



MEDIA RELEASE

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Crawley student awarded national water prize

A student from Crawley, Western Australia has won the national title for the Australian Water Association's Undergraduate Water Prize. Samuel Clearly, an undergraduate at the University of Western Australia, was awarded the title for his research on reducing stream salinity in the Warren River Recovery Catchment.

Awarded the prize at the Ozwater'10 conference and exhibition this week, Samuel Clearly said: "It is a great privilege to win this award. I have been lucky to have support from great supervisors, local government and the Department of Water, and I hope my work provides some interesting results for catchment managers and landowners."

Samuel's paper will now be published in the AWA's Water Journal and he will receive three years membership to the AWA's Young Water Professional network.

The National Undergraduate Water Prize is an opportunity for undergraduate university students to showcase innovative projects related to the water sector. The award aims to encourage and attract young scientists into the water industry. For more information about the AWA national awards program go to www.awa.asn.au/awards

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Notes to Editors

- The Australian Water Association (AWA) is Australia's leading water sector body, representing over 10,000 water professionals around the country and across all water disciplines.
- AWA provides leadership in the water sector on a wide range of issues, including skills shortages, climate change and water reuse and recycling.
- AWA works to enhance the skills and knowledge of water professionals and promote and disseminate best practice through an extensive range of technical seminars, courses and events.
- Ozwater '10 provides the Australian water sector with an opportunity to showcase leading edge technologies and best practice to international agencies and organisations.