

Friends of Scotchmans Creek and Valley Reserve Inc



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Waterwatch Report 23 July 2023

Scope

- Basic chemistry and ammonium tests at all sites. No pH or phosphorus were tested due to indicator unavailable.
- Dissolved Oxygen tests at sites 2, 3 (downstream sites).
- Flow measurement and/or observations at all sites.
- Habitat assessments at sites 2 and 3 (downstream sites).

Weather Conditions

Previous week: 3.5 mm rain. Previous 24 hours: No rain. During testing: Overcast.

Water Quality Results

	YSC010 Site 1A Fiander arm	YSC012 Site 1B Crosby arm	YSC020 Site 2 Regent St	YVA100 Site 3 Valley Creek
Air Temp C	10.5	10	10	10
Water Temp C	10	10	8.5	9
pН				
Oxygen Conc. mg/l			7.9 G	6.5 G
Conductivity E.C.	930 D	340 F	660 P	760 D
Turbidity F.T.U	15 G	7 E	15 G	11 E
Phosphorus, soluble ppm				
Ammonium NH4+ ppm	0.02 E	0.00 E	0.00 E	0.00 E
Stream Flow estimate 1/s	8.4	12.7	8.5	0.0

(E = Excellent, G = Good, F = Fair, P = Poor, D = Degraded)

Habitat Assessments

Site YSC020 (2), Scotchmans Creek downstream, Regent Street. West bank vegetation growing well. Some new dianella plants at top of west bank. In-stream vegetation degraded/gone. The scoring was 28/40, rated as Fair.

Site YVA100 (3), Scotchmans Creek downstream, Valley Creek. Weeds on south side thinned out. The scoring was 29/40, rated as Good.

The habitat photosets are below.



Comments:

- No pH or phosphorus measurements were taken as there was no chemicals available.
- Oxygen level was Good for Sites 2 and 3.
- Turbidity results were Good to Excellent for all sites.
- Conductivity reading was high for all sites.
- Ammonium results were Excellent for all sites.
- Habitat scoring for Sites 2 & 3 are steady.