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All members of the Friends of Warneet Environmental Group want a container deposit system brought in right across Australia, as soon as possible.

We all live in a small coastal village, with several public nature reserves and foreshore areas used by fishermen and day trippers. The quantity of abandoned glass and plastic bottles has become horrendous over the last few years, and is making our area unsightly and dangerous to people and the environment.

We are sick to death of cleaning up the rubbish left by uncaring people. As well as day to day collecting rubbish, we have made a big effort every single Clean Up Australia Day since its inception about 15 years ago. Last March we collected 30 bags just from the public areas of Warneet.

As our members see it, Australia needs a container deposit system with enough monetary reward to encourage thoughtful disposal. An added advantage is that community groups could collect containers as fund raisers.

It would be wonderful to see the new Rudd Government tackle this problem on a national basis.

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