

## Barunga's clean slate in Territory's Tidy Town awards

A SMALL community in the Territory Outback, Barunga — 80km southeast of Katherine — took out the NT Tidiest Town award at a ceremony in Darwin yesterday.

The award recognised the town's effort to strive for a sustainable and litter free environment.

Keep Australia Beautiful executive director Helmo Schober said a high level of pride, drive, determination and self esteem put Barunga at the forefront of clean towns. "It is these attributes and

indicators that signalled an up and coming Tidy Town community and Barunga can take honour and pride in the title as Territory's tidiest town for 2009," he said.

"Barunga has been evolving from a remote community into a town. It's right up there with Jabiru and Adelaide River."

Barunga also won the best medium town category, while Nguakurr impressed with their community group partnership projects and Naulyu for their

resource recovery efforts.

Adelaide River was the best small town, Jabiru won best large town, Wadeye won the 'Dame Phyllis Frost' litter prevention, MacDonnell Range Holiday Park won in the water conservation category, Peppimenarti School was the best school and best roadhouse went to Threeways Roadhouse. NT Administrator Tom Pauling announced the winners at Government House.



**TIDY:** (Clockwise from top left) Clair O'Brien, Jake Quinlivan, Jaidine Fejo, Robert Campbell, Shane Bostock, Melissa Cox, Darren Daniels and Michael Berto