



6 February 2024

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2024

Dear Volunteers,

Thank you for registering your site through the Clean Up Australia Day website, this is a great community event that Council are proud to support. We look forward to working with you and are excited to see the difference that the dedication and hard work of all volunteers will make on the day.

There are some things to let you know as we approach Clean Up Australia Day, so please read, and keep the below information briefing your volunteers accordingly on the day.

Rubbish Collection (excludes Schools and Businesses): Please familiarise yourself with your site and nominate the location where full bags of rubbish will be collated for collection. The location should be easily accessible for a large garbage truck so consider a kerbside position or another spot equally accessible. If you need help identifying a location, please get in touch and we can assist. **On the day, please contact event support to confirm the location and number of bags collected, contact number listed overleaf.**

Heritage Sites: Heritage sites are deemed to be 'places and objects of archaeological significance that have a sense of living history, and which offer physical links that connect to the community to earlier generations and their way of life'. Hornsby Shire Council have a significant number of archaeological sites both of Aboriginal and European origin. Information on these sites can be found via the following links and we ask that all care be taken to ensure that they are not disturbed and are maintained for future generations:

- Aboriginal Heritage: <https://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/property/build/heritage> & <https://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/protecting-our-heritage/conservation-of-aboriginal-cultural-heritage/>
- European Heritage: www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/hlep

Hazardous Materials: You may encounter dangerous or hazardous materials which are not safe to collect. Such items may include:

- Syringes, sharps*
- Paint tins
- Asbestos
- Gas bottles
- Batteries and chemicals (including cleaning products)

If you or anyone in your group finds these items, please do not pick them up, instead:

- Take a photo of the item/s
- Make a note of the exact location (address, closest landmark or GPS location)
- Report to Council so that we can arrange safe collection and disposal

* Sharps can be collected by your site supervisor provided a suitable sharps bin is on hand. Refer to [page 7](#) of your [Clean Up Australia Day Site Guide](#)

Larger Items: Items which cannot be lifted safely by two people should be left and if hazardous, reported as per the above protocol. In bushland areas, larger dumped items may now be providing habitat to wildlife and should also be left if in doubt, these items can be reported to your site supervisor for further investigation by Council.

Adverse Weather: Your safety is of utmost importance so please continue to monitor the weather and the practicality of proceeding with your event this weekend, The Bureau of Meteorology provide regular updates on local weather which can be found here: <http://www.bom.gov.au/nsw/>

To postpone your event, please visit: <https://www.cleanup.org.au/bad-weather-contingency> and follow the directions given on the page. **Note:** Due to resourcing limitations, Council is only able to provide a collection service for Clean Up Australia Day material on the Monday following the official event, groups who wish to postpone their event to an alternative date will be responsible for removing their own waste.

Other Reminders: We want to ensure that everyone has a comfortable and enjoyable day so remember to:

- BYO water and sunscreen
- Wear clothing and footwear suitable for working in outdoor environments
- Please follow all safety precautions and wear protective equipment to minimise risk of injury

We thank you again for your participation in this worthwhile event and your dedication to community and the local environment.

COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION:

Before Event	General Enquiries	02 9847 4840 or The Waste Hotline 13 70 30
Day of Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Emergency Contact- On-site trouble shooting- Notification of rubbish collection point	0448 356 175