

MEDIA RELEASE

Roper Gulf Wins Tidy Towns Four Years in a Row

The Roper Gulf Shire again took out the highly coveted award of Territory Tidiest Town in the 2012 Awards, the fourth year in a row for the Roper Gulf Shire. Beswick has now won the award back to back as did Barunga two years in a row in 2009 and 2010.

The Shire townships continue to inspire and succeed in addressing environmental and service delivery issues in regional urban centres and have raised the bar for other townships in the NT.

The Roper Gulf Shire Council is committed to caring for the environment and delivering services such as waste management, parks and gardens and engaging with community members is the formula behind the Shires success.

Mayor Tony Jack said: "Roper Gulf is committed to continuous community engagement and to win this award for four consecutive years is a true reflection of the efforts by community and the Shire working together."

By striving to win the award many things change for the better in our townships, litter and waste management services improve; community engagement increases; special areas are protected and enhanced through park management; recycling and reusing waste is also increased.

Mal Fox the Shire Services Manager said " Beswick Shire staff would like to thank everyone for there kind words and congratulations, also we shouldn't forget the achievements of Barunga "once again" winning the Dame Phyllis Frost litter management award, which is also one of the big awards of the night. I would like to thank, Shire Services Manager Robert Campbell and his staff from Barunga for helping us achieve the Territories Tidiest Town award this year as we wouldn't be able to achieve this without a visit twice a week from them. Thank you".

Roper Gulf Shire sends all Shire operations in the NT a challenge to see them at next years awards and continue this locally focused campaign to improve public amenity in our remote townships.

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