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Public called on to “do a Bundanoon” and ban bottled water in their daily lives

It’s one year since Bundanoon banned bottled water

It’s now one year since the town of Bundanoon stopped the sale of bottled water in its retail outlets. To celebrate this, the action group Do Something! is calling on Australians to drink tap water instead of bottled water. It’s also calling on Councils to put more water bubblers back on our streets.

Do Something! Founder Jon Dee helped Bundanoon to organise the ban. He also organised free water bubblers for the town and fronted over 100 media interviews around the world.

Dee said, “The people of Bundanoon have shown how easy it is to live their lives without buying bottled water. It’s not available in any of their shops. By switching back to tap water and street bubblers, they’re not just helping the environment – they’re saving lots of money too.”

Every year, Australians are spending half a billion dollars on bottled water, even though high quality drinking water is available for next to nothing out of the tap.

“In Sydney, tap water costs \$2.01 for a thousand litres”, said Dee. “Many bottled water brands charge more than that for one litre. We recently found one bottled water brand that was 10 times the price of petrol.”

When the community voted 355 to one to go bottled water free, it captured the world’s imagination and focused attention on the need for more water bubblers on our streets. “To celebrate the anniversary of that achievement, Councils should follow Bundanoon’s lead and install more water bubblers in local communities,” said Dee.

“People have a right to free drinking water when they’re out and about,” said Dee. “Installing more water bubblers gives people 24 hour access to free drinking water.”

**To interview Jon Dee, contact 02 9519 8766.
For more information, visit www.DoSomething.net.au**

Through its Go Tap campaign, Do Something is urging Australians to:

- 1. Go Tap – and choose tap water over bottled water.*
- 2. Buy a refillable bottle (ensure that it’s ‘BPA free’).*
- 3. Do away with big bottled water - use tap or filtered water in offices.*
- 4. Lobby local councils to install water fountains & bubblers.*