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## AWARDS FOR BOODEREE'S CLEAN BEACHES

Booderee National Park has garnered a clutch of awards in the South Coast Keep Australia Beautiful Clean Beach Challenge.

Booderee's stunning Green Patch Beach is the overall winner of the cleanest south coast beach. Green Patch has also won the Remondis Resource Management Award, in recognition of the park's success in reducing its carbon footprint by cutting energy and water use and increasing its recycling.

And Cave Beach – one of the most popular surf beaches for locals – has won a litter prevention award.

“Green Patch and Cave Beach are two of the most spectacular beaches south of the tropics”, Booderee's Visitor Services Manager John Harvey said today.

“More than 400,000 visitors come here each year to enjoy the dazzling white sands and the exceptional clarity of the Jervis Bay waters - ensuring Booderee's reputation as one of the premier tourist attractions of the south coast and a vital contributor to the regional economy

“These awards recognise the huge efforts of park staff and the whole Shoalhaven community to keep these fantastic beaches as pristine as possible.”

Booderee now goes on to compete in all three categories for the New South Wales awards, which will be announced at Taronga Zoo on December 5.

Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Chief Executive Peter McLean said Green Patch was the south coast's clear overall winner.

“Green Patch Beach is a stunning example of a holistic management approach to environmental care for the beach environment,” he said.

“This beach stands above the others in several key areas such as accessibility, facilities and water use.”

Plenty of parking, camping and amenities mean tourists have easy access to snorkelling or kayaking in sparkling clear water, hiking and birdwatching.

The Keep Australia Beautiful award is not the only honour for Booderee this week. Booderee is also a finalist in two categories of the prestigious NSW State Tourism awards, to be announced at Star City Casino on Thursday 20 November.

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