Waterwise Council Program

Congratulations to the newest councils to join our Waterwise Council Program. We recently endorsed the cities of Melville, Joondalup and Subiaco and the shires of Capel and Serpentine-Jarrahdale at the ICLEI Breakfast held on 5 August presented by the Minister for Water, Hon. Dr Graham Jacobs MLA. These councils have been endorsed for demonstrating their commitment towards water efficiency.

Welcome to Waterwise Associates



Master Painters Australia WA Association recently became a Waterwise Associate. Adele Gismondi presented the President of Master Painters Australia WA Association, Graham Williams with their certificate, in the photo on the left.

Scott Moorhead, our South West Regional Business Manager recently recognised the **South West Regional College of TAFE** as a Waterwise Associate. Scott presented Glenn Gates, Portfolio Manager and Wendy Burns, Managing Director their certificate, in the photo on the right.



Poppy's Patch become waterwise

Poppy's Patch Nursery in Mt Barker is the latest to join the Waterwise Garden Centres Program. Letisha Newman our Water Efficiency Project Officer in Albany presented them with their certificate endorsing them as a Waterwise Garden Centre on 20 August.

Waterwise Specialist Training

The next scheduled Waterwise Specialist Training session is on 22 September. If you can't make that date, don't forget you can now do your Waterwise Garden and Irrigation training online.

For more information on our Waterwise Training or to reserve a place or to do your training online, please contact Jessie Cochrane on 9420 2130 or water.efficiency@watercorporation.com.au.

Water Efficiency Initiatives news

The Water Efficiency Initiatives team continues to work with schools and the aquatic centre industry. Sub-meters measuring water use within both schools and aquatic centres have been installed at a number of trial sites which is expected to yield good information on where water savings opportunities lie in future months.

The team presented the initial findings on water efficiency within aquatic centres at the Leisure Institute of WA Aquatics (LIWA) annual conference on 16 and 17 August. [Click here](#) to read the report. We were also recognised at the conference for our contribution to industry development and sustainability.



Waterwise Programs news

We are always trying to find new ways to promote the Waterwise Specialists and the waterwise message throughout the community. In addition to Seek a Leak Week, we have recently added new advertisements to the Yellow Pages and White Pages for the Waterwise Specialists. [Click here](#) to check out the new advertisements.

Water Efficiency Projects news

The trial behavioural change and retrofit program in the North West town of Roebourne was completed in July 2010. The overwhelming support received from the local health service ensured that project objectives were met and the lessons learnt from this project will be carried forward and used when planning similar programs in the future.

In June 2010, the Federal Government announced its support for the Corporation's Integrated Regional Water Efficiency Program. The 24 month program includes residential behavioural change, residential and non-residential retrofits, leak detection and repair, water recycling and smart metering. Planning is already underway and work will commence in the coming months in the West Pilbara, East Pilbara, Kimberley, Goldfields and Great Southern regions.
