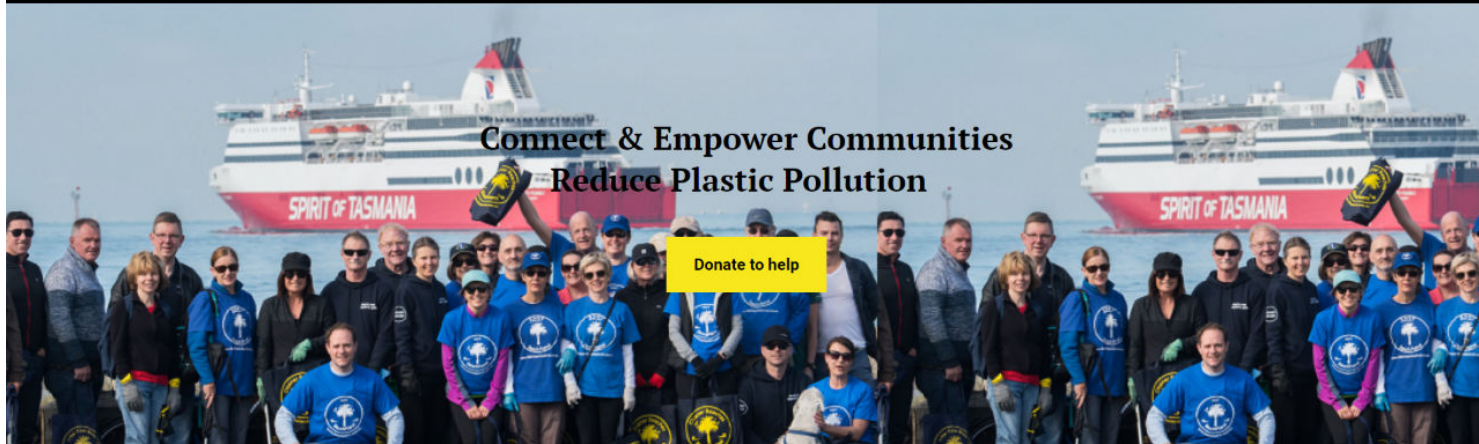


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### Key event days

[Global Recycling Day](#) - 18th March

[Earth Hour](#) - 26th March

[Green Living Festival](#) - 2nd April

[Earth Day](#) - 22nd April

[World Bee Day](#) - 20th May

## Australian Plastic News



### South Australia Single-Use Plastic Ban update

South Australia became the first state to ban plastic drinking straws, stirrers and cutlery from sale, supply and distribution in March last year. One year later and the ban will expand to polystyrene cups, bowls, plates and oxo-degradable plastic products.

[Learn More](#)



### A plastic pollution treaty

A plastic pollution treaty has been approved by The United Nations. This is a world-first and most significant environmental deal since the 2015 Paris climate agreement. The treaty is designed to help restrict plastic production, as well as single-use packaging.

[Learn More](#)











### NSW Litter reduced by 43%

NSW has seen a big drop in litter since the introduction of the Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) in 2017, which is a return and earn scheme. The system is planned to be set up in Victoria in 2023 to help with recycling and reducing littering.

[Learn More](#)

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### LitterStopper App

Did you know BeachPatrol has developed a simple to use phone app to help record the plastic litter you collect on your cleans? It records your location and the different types of plastic. The data is uploaded to the BeachPatrol website under your respective group and also to a larger database called [litterstopper.com](http://litterstopper.com). LitterStopper makes your pick-up efforts count.

[Learn More](#)



### Eco-defender Colleen Hughson is the 2022 Warrnambool Citizen of the Year

Colleen leads BeachPatrol 5280-5284, and along with a team of fellow volunteers, she was instrumental in the banning of plastic-stemmed cotton buds in Victoria and New South Wales. Congrats on all your achievements!

[Learn More](#)

### Colleen collected 420kg of trash on 100km trek along Shipwreck Coast

Colleen was joined by a team of family, friends and local landowners. They walked from Warrnambool to Portland for 7 days and along the way documented the litter they collected. The two main items were foreign drink bottles and commercial fishing gear.

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## DELWP are now receiving the LitterStopper Data

BeachPatrol and Love Our Street LitterStopper entries are now direct loaded into the State Government's DELWP-Litterwatch program. The Litterwatch program is designed to inform the State government of the litter problem items and make the data public and available to everyone.

[Learn More](#)

## The problem of plastic litter on our beaches

Want to know more about the issues of plastic ending up in our waterways? We have produced an educational video of the impact of litter and how important it is to record what is washed or picked up, to showcase the magnitude of the problem.

[Learn More](#)



## 2021 Litter Collection Highlights

Thanks to our amazing volunteers and despite lockdowns, last year we recorded collecting 7,325 glass bottles, 10,612 plastic bottles, 8,699 metal cans, 3,960 PPE, 14,265 soft plastic less than 5cm, plus much more. See the 2021 annual report of plastic litter collected [here](#).

### January 2022 Litter Stopper Entries

760 glass bottles, 1,629 plastic drink bottles, 1,125 metal cans, 1,079 PPE plus more.

### February 2022 Litter Stopper Entries

624 glass bottles, 775 plastic drink bottles, 790 metal cans, 548 PPE plus more.

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## Training Sessions

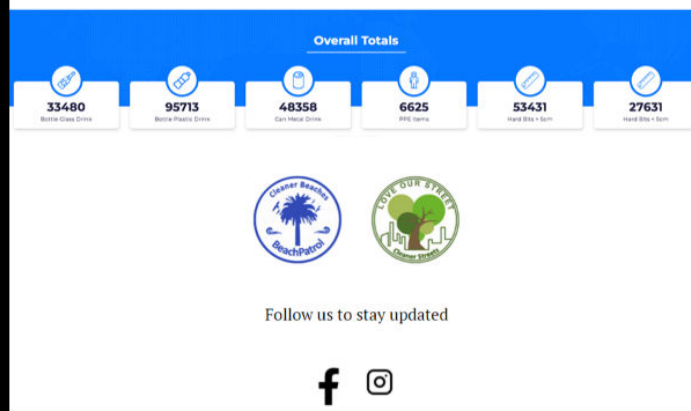
Join the following session to learn more about how to record your litter collections in the LitterStopper app.





[Litter Stopper Training](#) - 15th March, 6:30 pm

## Reasons to Join a BeachPatrol Group

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Pieces of Plastic picked up



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