



## ECOTOPIA 2019 STALL HOLDER INFORMATION

Ecotopia is on again!! On Sunday March 24th 2019 Yarra Valley ECROSS will be hosting another wonderful community festival in the beautiful Yarra Ranges (Yarra Junction Parklands). This year the theme is *Past, Present, Future!*

Yarra Valley ECROSS are passionate about our community and environmental protection. We produce Ecotopia as a Free festival every year for the community, with the intention of inspiring the community to come together and break any barriers that inhibit participation. We keep it affordable, inclusive for LGBTQI+, public transport accessible and as wheelchair accessible as possible. We want to inspire the community to showcase their new projects throughout the year and celebrate any achievements in regards to environmental sustainability. Please use this festival to showcase your group or businesses environmental platform. Please make sure your stall is inviting, inclusive and sustainable.

We welcome new participants and those who have been part of Ecotopia previously.

Please have a read of the information below and if you are interested in a space at the festival please fill in the application form which you can find at [www.ecoss.org.au](http://www.ecoss.org.au)

All enquiries will be attended to after the 28th of January when we return.

Stalls must be associated with the theme of sustainability in some way (in its broadest sense! Social, ecological, community etc.) If there is no demonstrable way in which stall holders or their products contribute to ecological or social sustainability, we reserve the right to refuse application. Alternatively, we encourage growth and change and are more than happy to assist groups new to the ideas of sustainability to transition to more sustainable practices should you be interested. All food and product packaging must be minimal and biodegradable. If you require any further information or recommendations about biodegradable packaging, go to:

[www.goinggreensolutions.com.au](http://www.goinggreensolutions.com.au)

All food vendors are required to use our Wash Against Waste cutlery and crockery. Please fill out the section in the application form regarding what your needs will be for Wash Against Waste on the day. All your dishes will be done by volunteers to food safety standards.

All stall sites will be 3m X 3m and you may book and pay for more than 1 if required.

All stall fees are to be paid PRIOR to the festival, you will receive an invoice upon your notification of successful application and your place will only be guaranteed upon receipt of payment.

2019 fees are as follows:

- \$30- craft, natural products, promotion of products
- \$120- food (increase by \$20 to cover Wash Against Waste)
- \$55- snacks, includes cakes etc..(increased by \$5 to cover Wash Against Waste)
- \$150- coffee
- \$15- community & environment group (NFP)
- \$60- Not for profit food fee - (increased by \$10 to cover Wash Against Waste)
- \$50- Double stalls.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

We will once again be offering / confirming stall positions in rounds. This is simply for the reason that it is great for us to be able to concentrate our work efforts rather than dealing with one application at a time. We hope that the system is clear and fruitful for everybody.

Round 1 bookings will be confirmed on 31<sup>st</sup> of Jan and must be paid for by February 14<sup>th</sup>.

Round 2 bookings will be confirmed on 21<sup>st</sup> Feb and must be paid for by March 7<sup>th</sup>.

Round 3 bookings will be confirmed on 7<sup>th</sup> March and must be paid for by March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Information regarding bump in and out times, site map and stall location, and responses to other questions will be released by the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

**Cancellation Policy: Any stall cancellations made after the 14<sup>th</sup> March will not be refunded.**

We look forward to your application and another great day!

Please direct emails and applications to [ecotopiastalls@ecoss.org.au](mailto:ecotopiastalls@ecoss.org.au) and we will endeavour to answer your enquiry as soon as possible.

- or call Leanne on 0438 252 519.

Please note Leanne is on holidays until late January 2019. Feel free to send in your application form in the meantime.

We look forward to Celebrating with you!!!

Yarra Valley ECOSS would like to acknowledge our Wurundjeri Elders and Community Past, Present and Emerging. We acknowledge the challenges faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, and wish to be part of a positive change for the future.

