



## “Clean up Australia” Day in the Hawkesbury

### Description

[Tomorrow is “Clean up Australia” day](#) around the country, and there are many ways you can pitch in and help keep our area looking spic and span.

Sunday 4th March 2018 is the main event, and a [complete list of sites around the Hawkesbury where you can make a difference are here](#).

This morning, as a curtain raiser, I was helping members of the [Pitt Town Progress Association](#) help clean up rubbish polluting Bardanarang Creek under the Friendship Bridge on Pitt Town Bottoms Road. I identified this site as in need of an urgent clean-up when Councillors toured Pitt Town with the Progress Association back in August, and I have worked with the Association to have Council resources assist in the cleanup. I also initiated getting the County Council out to [deal with an infestation of Balloon Vine](#) on the banks of the creek, which happened back in September.

Friendship Bridge is a significant historic site, as it represents the place where Governor Phillip first encountered Aboriginals from this area in 1791. A plaque commemorating the meeting lays nearby, and a piece of trivia that I love is that the bronze casting of two arms clasped in friendship includes that of [our much missed and late Mayor, Dr Rex Stubbs](#).

Among the items we dragged out of the creek were dozens of tyres, an engine block, a 4-burner BBQ, two mattresses, a bong, ladies lingerie, and two sex toys. Yuk.







Tyres, metal and other debris polluting the creek.





Some of the rubbish fished out of the creek



A four-burner BBQ was part of the haul. Who dumps stuff like this?





The plaque commemorating the first meeting between Europeans the local aboriginal people.





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