

## **THE BIG WEEKEND OF SUSTAINABILITY IDEAS**

The BIG Weekend of Sustainability Ideas is happening this weekend, 25-26 March, in Bridgewater, at the Brighton Council Civic Centre and MONA's Material Institute.

Margaret Steadman, President Sustainable Living Tasmania, said "There are over 100 exhibitors, presenters, workshop hosts, activities, entertainers and much more, all sharing their ideas, projects and initiatives focusing on a more sustainable way of living."

"There is something for everyone, clothing, toy and book swaps, a Bicycle Network Back on Your Bike Workshop, indigenous bushfood workshops presented by Palawa Kipli, fermentation demonstrations, pottery classes, foreshore walks and talks, presented by Landcare Tas, and an all-electric race car from the University of Tasmania Motorsports." Margaret Steadman said.

Brighton Council Mayor, Leigh Gray said "Brighton Council is proudly supporting the event, contributing \$10,000 in addition to connecting local sustainability networks such as MONA's Material Institute, Landcare Tasmania, the Derwent Estuary program, the Derwent Catchment Project, land care groups, businesses and social enterprises."

"Momentum is gaining, our climate change action is making a difference, and this will only expand as we work with the community, and all levels of government on a range of climate responses. Our involvement in the upcoming BIG Weekend of Sustainability Ideas is one example of this."

"We are proud of our climate change action, outlined in our Climate Change and Resilience Strategy. We have achieved a 70% emission reduction across Council's operations and have endorsed emissions reduction targets of 85% by 2030, based on 2021 levels, on the pathway to zero emissions by 2035."

"We are also proud to be hosting the BIG Weekend event as a chance for the community to get out there, connect, and improve health and wellbeing outcomes following years of restrictions with Covid lockdowns", said Mayor Gray.

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