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**The inaugural winner of Keep Australia Beautiful's
"Caring for our Country" Clean Beach Award is
YEPPOON MAIN BEACH**

The award was announced at a ceremony at Surf Life Saving House, Brisbane on 15 December, 2009 by the Chair of Keep Australia Beautiful Queensland, Emeritus Professor Tor Hundloe.

Yeppoon Beach is now an entrant in the national Clean Beach competition which will be held in early 2010.

Other Awards presented:

- 1. Environmental Protection** ...protecting and managing the beach environment
WINNER: Beligan Gardens State School (for its effort at Rowes Bay, Townsville).
Recipient Brett Murphy and Georgia Pontifex
Runner up: Coochiemudlo Island Progress Association (for Morwong Beach).
Recipients Margrit and Dennis Lack
- 2. Partnerships** ...for motivating, educating, involving the community to enhance the beach experience)
WINNERS: Palm Cove and Federation Walk (Friends of Federation Walk)
Recipients: Lynn Wright for Federation Walk and John Astle for Palm Cove
- 3. Litter Prevention** ...litter management and abatement within the beach community
WINNER: Rollingstone State School (Balgol Beach)
Recipient: Judd Burgess and Emma Pace
- 4. Resource Recovery** ...for conservation of natural resources, through the 5 R's refuse, reduce, recover, reuse and recycle
WINNER: Green Island
Recipient: Ben Hill for Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service)
- 5. Young Legends**...demonstrated accomplishment in youth initiated or led activities
WINNERS: Emu Park State School and AB Patterson College
Recipient for Emu Park State School Kerri Picot and Page Ernst
Recipient for AB Patterson College – Rosemary Cameron Head of Faculty Science
- 6. Outstanding Individual/Group** ...outstanding contribution to the beach community
WINNER: Paddy Delalande – (Rockhampton City Council)
Runners up: Griffith University Centre for Coastal Management and Justin (Judd) Burgess of Rollinstone State School
- 7. Friendliest Beach** for making visitors and locals "feel at home", relaxed and safe.
Winners: Whitehaven Beach and Palm Cove

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The winner of the Queensland Beach Challenge will go on to contest the Australian Clean Beach Challenge against beaches from Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and Tasmania in March 2010.

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