Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc

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Waterwatch Report 23 June 2024

## Scope

- Basic chemistry tests at all sites.
- Dissolved Oxygen tests at the upstream sites (YSC010, YSC012 (also called 1a, 1b)).
- Flow measurement and/or observations at all sites.
- Habitat surveys at the upstream sites.


## Weather Conditions

Previous week: Cold, partly cloudy, 1 mm rain.
Previous 24 hours: Partly cloudy, no rain.
During testing: Cold, sunny.

## Water Quality Results

|  | YSC010 <br> Site 1A <br> Fiander <br> arm | YSC012 <br> Site 1B <br> Crosby <br> arm | YSC020 <br> Site 2 <br> Regent <br> St | YVA100 <br> Site 3 <br> Valley <br> Creek |  |  |
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| Air Temp C | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |  |  |
| Water Temp C | 8 | 9 | 9.5 | 18.5 |  |  |
| pH | 7.1 | G | 6.9 | E | 6.9 | E |

( $\mathrm{E}=$ Excellent, $\mathrm{G}=$ Good, $\mathrm{F}=$ Fair, $\mathrm{P}=$ Poor, $\mathrm{D}=$ Degraded $)$

## Habitat Surveys

Site YSC010 (1a), Scotchmans Creek upstream of Crosby Drive/Turner Court. Verge vegetation is gradually improving. The numerical scoring was 22/40, rated Fair.

Site YSC012 (1b), Glen Waverley Drain. Bank and verge vegetation continues to recover. The numerical scoring was 26/40, rated Fair.

The habitat photosets are below.


YSC010 - Upstream
YSC010 - Instream


YSC012 - Instream

YSC010 - Downstream


YSC012 - Downstream

## Comments:

- The flow at site YSC012 (Glen Waverley Drain) was unexpectedly high and clear (Excellent turbidity result).
- Conductivity at site YSC010 was unusually high (Degraded).
- We were unable to test the phosphorus level because we have used all the test reagent.
- The moderate temperature of the Valley Ck sample may have been caused by heating in the car bringing it back to the upstream site for testing.

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