



Marine Debris Education

Estuary Guardians:

An Agent for Intergeneration Community Engagement

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Community Partnerships



Fin Guide



Communication & Monitoring

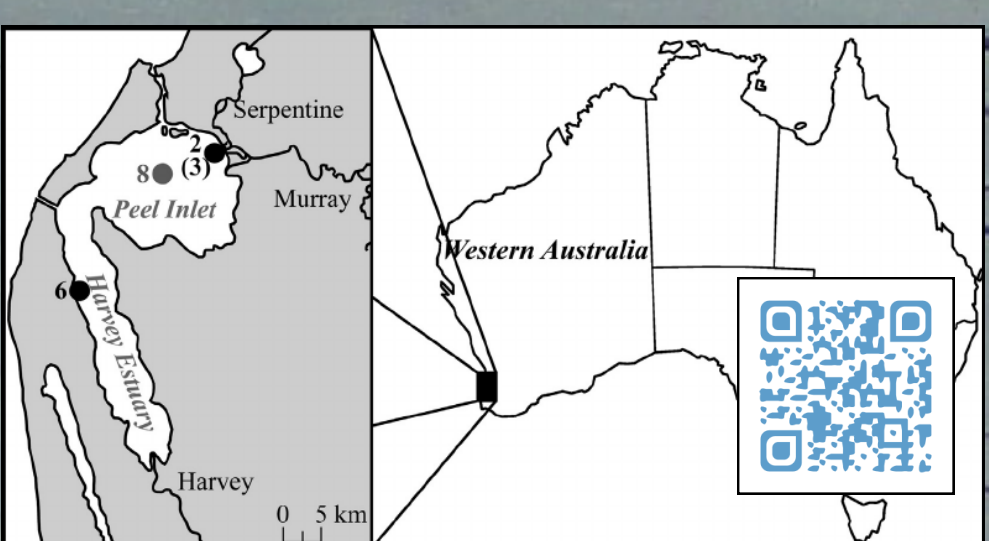
Estuary Guardians are the future custodians of the Peel-Harvey Estuary helping to look after local ecosystems through a range of projects in their classrooms, schools and communities. Estuary Guardians was established by staff and students from John Tonkin College in Mandurah and was launched at the student initiated Inaugural Dolphin Community Forum. The Forum brought together community groups and researchers who are monitoring the health of the local dolphin population or who have a vested interest in the long term protection of the estuary.

By collaborating and meeting with the various environmental conservation organisations in the catchment there can be more powerful outcomes and messages regarding the health and sustainability of the Peel-Harvey Estuary. We act as an "umbrella" to these organisations without affecting the individual identities of each of them.

With representatives from each organisation meeting together, sharing ideas and seeing where there are avenues to pitch in and help each other, we then have a greater chance of achieving objectives more effectively. The students in collaboration with Mandurah Dolphin Research Group (Murdoch University), Dolphin Rescue, and Mandurah Cruises have produced a Fin Guide of dolphins in the Mandurah Estuary to enable members of the community to identify and monitor the dolphins and report their behaviour to the research unit via customised apps. 2018 will see the addition of Dolphin Watch to Mandurah as a direct result of the effort by the team.



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