

Competition Update No.11 – 14 September 2011

The Manly Daily Shield

Rank	Team	Score
1st	MANLY VILLAGE	6.2
2nd	ST MARYS	4.9
3rd	SEAFORTH	4.9
4th	MANLY WEST	3.6

The Inner West Courier Shield

Rank	Team	Score
1st	CAMDENVILLE	10.4
2nd	DULWICH HILL	7.9
3rd	WILKINS	4.9
4th	FERNCOURT	3.9

The Blacktown Advocate Shield

Rank	Team	Score
1st	CRAWFORD	8.3
2nd	WALTERS ROAD	4.0
3rd	ST MICHAELS	3.6
4th	TREGEAR	1.2







Climate Clubs Cup Competition

Rank	Zone	Score
1st	MANLY	1.4
2nd	BLACKTOWN	0.4
3rd	MARRICKVILLE	-0.1



COMMENTATOR'S CORNER Summing up this week's performance:

Camdenville have done a Steven Bradbury this week- the only team to have increased their score while everyone else has either stayed still or lost points!

Isn't that depressing? NO, IT ISN'T! Here are two reasons why. Firstly, every time the score changes it means players have taken the time to read their bill or their electricity meter, and update the consumption tracker. This means they are taking an interest in their energy use and how to reduce it.

Secondly, most of these player consumption updates come from power bills for the last three months, the coldest part of the year and the time of highest electricity use. The fact that most players are still making energy savings at this time of the year at all is actually pretty impressive.



So, congratulations, Camdenville! May you be as inspirational as Steven Bradbury, Australia's first Winter Olympic gold medallist, who showed that sometimes coming first is about never giving up (oh yes, and not falling over)!

Stories from the playing field: Walters Road Public School, Blacktown

"We think the Climate Club Competition is a good way of helping our family save money by using less electricity. We are also helping our school. For all the points that families get when they save electricity at home our school can raise some money. So by saving electricity we are helping the environment, our families save money and our school to raise money.

We will be installing solar power panels on our roof soon. This way we can use the sun (which is free) to get our electricity and this will also save our natural resources that cannot be replaced once they have been used up. The sun will last for a very long time and cannot be used up like our natural resources so it makes sense to use the sun instead. We are saving electricity at home by turning off the lights when we leave the room, turning off the TV if no one is watching it and going outside to play rather than being on the computer or Wii. So we think that the Climate Club Competition helps show people that saving electricity is important, but it is also making it fun and we can win prizes which helps bring more people to the Climate Club."

- Jillian Connor (8) and Jonathon Connor (11)¹

¹ Thanks to the Australian Conservation Foundation for publishing this interview online. Read the full article here: http://www2.acfonline.org.au/category/save-energy/blog/climate-club-aims-be-coolest-around-town

IMPORTANT- Climate Clubs Survey: Win an iPad 2!

By now you will have received an email asking you to fill out a **short survey online** about your energy use at home and your experience of the Climate Clubs program. The survey is very important as it allows us to track the effectiveness of the competition, plus it's a chance for you to have your say. Next week, we'll also be mailing out a **paper copy of the survey** in case you'd prefer to submit a paper version. It should only take about 10 minutes of your time, and your responses will be kept strictly confidential to protect your privacy. **All players who complete this survey, plus the short end-of-competition survey we'll send out in November, will go into the prize draw to win an iPad 2!** Thanks to all players who have already completed the survey, including our wonderful Climate Clubs Captains.

Energy Savings Tip: A bright idea!



It seems so simple, yet it's something we all forget to do: turn off the lights when you aren't using them! Try installing timers or sensors on outdoor lighting in particular so you're not wasting electricity. Not convinced? Switching off lights when you leave a room can save you a whopping \$85 a year!

Sizing up your competition: how does your household compare?

You can see how your household's energy usage compares with your team mates by visiting the 'Scoreboards' section of the website (www.climateclubs.org.au). For example, this St Marys player below is currently ranked 2nd out of all team members. Your own household usage will be highlighted in bold once you log in. Remember, the higher your usage was last year, the more points for your Club (and \$\$ for your school) you can earn by if you reduce your usage.



You can also see how your electricity consumption compares to other households across Sydney and in your local Council area at the 'Tracker' page. The pink line in the graph below shows the Manly area average, and this particular St Marys player's own household usage in purple. This will help you benchmark your usage against other local families.



THE ENERGY UPDATER AWARD



To go into next week's prize draw to win the Energy Updater Award, update your usage online by 5pm next Tuesday 20th September. You could win a VIP 30 CARD from OOVIE, Australia's leader in latest release movie DVD rentals, plus an Efergy meter with free installation!



ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Plus if you update your energy usage online for the **very first** time, you'll go into the prize draw to be our next **Rookie of the Week!** This means you'll get your choice of a \$50 voucher for the **Green Demon Ecostore**, a \$50 Myers voucher or an **Efergy meter plus free installation**.



Update your usage online by 5pm next Tuesday 20th September
by entering a new meter reading
OR your average daily kWh usage from your most recent electricity bill at the "Tracker" page at
www.climateclubs.org.au

Contact us

Feel free to contact us anytime by visiting <u>www.climateclubs.org.au</u> or calling the Climate Clubs Program Team on (02) 9514 4950.

Yours in energy saving,

Melissa, Chris, Ceri, Candice, Tim – the Climate Clubs Coaching Panel













