

THIS WEEK IN "LITTERLAND"

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The poster above uses humour to deal with the serious issue of cleaning up after one's dog. Halifax, Nova Scotia is making [an extra effort](#) to tell dog owners to pick-up as a protection against E.coli, other bacteria and parasites contaminating the beaches and water. The program is called [Canines for Clean Water](#).



This Council reaches out to all smokers, one butt at a time.

HEADLINE LITTER GRABBERS (AUG 11 - 18)

Some of what made our News Reel this week

Call in Karachi is for freedom from litter [\(8/13\)](#)

'Blue Jacket' is a government campaign for cleanliness in the Sindh district of India, launched on Independence Day August 1 in Karachi, Pakistan, population 15 million. Celebrities and volunteers will spread education about bin use to combat "open littering" there.

Tourists to blame for Cornwall's litter increase [\(8/14\)](#)

A 45 per cent rise in litter in scenic, seaside Cornwall is being pinned on tourists visiting the beaches. Volunteer hours given to remove litterbugs' trash in the past year: 48,066. Cost if the workers were paid: £376,000-a-year.

Ranchers report bags are killing cows, horses [\(8/14\)](#)

Horses and cows in Texas have died from plastic bag ingestion, farmers say. The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas produces a blunt, red-lettered bumper sticker: "Plastic bags KILL animals."

Swimming halted temporarily after fouling [\(8/14\)](#)

Authorities in Boracay [will be handing out](#) a pamphlet of do's and don'ts to tourists visiting the Filipino island paradise after a defecation incident circulated on social media. A woman was filmed burying a dirty diaper in the beach sand. Another washed the child's behind in the water. Now an educational push directed at foreigners at airports will emphasize no littering, urinating, defecating, spitting and dumping trash in public places.

ACT government tries instant payout machines [\(8/15\)](#)

Reverse vending machines linked directly to ATM machines that dispense instant cash and rewards for beverage container returns are being tried at 21 Phillip bulk depot store locations, in Canberra, AU.

[Prime Minister asks for change](#)

At a public event, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Prime Minister Dr Ralph Gonsalves asked people to stop littering. "Walk with a bag to put your garbage in. Otherwise what you will have in a short while is somewhere you will not be able to go and where visitors will not be able to go," he said while at a youth program launch at Chatoyer Recreational Park in Rabacca.

DID YOU KNOW?

Beach towels left on the sand can be a deadly barrier to sea turtle hatchlings searching for access to the ocean, also for egg-laying mother turtles seeking their return to the ocean. A loyal reader wrote to add this to *Litterland's* story last week about hotel towels littering a beach.