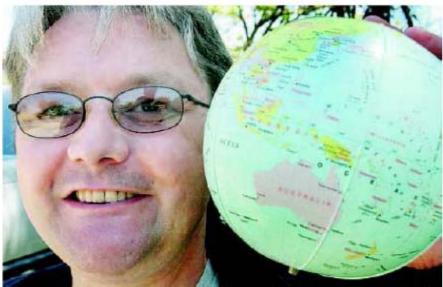
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Jamie Blackwood was one of 100 Australians to take part in a national conference on global warming recently. Picture: Dominique Menegaldo

## Jamie warms to an environment appeal

GLOBAL warming is a hot topic for Westminster resident Jamie Blackwood.

Mr Blackwood recently took part in the World Wide Views on Global Warming conference held in Sydney by the University of Technology.

The two-day consultation involved 100 Australians meeting to discuss their views on global warming and answer a variety of questions. The participants were split across 17 tables, with each table having to come up with recommendations on different aspects of issues discussed.

Mr Blackwood, one of 11
WA people to participate, said
a broad cross-section of the
community was selected and
he had been chosen based on
the target demographic.

"It was a way for me as a person on the pension to have

The participants were split their voice heard," he said.

He said being involved had made him more interested in the environment.

The conference took place in 38 other countries, with groups of 100 citizens answering the same questions.

The statements that come out of each consultation will be taken to the United Nations Climate talks in Copenhagen in December.