



2009 - Participant Activities in West Asia

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IRAQ

Samawa

Work for Peace

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ISRAEL

Members' Activity Summaries

Jerusalem

Clean Up Israel

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<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?607/616>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?607/619>

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Clean Up Israel continued their educational initiatives and clean up activities throughout 2009, by organising a series of beach clean ups, site rehabilitation projects, the Green Schools and Adopt a Site programs to attract widespread community participation and raise levels of public awareness concerning environmental issues, across Israel. A focal point of the activities was the Annual Passover Clean Up Campaign, held prior to the Passover holiday in March. A further clean up of the beaches in the city of Ashod was also organised in support of Clean Up the World Weekend, in September, whereby, staff from the Australian Embassy, including the Australian Ambassador to Israel, and more than 400 Israeli school children worked together to remove waste from the city beaches.

Local support provided by: The Australian Embassy in Israel, Israel Ministry of Environmental Protection, Marine and Coastal Division, Israel Nature and National Park Protection Authority, Regional Associations for Environmental Protection, The Ministry of Education, Israeli Defence Force, Jewish Agency - Taglit - Birthright Israel, Masa - Institute for Youth Leadership, EcoOcean - Marine Research and Education, Israeli Yachting Association, Kayak4all - Jaffa Port, The Daniel Amichai Centre for Rowing and Nautical Studies - Yarkon River, Tel Aviv.

KKL-JNF

180,000 volunteers participated in KKL-JNF's 9th national clean up day campaign, carried out in Israel. A total of 1,800 tonnes of waste was collected from forests, parks and communities in 170 municipalities across the country. Locations where clean ups were held included the Jezreel Valley region and the Jesus Trail in the north of Israel, Rishon LeTzion in central Israel and Park Yeruham in the South of the Country. The Mayor of Rishon LeTzion, Dov Tzur, Australian Ambassador, James Larson and KKL-JNF World Chairman, Efi Stenzler, lent their support to the event by attending the opening ceremony and addressing volunteers at a clean up in Rishon LeTzion.

Other participants in Israel are:

Tel Aviv

Australian Embassy, Tel Aviv

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4107/1375>

JORDAN

Member Activity Summary

Amman

Australian Embassy - Amman, Jordan

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The "Clean Up and Save the Forests Campaign", to protect Jordan's forests from littering and degradation, was carried out by the Australian Embassy in Amman for their 2009 participation in Clean Up the World. The Minister of the Environment, school students, embassy staff, local NGO's and companies from the private sector were among the 500 participants that attended a clean up event organised in support of their campaign. An estimated 300 bags of waste was collected on the day and sent away for recycling. Their event received widespread media coverage, including national TV and newspapers.

Local support provided by: Ministry of Environment, Greater Amman Municipality, The Rangers (Environment Police), Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, Walking Jordan, The Royal Film Commission, UMNIAH, ARAMEX, Digital Colours, Feras Printing Press, Aqua Treat.

Jordan Environment Society (JES)

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?572/767>



A series of public awareness campaigns aimed at encouraging the public to reuse and recycle certain types of solid waste (cans, paper, plastic and glass) were accompanied by various clean up activities organised by the Jordan Environment Society (JES). 500 participants attended the campaign launch on August 8, with the Greater Amman Municipality Mayor Eng. Omar Maani and the Parks Department (GAM) lending their support to the event. In total, an estimated 15, 000 participants were involved in activities organised by JES throughout the country.

Local support provided by: Municipality of Greater Amman, United Arab of Emirates Embassy, Jordan Kuwait Bank, Jordan Engineer Associations, Jordanian Free Zones Corporation, White Cement Industry, National Electric Power Co., Municipality of Zarqa, Coca-Cola Co., Marwa Water Co., Star Plastic Co.

The Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan (JREDS)

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?598/639>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?598/641>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?598/642>



Focusing on Jordan's scenic beaches, members of the Royal Marine Conservation Society of Jordan collected over 5,000 kgs of waste over two days. Beginning on the October 17, 75 divers helped to clean up the Gulf of Aqaba east of the Sinai Peninsula. Removing over 1,000 kgs of waste, these activities were followed on 18th by a group of 1,000 volunteers who removed a further 4,000 kgs of waste from the beaches in the area.

Local support provided by: The Arab Potash Company, Aqaba Special Economic Authority, Ministry of Environment, Aqaba Development Corporation, Saraya Aqaba, Lafarge - Jordan Cement, Movenpick Hotel, Play FM Radio.

KUWAIT

Shwaikh

Kuwait Dive Team (of the Environmental Protection Society)

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?3764/903>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?3764/1571>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?3764/1593>

LEBANON

Members' Activity Summaries

El Mina

Environmental Scout Organization

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4224/1603>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4224/1765>

<http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4224/1808>



The Environmental Scout Organisation of Lebanon registered their environmental program carried out at the Palm Island Nature reserve in Tripoli, for the Clean Up the World campaign in 2009. Titled the "Let Me Breathe Campaign", more than 100 scouts participated in a clean up conducted along the coastline of the island reserve, removing various glass, plastic and aluminium waste items from the area. In addition to the clean up, a series of tree planting activities were carried out in November and December whereby 115 Scouts planted 1,300 trees in El Bireh Akkar - an area that has suffered widespread deforestation due to logging.

Local support provided by: Mr. Mohammed Nohad Azayla.

OMAN

Muscat

National Hospitality Institute SAOG

SAUDI ARABIA

Jeddah

Asdiqaa Jeddah (Jeddah Friends)

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A clean up of the Jeddah Waterfront at Corniche, was carried out for the third year in a row by members of Asdiqaa Jeddah (Jeddah Friends). Various activities were conducted throughout the year. Approximately 17 divers carried out an underwater clean up during the months of January and September, an additional 450 volunteers took part in a shoreline clean up for Earth Day in April and in addition to the clean ups, 50 school students took part in a tree planting activity. All of the activities carried out were part of a wider campaign to keep Jeddah and its environment clean and healthy.

Local support provided by: Jeddah Municipality.

 **Nazeeh & Wartan Campaign - ALBAIK**

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?664/902>

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?664/1845>



Working on the scenic Jeddah Peninsula, ALBAIK ran a number of campaigns in 2009. Firstly, ALBAIK engaged youth with a street awareness activity where they, talked to more than 100,000 motorists while raising campaign signs. In addition, a team of 100 volunteers from WAMY (World Assembly of Muslim Youth) and the Friends of Jeddah spent a month on the Corniche, clearing litter from the beach and engaging visitors in the anti-littering campaign. Finally, 57 scuba-divers volunteered to clean up the seabed, removing objects dangerous to bathers and the marine environment. These included items such as cans and bottles, rubber tires and other trash.

Local support provided by: WAMY - Youth Volunteer Groups, Jeddah Municipality, MBC Group.

SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

Damascus  **Green Damascus Association**

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?3658/758>

Latakia  **Al-fareeq attawi litanzif allaziqya**

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4242/1495>

TURKEY

Ankara  **Australian Embassy, Ankara, Turkey**

The Australian Embassy in Ankara organised an event in collaboration with the Yeni Turan Elementary School in Ankara's İskitler neighbourhood, on October 23. An essay and painting exhibition focusing on environmental themes was held at the school to raise levels of awareness about different environmental issues. This was followed by a clean up activity where by students worked with local officials, including the Deputy Mayor of Altındağ and Australian Ambassador to Turkey, Mr Peter Doyle, to clean up a site nearby the school. The day's events captured the attention of the media, with much coverage of the activity appearing in local and national networks.

Local support provided by: Environment and Forestry Provincial General Directorate, Ankara's Altındağ Municipality, En Yeşil Ankara Derneği (Greenest Ankara Association), Türkiye Tabiatını Koruma Derneği (Protection of Turkey's Nature Association) and Migros.


 **Guides and Scouts of Ankara**

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4092/1297>



An educational awareness raising campaign about climate change was organised by the Guides and Scouts of Ankara and promoted to an estimated 1,000 Scout Troops across Turkey. In response to this campaign, many Scout Troops carried out a range of activities to educate younger Scouts about climate change and the Copenhagen conference that took place in December.

Local support provided by: European Union Information Center, Golbasi Dostları Derneği.

 **Scouting and Guiding Federation of Turkey**

The Scouting and Guiding Federation of Turkey organised a range of activities for local Scout and Guide groups in 2010. Working to the guidelines of WOSM's World Environment Program, national camps, competitions and educational programs took place throughout the year. All educational materials were translated into Turkish, so that this information could be distributed to Scout leaders across the country. The main activity, "the Green Finger Campaign" took place during the annual national camp: Erdogan Gurbiyik. In addition to this, the federation conducted the "Big Award Environmental Activities" competition. A total of seven Scout groups participated in a photo competition, whilst another 21 groups carried out a range of waste collection, recycling and tree planting activities, to compete for the title of the "best environmental unit" in Turkey.

Kepez/Canakkale  **Australian Consulate Canakkale, Turkey**









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On September 28, staff from the Australian Consulate in Canakkale worked with students from the Gallipoli Anatolian High School and students visiting from Mount Clear College, in Victoria, Australia, to carry out a tree planting activity, on the school grounds in support of Clean Up the World Weekend. Approximately 15 pine trees were planted, creating a green space for the students to enjoy. After the activity, the Australian Consul and First Secretary to Canakkale, Andrew Koc-McDonald spoke with participants about Clean Up the World and the role that DFAT plays in supporting the campaign. A plaque was also placed on the site to commemorate the event.




Local support provided by: the Australian Consulate Canakkale (sponsors), Turkish National Education Department, Gallipoli Municipality, Gallipoli Anatolian High School, Mount Clear College, Ballarat, Victoria.

Other participants in Turkey are:

- Izmir  **Zeytinlani Primary School Environmental Protection Club**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4197/1423>
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4197/1502>
- Konya  **Vali Ihsan Primary School**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?3492/435>
- Yalova  **Scouts and Guides Yalova Province**

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES




Members' Activity Summaries

- Dubai  **Dubai Municipality**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?573/150>
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?573/1138>






A four day clean up campaign was carried out by Dubai Municipality from October 27-30. Over 24,000 participants from government agencies, NGO's, community groups, schools and businesses cleaned up desert areas, beaches, streets and public spaces to collect approximately 5,199 tonnes of waste, including abandoned machinery and vehicles. Among the participants were divers from the rescue department of the Dubai Police force who worked to remove waste from Dubai Creek and port area. The clean up campaign also marked the start of a new campaign against cigarette butt littering, whereby 50,000 portable ashtrays were distributed to visitors at tourist sites across the emirate.

Local support provided by: Gulf Eternit Industrie, ETA - Zenath Recycling & Waste Management, Grand Hyatt Dubai, DUBAL - Dubai Aluminium Compan, Gulf & Safa Dairies, CP (LLC), Al Pha Emiraes, TCS Express Worldwde, British American Tobacco, Western Union, Union Paper Mills, Trashco, DulSCO, Byrne Equipment Rentals, Fujairah Plastic Industries, Al Ain Water, Abela & Company.

-  **Emirates Environmental Group (EEG)**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?700/553>
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?700/2286>



The 8th edition of "Clean up UAE" campaign organised by Emirates Environment Group (EEG) took place on 12 December, 2009. Across the Emirates, over 15,000 volunteers extended their support to make the campaign a record success collecting 65 tonnes of waste in a nation-wide clean-up operation that was carried out at 70 locations across the country, including schools, shorelines, desert and wadi areas, ports and heritage sites.





-  **Emirates Marine Environmental Group (EMEG)**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?1045/159>
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?1045/480>



For the second year in a row, Emirates Marine Environmental Group (EMEG) organised three clean up events during October and November. Volunteers from schools, corporations and other groups collaborated in gathering a total of 16 tonnes of waste. Six tonnes were collected at Al Silah town and more than eight tonnes at Hamriya Port, both through underwater waste removal. Finally, a beach clean up was held at the Ghantoot reserve in Dubai, collecting approximately two tonnes of debris. All waste was handed to Dubai municipality for segregation and management.

Local support provided by: Dubai Municipality.

Other participants in United Arab Emirates are:

-  **Lightform International Filipino Photographers Guild**
 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?667/128>
 **Marine Turtle Educational League**
 **Scouts Royale Brotherhood UAEC**



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 **SFEA INTL. (Society of Filipino Engrs. & Architects)**

 <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/?4334/1631>