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CHANGE AT THE HELM OF PSF

After seven years during which she helped establish the PSF, Jenny Pickles is now working at Sustainability Victoria as Director Integrated Waste Management. We wish Jenny every success in her new role.

Chris Jeffreys has been appointed General Manager of the PSF following seven years as National Programme Manager with the past four years focussing on Glass Recovery and Recycling for the PSF. Chris has been responsible for introducing projects and initiatives which now collectively process over 30,000 tonnes of glass each year.

AMP CAPITAL SHOPPING CENTRES LAUNCH NATIONAL RECYCLING PROGRAMME AT MARRICKVILLE METRO



New recycling bins and facilities installed at AMP Capital Shopping Centre's Marrickville Metro will divert 13 tonnes, the equivalent of 3,000 shopping trolleys per year, of bottles, cans and other recyclable material from landfill per annum.

Located throughout the general mall, food-court and back of house areas, the new recycling bins will provide away-from-home recycling facilities for more than 5.6 million customers that visit the shopping centre each year. 14 systems have been installed, which are estimated to collect the equivalent of 540,000 small PET bottles in just one year.

Marrickville Metro is the first of 17 AMP Capital centres nationwide to install recycling bins, of which ten will be in New South Wales, including Auburn Homemaker Megamall, Casula Mall, Crossroads Homemaker Centre, Dapto Mall, Junction Fair, Macquarie Centre, Northbridge Plaza, Riverside Plaza, Royal Randwick and Wattle Grove.

NSW Environment Minister Robyn Parker MP Showing visitors to Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre how to "Do the Right Thing"

EVERY DAY IS WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY FOR THE PSF

On 5 June World Environment Day the PSF celebrated a successful year building the National Bin Network across Australia with the delivery of more than thirty Away from Home recycling projects at airports, universities, shopping centres and sports stadia as well as glass recycling projects providing opportunities for more than **42,000 tonnes of drinks and food containers** to be recycled which would otherwise have been destined for landfill or litter! Congratulations and thank you to all of our project partners.

TASMANIA NBN PROJECTS

DOING THE RIGHT THING

Devonport City Council has installed two solar-powered tech smart compactor bins at the Mersey Bluff beach reserve and Surf Club area to prevent overflowing bins occurring near waterways.



As part of the National Bin Network in Tasmania, \$230,000 is being invested in programmes across Tasmania to increase recycling at schools, tourist attractions, shopping centres, foreshore areas and entertainment venues

Lilydale District School already delivering results and now recycling an extra tonne each year doing the right thing and keeping Australia beautiful

New bins have also recently been installed in Salamanca Place, a highly visited area in Hobart by both locals and tourists. The new bins will provide the thousands of visitors annually with a convenient opportunity to do the right thing and use the right bin.



DO THE RIGHT THING, USE THE RIGHT BIN

Victoria University has introduced recycling bins across four of their campuses to enable over 33,000 students and staff to recycle their plastic, cans and bottles.

Funded by the Packaging Stewardship Forum (PSF) of the Australian Food and Grocery Council and Victoria University, 40 new waste and recycling bins have been installed across four university campuses including, St Albans, Werribee, Footscray Nicholson and Footscray Park, each carrying the national recycling call to action, *Do The Right Thing, Use the Right Bin*.

The new systems have already diverted more than 33 tonnes PET bottles and aluminium cans from landfill equivalent to more than 1,300,000 small plastic drink bottles



NEW ZEALAND NEWS

**BP AND COCA COLA
BRING LOVE NEW
ZEALAND PUBLIC
PLACE RECYCLING
TO GARAGE
FORECOURTS**



GLASS RECYCLING AND REUSE PROGRAM

Recycling of glass back to bottles in regional areas of Australia has always been expensive and non-sustainable. Establishing the use of Recovered Crushed Glass (RCG) as an alternative to virgin sand in civil construction applications is of particular importance for regional and remote communities by allowing them to produce a fine aggregate sand replacement, diverting glass from landfill and reducing the need to transport and purchase additional virgin quarried sand.

Projects initiated over the past year include:-

- A Mobile glass crusher to reprocess around 1000 tonnes of glass bottles and jars collected from households and businesses in Corrigin, Kulin, Kondinin and Narembeen in WA;
- A partnership project with five councils within the NetWaste region in NSWPS utilising a mobile crusher for approx. 900 tonnes of waste glass for use in local civil construction.
- Upgrade to glass reprocessing equipment with Cairns Regional Council to increase capacity to process glass fines to required specifications for use in local civil construction markets;
- TPI Cleanaway Kalgoorlie and Albany Glass Reprocessing Project in WA to reprocess glass fines into a fine aggregate suitable for civil construction applications



A three-year programme and partnership between Coca-Cola New Zealand, BP NZ and Love NZ is providing innovative forecourt recycling infrastructure 'bintainers' across New Zealand. The programme has introduced recycling bins for the first time at New Zealand petrol service station forecourts. 43 "bintainers" have already been installed and each bintainer is already collecting on average 350kg of recyclable material each month equivalent to around 13,000 cans, bottles and cups. A Public Place Recycling Scheme has been established promoting the Love NZ brand as its community partner to increase recycling and reduce waste and litter. Hon Amy Adams, Minister for the Environment NZ launching public place recycling at BP Connect, Lunn Avenue Auckland

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