











GREEN IMPACT INSIGHTS

August 2024



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>>> WELL DONE!

This is my second year organising the Green Impact Cup and I have to say, I was so impressed at both the commitment from Griffith teams this year and the high calibre of entries! I wish I could give all the teams prizes, but of course, the most important prize is that you are all contributing to sustainability awareness and making the world a better place! (Aww) Thank you so much to everyone who participated and I can't wait to see what else you get up to for the rest of the program!

Jess

Congratulations to those teams who have achieved the following award levels:

WTB - Inclusive Green Advocates

BRONZE - Renew-rebels, Green Gatekeepers, GBS Research Greenies, EcoTox Crusaders

SILVER - Guiding Lights, Griffith University Repair Cafe

GOLD - DVCE Gweelas, OGC Green Impact Squad

GI EXPRESS - Nadini Senanayake, Caoimhe Acosta



TEAM INTROS

ECOTOX CRUSADERS

>>> MEET THE TEAM:

The EcoTox Crusaders are a team of 8 from the Australian Rivers Institute, where they specialise in the field of environmental toxicology (hence EcoTox)! The team ranges from Dean to research fellows to research assistants and students, all bringing a different perspective to the team.

2024 GOALS

- to compete in the **Green Impact Cup**
- to raise our individual awareness of sustainability issues
- to connect as a team.





>>> 2024 HIGHLIGHT:

Team Champion, Elissa O'Malley, said that, "Each of the Green Impact Cup challenges have had their own highlight and insights, however one that stands out is filming the sustainability social media video. This challenge inspired us to consider the various aspects of sustainability that are important and how they can be talked about in a concise way. This challenge was also lots of fun to complete and was a great team building experience." The EcoTox Crusaders came 4th place overall for the Cup this year! Check out their amazing Week 2 entry below!

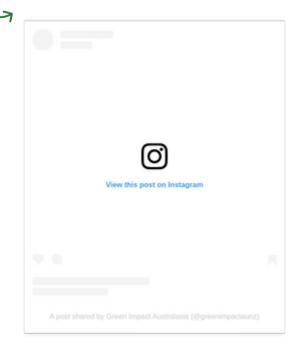
>>> CHALLENGES:

Clearly, sustainability is important to the EcoTox Crusaders, but as most can relate to, work gets busy and finding time for the Cup challenges can be difficult. The team overcame this by having several people in the team who initiated week-by-week to ensure the challenges were organised and completed! Sharing the workload was the key to success!



>>> WELL DONE!

The EcoTox Crusaders have proven that it doesn't matter how long you participate in the Green Impact Program for, every effort is important in moving towards a more sustainable future! Well done, team!





GET INVOLVED:

SDG GAME - CAN YOU CREATE A NEW WORLD FOR 2030?

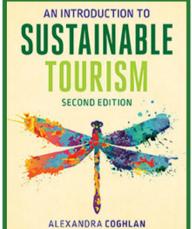
Do you like to negotiate & collaborate for good, and are you ready to get fast & furious, to beat the clock? Come along for an interactive, thought provoking and engaging way to understand the role of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for a sustainable future, your future.

The 2030 SDGs Game is a multiplayer, in-person, card-based game. During the game you will experience the world as it could be in 2030. We played this in April at Nathan Campus and had fun while really understanding the future challenges faced. Once again, the game will be facilitated by trained facilitator Isabelle Nish-Vetter.

WHEN: Thursday 12th September - 1pm - 3:30pm

WHERE: Griffith Innovation Centre, Gold Coast Campus

REGISTER HERE



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Alexandra participated in the SDG Game too!

GREEN BITES - TRAVELLING SUSTAINABILY

Much of our sustainability focus is on our day to day lives, but what about when we travel? Holidays tend to be one area where sustainable action is hard to apply. In this Green Bites, we look at sustainable tourism, and its close cousin regenerative tourism, to see what they are, and what are some tips to travel sustainably or better still, find regenerative travel opportunities.

With school holidays approaching, now is the perfect time to consider how you might make your holiday more sustainable.

WHEN: Thursday 5th September - 12pm

WHERE: Online via Teams.

GUEST SPEAKER: Alexandra Coghlan is Associate Professor in tourism (and Green

Impact participant!)

No need to register. At the appointed time, <u>follow this link</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

EVENT	DETAILS	RELATED ACTION/S
Wear It Purple Day	30th August	S016
Multicultural Week	Mon 2nd - Fri 6th Sept <u>DETAILS HERE</u>	B027
Green Bites	Thurs 5th Sept - 12pm	B018
GI Gathering	Thurs 12th Sept - 12pm	B005/S072
SDG Game - Gold Coast	Thurs 12th Sept - 1pm	Silver Wildcard
ACTS Carbon Literacy Training	16th Sept <u>DETAILS HERE</u>	Wildcard
#actsofconnection Waste & the Circular Economy with Craig Reucassel	17th Sept (12pm) <u>REGISTER HERE</u>	B016
Toohey Trail Run	Sun 22nd Sept REGISTER HERE	G015
GI Toolkit Closes	Fri 4th Oct	













