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Beatty Parks Gets Gong for Being Water Wise

The Town of Vincent is proud to announce that Beatty Park Leisure Centre is a finalist in the 2007 Water Awards in the Water Conservation and Efficiency category.

Run by the Water Corporation and Department of Water, the Water Awards recognise excellence in water management.

"Over a number of years Beatty Park has been looking at ways to improve water efficiency and be water wise and we are delighted that these efforts have been acknowledged," said Mayor Nick Catania.

"Even though Beatty Park is one of the largest aquatic centres in the State, through good management and a commitment to a sustainable future, we have managed to reduce its water consumption for the past 3 years in a row. Last year the Centre used almost 28,000 kilolitres less water than it did in 2003 – this equates to approx 1.2 million 3-minute showers!" concluded Mayor Catania.

Water savings have been made with the introduction of pool blankets during 2004 (reducing evaporation), the installation of water efficient shower heads in 2005/06 and better efficiencies in the pool filter backwashing procedure over the same period.

In addition, Beatty Park has put in applications for Community Water Grants to help the Centre to meet its water saving goals. The Centre intends to increase water efficiencies in the change-room areas by introducing flow control devices in the showers and hand basins, push button timers for the hand basins, more efficient dual flush toilet cisterns and pans, water efficient and low odour urinals.

The Awards will be announced on 11 October 2007.

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