

**Name** The Stray Dog

**Where** 383 Bay St, Port Melbourne  
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**Proprietor** Gillian Hardy

The old-world charm, timber bookcases reaching to the ceiling, rolling library ladders and top quality second hand



**Business message** books make a visit to The Stray Dog a unique experience. Browse, relax on the couch and enjoy a latte and homemade muffin at our communal table. The Stray Dog Booksellers captures the essence of an era long gone and infuses it with the comfort of today's café culture.

**Energy** The Stray Dog is an efficiently run business, however there are still some energy savings to be achieved:

Lighting

- Use quad phosphor tubes instead of the current tube fluorescents. Only half the number of tubes will be required given the quality of the light output from the quad phosphors.
- Change the standard 100 watt globes over to 20 watt compact fluorescent lamps.

Refrigeration

- Install a timer on the juice display fridge so it is off over night and on the weekends.

Coffee Machine

- Whilst it is fantastic that Gillian turns the machine off at night a further reduction in greenhouse gas emissions can be achieved by turning it off over the weekend. This equates to 1 car off the road per year!

**Rubbish and recycling** Gillian actively recycles cardboard, glass and plastic at The Stray Dog ensuring minimal waste impact from the business. To further these efforts a worm farm is a possibility to remove organic waste from the general waste stream.

The Stray Dog is also participating in the City of Port Phillip 'Mugogamy'

## Water

program helping Port Phillip staff to reduce the number of disposable cups going to landfill – this is a great help to Council’s efforts to improve waste management.

In order to maintain efficient water habits at the Stray Dog there are some handy hints to be mindful of:

- Regularly check for leaks
- Replace washers on dripping taps
- Install tap aerators to reduce water flow
- Always ensure the dishwasher is full before operating – this not only saves you water but energy as well.

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