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Voluntary Kick-Start to a Fun Weekend on the Beach!

Yet another Clean up Event at Tallebudgera was successfully run by BeachCare over the past weekend.

"I scheduled the date in my diary and made a commitment to attend the clean-up, and am very pleased that I did!" – Chantel Charchalis, from Volunteering Gold Coast.

"The morning kick-started at 9am with over 15 happy faces ready to volunteer their Saturday morning to help keep our coast beautiful."

"It was wonderful to see how enthusiastic and excited everyone was to get stuck in and start cleaning up the beach! All the kids couldn't wait to grab a pick-up stick and start cleaning up rubbish!" says Chantel.

"BeachCare provided gloves, pick-up sticks, garbage bags, sunscreen, and hand sanitizers – it was very well organised!"

"I had never volunteered with Beachcare before and I was incredibly glad I did! The weather was beautiful, and the Tallebudgera area is stunning! Getting out and about was the perfect kick-start to the weekend."

"It didn't take long before the reality hit of how much of our beautiful coast we take for granted. The sand was littered with beer bottles, empty bait bags, cigarette butts and even shards of glass!

"It is normally something that is easily over-looked, but when you are out there looking for it, you begin to notice just how careless people have been with their litter."

"We ended up with several huge bags of rubbish collected from a one hour period!"

"After the work was done, we were all treated to a very lovely free morning tea put on by Beachcare – fruits, Turkish bread with Hummus, lamingtons, juice and cordial. Each event, Barabara Knight, a dedicated volunteer, also brings special home-made treats – which this week was meat-balls with dipping sauce and chocolate muffins."

"I would encourage and recommend that everyone has a look at the upcoming BeachCare events and schedule them in to their diary! It was a fantastic day, and I will definitely be heading along again soon!"

For the beachcare volunteer info, as well as hundreds of other Volunteer Vacancies, contact Volunteering Gold Coast on 5526 2811.

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