

Clean Up Australia Day 09 Report

By the Grace of Almighty Allah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya participated in Clean Up Australia Day on the 1st of March 2009. This is the 16th year which Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya took part in the event.

Sydney

Materials and registration details had been prepared earlier on in the week. Khuddam arrived around 8:00am and began registering for the event. The program began at 8.30am with silent prayer which was led by Ameer Sahib, Maulana Mahmood Ahmad Shahid Sahib.

After silent prayer, Khuddam were assigned their duties and were sent to start the massive clean. Khuddam covered the areas of the mosque, Hollinsworth Road and Richmond Road leading up to Blacktown Station which in total was 10km. Drinks and other essentials such as gloves and spare rubbish bags as well as First Aid were supplied and being driven around continuously for Khuddam.

The cleaning ended at 11:30am with all members heading back to the mosque for washing up and then preparing to participate in the BBQ provided by Clean Up Australia Organisation at Nurragingy Reserve. Khuddam made their way to the Reserve and after eating made their way home. The total time spent on the cleaning was four hours in which 66 Khuddam, 15 Ansar and 9 Atfal participated.

All in all it was an enjoyable and successful day.

Melbourne

On Sunday the 1st of March 2009, 70 members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Victoria actively took part in Clean up Australia Day in the City of Frankston. The assigned site for the day was Lloyd Park in Langwarrin where 70 members of the Community ranging from age of 5 to 74 participated.

The program started with the recitation of the Holy Quran. Javed Choudhary, the President of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Victoria addressed the Community members by stating that cleanliness is the part of faith. He thanked the volunteers for their devotion and contribution towards this noble cause of keeping Australia clean and beautiful. At the end there were some light refreshments and drinks organised for the Community.

Brisbane

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Brisbane took part in the Clean Up Australia Day by working on three sites, cleaning up a park, cleaning more than an 8 km stretch of roadside and the local Brisbane Jamaat Mosque. 68 volunteers took part at Browns Plains, 21 members (all Ansar) participated at Stockleigh Road and 49 ladies were involved in cleaning the mosque and

its surroundings. Cr. Cherie Dalley from Logan City Council also joined the Browns Plains site. She worked with the Community for almost an hour and collected a bagful of rubbish. She thanked the volunteers for actively participating in the Clean Up.

Adelaide

The Ahmadiyya Jamaat in Adelaide was also involved in the Australia Clean Up Day by cleaning up the Tapleys Hill Road in West Bech. The attendance was a healthy 38 Khuddam, 20 Ansar and 14 Atfal.

By the Grace of Almighty Allah, events organised for the Clean Up Australia Day in the various cities around Australia were all successful and members of the Ahmadiyya Community contributed towards this immensely and participated with great enthusiasm and passion.