

ZERO WASTE IN NOVEMBER 2020

As we're slowly opening up and getting back to normal, it is worth thinking about what we want our new normal to look like. What are ways we can be less wasteful as a society in future? What initiatives could be implemented in our communities to make reducing waste easier for everyone? We cover one of these ways in our Zero Waste Champion interview this month and share more inspiring projects in our news section.



Zero Waste Champion

When Melbourne was turning to disposables during lockdown, *Noa and Parker* was partnering up with cafes to offer a reusable container takeaway delivery (and pick up) service.

Read our interview with co-founder Jeremy Kerrigan to learn about *Noa and Parker's* start-up story and how it pivoted from providing cups to borrow to reusable container takeaway delivery, and where to next!

Read the interview here.

Online Events

Slow Clothing with Jane Milburn
Tue, 10 Nov 7pm-8pm

Fermenting for Basics
Sat, 14 Nov 10am-12.30pm



School Sustainability Festival: Celebrating Youth Leadership in Climate and Biodiversity

Wed, 18 Nov 9:15am-2.30pm

The Thrifty Gardener
Thu, 19 Nov 7pm-8.30pm

Australian Circular Economy Hub Launch



Sustainable Home and Kitchen Sat, 28 Nov 2pm-3pm





Give Your Feedback on the Container Deposit Scheme

The VIC government is moving ahead with plans for a container deposit scheme, which is great news!

It is looking for feeback via a quick survey. It will only take a few moments of your time! Give your feedback

here: https://engage.vic.gov.au/container-deposit-scheme/cds-short-survey.



Can You Support the Cause to Offer Reusables in Schools?

The Premier has announced that single-use pads and tampons will be available for free to school age girls. This is applaudable, but girls should have the option to use more sustainable period products that are better for their health and our environment and that will save them loads of money.

Please add your name to this <u>parliamentary</u> <u>petition</u> and share it with your network!

Zero Waste Victoria Online Community

We have an amazing <u>Facebook community</u> who share their own zero waste tips and stories. Here are some of the highlights and tips from the past month.

What are the best <u>shampoo and conditioner bars on a budget</u>?

Have a drawer of wooden chopsticks? Some ideas of <u>what they can be used</u>
<u>for</u>

Some ways to use avocado pips instead of composting or planting them!



Joost's Future Food System

Emily and our friend Erin, were lucky enough to get a behind the scenes look at Fed Square to learn how Joost Bakker is creating a local zero waste ecosystem urban home that chefs Matt Stone and Jo Barrett will live in - think siliconfree, PVC-free, FSC wood-free, mushroom walls, food forest, aquaponics, battery storage, biogas digester, 100% recyclable materials and more! Watch Joost, Matt and Jo share this project at our Zero Waste Festival here. Find out more through our instagram post and the Future Food System website.



News & Inspiration

- A group of masters students has designed a device to <u>curb</u> <u>microplastic shedding</u> from tyres
- Wasteless Vegan Kitchen is home delivering vegan and GF meals in returnable glass jars
- A recently launched website, <u>Checkout My Shed</u>, lets you rent home items like tents, tools, ladders, kitchen appliances, surfboards etc. to others

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If you'd like to contribute or have something to share in the monthly newsletters, please get in touch at newsletter@zerowastevictoria.org.au.

For all other enquires, email info@zerowastevictoria.org.au.

We'll be back in your inbox next month. But if you can't wait til then for more zero waste inspiration, why not join in the chat in our <u>Facebook group</u>.

Think your friends might be interested in receiving this newsletter too? Direct them to our <u>mailing list sign-up page</u>.

Thank you for being part of the change,
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