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Cicada Awards

Participants in the inaugural *Cicada Awards* were innovative, tackled some difficult topics, involved their families and shared with their friends.

The *Cicada Awards*, launched in the 25th year of the *Wildlife Preservation Society of Qld Bayside Branch* heralds another era of environmental education and action.

Children are the ones with the most at stake; they are the inheritors of what's left. It's only right that we give them opportunities to express themselves.

There was lots of laughter and learning as the entrants used their creativity to depict problems and offer solutions.

As a long time advocate for the environment and as one of the judges, I was heartened by the response and impressed by the quality of entries.

Congratulations to the winners and commendations to all involved. ○