

PRESS RELEASE

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LAUNCH OF THE GREENS, POLICIES, REALITIES AND CONSEQUENCES

IN SHEPPARTON.

At a time when the Greens are attracting unprecedented attention, it is clear that there has been an almost complete failure in the media to provide a systematic analysis of their policies and the dangers they represent. There is scant understanding of just what the Greens' policies would do if implemented, or indeed, what they actually stand for.

One reason surely is that most people who vote Green believe them to be friendly and benign "tree huggers" with only a straightforward and genuinely dedicated concern and love for the environment.

It was the perception of this scandalous failure of public analysis of the Greens' policies that motivated the publishing of *The Greens: Policies, Reality and Consequences*.

The Greens, published and released on 14 July, is timely. For the first time it provides a practical analysis of the numerous and wide ranging policies published on the Greens' own website. Distinguished experts in the relevant fields from around Australia were invited to assess the various policies in the context of Australia's present realities, their practicality, and to highlight any adverse, unintended consequences these policies might have for the nation and its people.

The policies are arranged into 21 chapters. *The Greens: Policies, Reality and Consequences* provides the reader with a practical and incisive guide to the real issues behind the feel good façade.

The Greens is not a jeremiad and it does not wish to trace the historical roots of Green politics, impugn the motivations of individual Greens, or question the motivations of their party. *The Greens* is an important reference for those who would like an informed, through an objective examination, of the consequences of the policies that are now more likely to be presented in parliament with the new Green control of the Senate.

The findings of these experts lead one to understand that the Greens have an uncontrollable urge to spend and tax, almost everywhere and for everything; a mania for control – through legislation and regulation of both institutions and individuals; a disturbing and unwarranted confidence in central planning and belief that government knows best; an antagonism to initiatives by the private sector or individuals; and at best, a systematic and naïve understanding, both historically and practically, of how the world works.

The book will be launched this Saturday at Tackle World, 209 Corio St, Shepparton at 11am. Copies of the book will be available in the store.

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