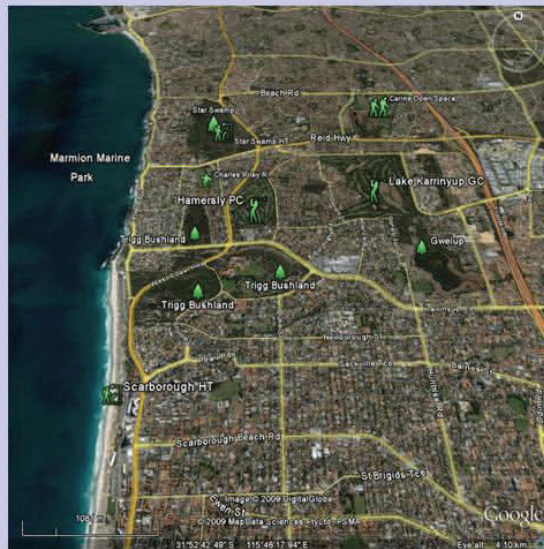


Contact: SNEC for where to HELP

SEE YOU ON THE BEACH



The aims of Stirling Natural Environment Coastcare include the protection of natural biodiversity, landform, plant community, and animal habitats within the coastal zone and adjoining areas.

SNEC supports provision of facilities which provide for the wellbeing of Community without compromising the integrity of the coastal zone's natural environment.



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**Summer Recess:  
16 Dec 2012 to 15 Jan 2013**

**2013  
MIDWEEK activities resume  
Tuesday 15 Jan  
and continue throughout the year on  
Tues and Thurs morning (7—9 am  
while it is still hot, until further notice.  
Volunteers come one or both days)**

*Main sites*

**Watermans Bay, North Beach,  
Hamersley Linkage**

**(NB Sometimes we are elsewhere, phone or  
email to find out where.)**

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**SNEC Volunteers are valued, so your safety is  
important.**

**Please wear a hat, enclosed footwear, long  
sleeves, long pants.**

**"I used to say ....Why doesn't somebody do something?  
Until I realized I was somebody" JFK**



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**Newsletter**

*Season's Greetings to All*

*Spring - Summer*



**SOUTHERN RIGHT WHALE**

August 2012

**Visiting hard working Coastcarer,  
Jim Hastie from Canada was out in  
a boat off our local coast in  
Marmion Marine Park when the  
whales decided to pay them a visit.**

**What a treat!**

Some of SNEC's 'Splendiferous'  
2012 Volunteer Coastcarers



**Making a difference to City of Stirling's naturally beautiful Coast.** Thank you ALL.

Getting the work done would not happen without the on going support of many and the straight out hard work of those who find time to come along and give on ground assistance.

**New Year resolutions** could again include, working towards wonderful new 'natural' waterwise gardens and do refresh yourself with SNEC's brochure *Introduction to Coastal Gardens* available from us and City of Stirling including Libraries.

**SNEC Coastcarers are saddened** to see City of Stirling revisiting the previously abandoned boardwalk project between Trigg and Scarborough

### Boardwalk proposal

None of the options presented in the City's proposal currently being put out for Public Consultation would be money well spent.

A boardwalk intruding north-south through the dunes between Scarborough and Trigg would create further fragmentation, fringe effects would follow, and ongoing damage and disturbance would be the outcomes. It would be a waste of funding from pressured City and State Government resources. Obtaining finance from them or other sources would be a perverse use of public funding.

*Coastal boardwalks are only worthwhile when there is already informal 'tracking' which is damaging the integrity of the dunes or limestone cliffs.*

Monitoring and maintenance along the Coastal foreshore is not currently funded to deliver to community and tourists the 'presentation' and the standards desired and expected for essential items such as stormwater drainage and water quality; or for the to be expected ongoing monitoring and maintenance required in such a harsh climate. Numerous access paths and stairs are closed off for extended periods reflecting poorly on the City and compromising beach access by community, while larger budget items go into longer than 5-year-wait timeframes.



**HBF Corporate Group ready to assist in 'Making a difference' at Brighton Beach, Scarborough.**

### Grants and Community

This year SNEC has been managing several projects funded through State Government, Department of Planning's Coastwest community grants and also projects funded through the Australian Government's Caring for Our Country Community Action Grants.

The length of coastal foreshore now being intensively protected and rehabilitated through SNEC's careful site assessment, preparation and successful plant selection, planting and follow-up monitoring and maintenance has increased to 1.9 km. Watermans Bay, North Beach and now Hamersley Pool and Beach have been funded for ongoing intensive work.

South Scarborough and Brighton Beach down to the Peasholm Street Dog beach have also received broad weed management of particularly invasive species both through chemical weed spray and intensive weeding by SNEC volunteers hosting Corporate and community groups in hand weeding.

The City of Stirling has continued to supply and remove green waste bags along the coast. The City's Natural Areas staff and others have met with SNEC to discuss complementary associated future works.

**SNEC** also continues to work closely with Perth Region Natural Resource Management's North Metropolitan Coastcare officer, to the benefit of Stirling's coastal foreshore.

**SNEC's** executive have endeavoured to communicate their activities and future works with all stakeholders.

Particular thanks go to local State Member of the Legislative Assembly, Mr Tony Krsticevic of Carina's Electorate. Also it is very encouraging to note that highly thought of Mr Cameron Poustie, previously of the Environment Defenders office, is seeking a position in Parliament as a Member of the Legislative Council in the forth coming State Elections

It is pleasing that such well respected people wish to continue to represent our community interests and well being.