



*Competition Update No.12 – 21 September 2011*

**The Inner West Courier Shield**

Rank	Team	Score
1st	<b>CAMDENVILLE</b>	10.7
2nd	<b>FERN COURT</b>	9.8
3rd	<b>DULWICH HILL</b>	7.9
4th	<b>WILKINS</b>	4.6

**The Manly Daily Shield**

Rank	Team	Score
1st	<b>MANLY VILLAGE</b>	6.0
2nd	<b>ST MARYS</b>	5.2
3rd	<b>SEAFORTH</b>	4.8
4th	<b>MANLY WEST</b>	4.0

**The Blacktown Advocate Shield**

Rank	Team	Score
1st	<b>CRAWFORD</b>	8.3
2nd	<b>ST MICHAELS</b>	6.1
2nd	<b>WALTERS ROAD</b>	3.5
4th	<b>TREGEAR</b>	2.4

# Climate Clubs Cup Competition

Rank	Zone	Score
1st	MARRICKVILLE	1.3
2nd	MANLY	1.3
3rd	BLACKTOWN	0.9



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

**What a week!** Inspired by Camdenville's Steven Bradbury moment last week, the whole Marrickville area has lifted- jumping from last place to first in the race for the Climate Clubs Cup! Special applause to Ferncourt who have leapt from 4<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Inner West Courier Shield competition. Good show!

It has been a good week for the underdogs elsewhere too, with Tregear and St Micheals in Blacktown and Manly West in Manly being the big improvers on the scoreboard showing their competition that they won't give up without a fight. Keep up that Lleyton Hewitt-like fighting spirit Manly West and Tregear!

And a reminder to all teams, that the scoreboard is not a perfect measure of performance because lots of players have yet to update their score online. How is the rest of the team performing? We don't know so it is still anyone's game.

If you are doing you best to save electricity at home, update it online! This way you and the rest of your team can enjoy your energy-saving labour of love by watching your school shoot to the top of the scoreboard. What could be better?

## Stories from the playing field: Seaforth, Manly

It would appear that the Seaforth Climate Club families are concentrating on making or continuing their everyday approach to saving energy with the emphasis on turning lights off in rooms when they are not in use, switching power points off when an appliance is not in use and keeping the heat in by blocking drafts.

The McLennan family were very excited to give all the items in the Energy Kit a go with particular interest in measuring temperature. The whole family got involved writing down the readings and understanding how heat and cold can creep in or escape which has made them more aware of their immediate environment.

The Slater family are seeing a difference to their bills with not only their family making a big thing out of doing little things well like switching lights and appliances off whilst not in use, but, their overseas students are also getting a lesson in saving energy especially by 6 yr old Vivian who is hounding them about wasting energy and money when they don't comply.

Well done team!

- Franny Newton, Seaforth Climate Club Captain

## Climate Clubs Survey

A big thank you to all players who have completed the Climate Clubs survey! There are still many of you who have not gotten around to this yet. We urge you to do this ASAP. Players who have not yet completed the online survey will be receiving a paper version in the post this week. This can be returned to your school office or mailed back to the Climate Clubs Program Team in the reply paid envelope enclosed. **Don't forget that by completing the survey you will go into the running for an iPad2!**



## Energy Savings Tip: Kitchen Tips



For most of us cooking dinner is an everyday event. Some love this activity, others not so much, but either way it's something we have to do. The kitchen is a highly energy intensive part of the house, accommodating the fridge, stove and an array of appliances.

Our sponsor Origin Energy has a great tip that not only saves energy, but saves time.

**Use a slow cooker! They use very little energy - plus, you can cook meals in bulk and use the same amount of energy as for cooking one meal!<sup>1</sup>**

If you don't have a slow cooker, don't fret. Another idea is to allocate one night a week as a 'Fresh Food Night' by whipping up a nice salad for the family. This will save energy in the kitchen and provide a nice health kick. This is a great option as the weather warms up!

## How do I compare to the rest of my suburb?

Last week we reminded you that you can compare your energy usage with your team mates by logging in to the Team scoreboard on the Climate Clubs website [www.climateclubs.org.au](http://www.climateclubs.org.au). Your daily electricity consumption is shown on your electricity bill. But how does your energy consumption compare with the rest of the community in your area? Is your average daily kWh consumption high, low or average? Where do you fit?

The average electricity consumption for households across for the whole of Sydney is 20 kilowatt-hours per day. But Sydney is a big place, made up of different climates with diverse housing types, sizes and ages. So, what is the average electricity use for *your* area? Thanks to our Climate Club partners at Ausgrid and Endeavour Energy we can tell you.

**Blacktown:** 20.3 kWh/day – close to the Sydney average.

**Manly:** 17.1 kWh/day – a little under the Sydney average.

**Marrickville:** 13.6 kWh/day – second only to the City of Sydney for low energy consumption.

(Of course, the Climate Clubs Program Team would like to think that Marrickville's low average is due to their involvement in the Climate Clubs pilot last year, but there are probably a couple of other factors involved ☺.)

Now that you know your suburb's average consumption, next time you check out the website, you can not only compare yourself to the rest of your team, but to the entire suburb. Let's see how many of us can get under our suburbs average!

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.energyinstitute.com.au/tips/list/kitchen>

## Who will be your Team's Best and Fairest player?

Is your household making a real effort to save energy at home? Are you close to the top of your team scoreboard? If the answer is yes, then not only do you deserve a big 'well done!', but you could be in the running for you team's Best and Fairest Award at the end of the competition.

At the end of the competition an exceptional player from each school will be awarded the Best and Fairest Award. With so many keen energy savers out there winning this title is not an easy feat.

Worthy winner you might be? Answer me these questions three...

1. Do you have one of the highest scores in your team?
2. Have taken steps to save electricity at home?
3. Have you updated your electricity consumption on the Climate Clubs website?

By satisfying these criteria you will be considered for the Best and Fairest Award. Stay tuned - we will give you more details about the fabulous prizes next term.

Save, Update, Win! Simple.

## THE ENERGY UPDATER AWARD

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Ian Cranwell from Wilkins who has won this week's Energy Updater Award! Ian will receive a **VIP 30 CARD** from **OOVIE**, Australia's leader in latest release movie DVD rentals, plus an **Efergy meter**. **To go into the next prize draw, update your usage online by 5pm on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October.**



## ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Another big **CONGRATULATIONS** to Jo and Andrew Porritt-Fraser from Manly Village who won Rookie of the of week! Thanks Jo and Andrew for taking the time to update your electricity consumption for the first time. You are definitely helping Manly Village stay on top of the Manly Zone scoreboard. We hope you enjoy your \$50 Myers voucher! Keep updating you consumption and you can go int the prize draw for the 'Energy Updater Award'.

**Want to win next time? Update your usage online by 5pm on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October** 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](http://www.climateclubs.org.au)

## Contact us

Feel free to contact us anytime by visiting [www.climateclubs.org.au](http://www.climateclubs.org.au) 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*



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