



**JECO**  
The Jewish Ecological Coalition

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## **JECO eNews - November 2017**

It's been an exciting few weeks at JECO with a diverse range of events including the launch of the [St Kilda Repair café](#), our [Mitzvah Day Reverse Garage sale](#), a tour of Eva's sustainable garden and the [edible weed walk](#) along the Elwood canal. Next up we have our [AGM and screening of "Guardians of the Galilee" on December 3<sup>rd</sup>](#), followed by our second St Kilda Repair Café on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Outside of JECO there is loads going on in the local Sustainability and Climate Change Action community, including an important [Stop Adani](#) event in Malvern on Friday, the [screening of the film "Tomorrow" by the Bayside Climate Change Action Group](#), a [tour of the sustainability feature of Booran Reserve](#), a [frog hunt for kids](#), and an opportunity to learn about [aquaponics](#).

How good are you at recycling? Test yourself [here](#) with this quiz by Planet Ark, and go into the draw to win some prizes.

Hoping to see you at an event soon.

Best wishes

Tammy

## Recent Events

### St Kilda Repair Cafe



Here are just a few of the happy faces from the launch of the St Kilda Repair Café last Sunday. Our wonderful volunteers fixed clothes, wheelchairs, jewellery, fans and more, whilst visitors watched, learned and had a cup of tea. We mended 40kg of stuff, that is 40kg that would otherwise have been sent to landfill.

If you have any broken items at home, bring them to our second

Repair Café on December 12<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm at the Port Phillip EcoCentre. More details can be found on our dedicated [website](#). Our volunteers will try their hands at fixing anything, as long as you can carry it in.



## Mitzvah day - reverse garage sale



Thank you, Jaclyn, for turning your garage into a central drop-off point for reusable and recyclable items ranging from batteries and electronic equipment to toiletries and bras. And thank you to Evelyn and her team who then delivered these items to where they would begin their second life. Altogether we collected three full carloads, a trailer and truck full of pre-loved belongings. Did you know that x-ray films contain silver which can be extracted and passed onto the precious metal industry? For a full list of what we collected and where we sent it, click [here](#). A very fitting end to [National Recycling Week](#).

## Edible weed walk

Food foraging along the Elwood Canal in the spring sunshine with a group of like-minded adults and children is a fun way to spend a Sunday. It could also be considered a course in essential survival skills. Although few of us can survive



for long on chickweed and angled-onion (pictured) alone, it certainly opened our minds to how nutritious food is available in many places and not just the supermarket shelves. Moreover this is free nutritious food. If I had done this course a few weeks earlier I may not have spent so much money on catering for my son's Barmitzvah. We hope to have Adam Grubb, from [Very Edible Gardens](#), run this session again in April to show us what autumn weeds are edible. Drop us an email if you would like to join us, or keep reading enews.

# Take Action

Please come to this important event on Friday to voice concern about the proposed Adani Coalmine

## [#STOPADANI SHAKEUP at Kelly O'Dwyer's office](#)

**Where:** 1343 Malvern Road, Malvern (between Glenferrie Road and Tooronga Road)

**When:** Friday, November 24

**When:** 11.00-12.00

**Who are we:** Higgins ACF Stop Adani Climate Action Group

### [We are calling on Kelly O'Dwyer to:](#)

- take action to stop the Queensland Adani mega coal mining going ahead
- take action to prevent \$A1 BILLION of public money (from the NAIF) going to Mr Adani as a concessional loan to build his railway line from the mine to The Reef
- stop the mega coal mine that is going to further damage The Great Barrier Reef

Join us for some fun.

Come in coloured clothing to represent The Reef, or in red and black which are the #STOP ADANI colours.

We will have a placard for you, or bring your own.

If you're able to join us or you'd like more information PHONE Diana on 9510-1757. Or just show up!

[www.acf.org.au/arfisk/shake\\_it\\_with\\_kelly\\_stopadani\\_in\\_higgins](http://www.acf.org.au/arfisk/shake_it_with_kelly_stopadani_in_higgins)

# Annual General Meeting & Film: Guarding the Galilee

You are cordially invited to attend our  
Annual General Meeting  
On Sunday 3rd December 2017  
5-7pm

At the Port Phillip EcoCentre, 55A Blessington St, St Kilda (next to the St Kilda Botanical Gardens).

Followed by a screening of the documentary:



**AGM: 5pm**

**Film: 5.30pm**

**AGM agenda:** Welcome & apologies, confirmation of minutes of previous AGM, President's Report, Treasurer's Report, Election of new committee & promotion of future events.

**RSVP:** [info@jeco.org.au](mailto:info@jeco.org.au).

Nominate yourself or someone else for the JECO committee: [Nomination form](#)

Appoint a proxy to vote for you at the AGM: [Proxy form](#)

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