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The Jewish Ecological Coalition

JECO eNews for February 2015

Wednesday, February 4 is **Tu B'Shevat**, the new year for trees. Consider having a picnic at your local park under a tree. This poster is from the Posters Collection of the WZO Central Zionist Archives.



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Calendar

Tuesday, 10 February, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm, Magic of materials; playing a dominant role In Clean Energy Technologies – Industry, Academia & Research Institutions collaborating in India for the development of energy technologies, Room S12, Building 25, Monash University, Clayton

Read more at <http://monash.edu/news/events/show/magic-of-materials-playing-a-dominant-role-in-clean-energy-techn>.

Thursday, 19 February, 6:00 - 8:00 pm, Greening the Arts, Reflections

of a Greenie-In-Residence, Australian Centre for the Moving Image

Hear stories from a year of greening the arts, with the 2014 Greenie-in-Residence project participants. Read more and book at

<http://www.thatsmelbourne.com.au/Whatson/LearnandSee/LecturesandForums/Pages/d7f3f34a-973c-4aab-b3a8-08b78fe41e69.aspx>.

News**Climate Change and Sport in Australia**

The viability of many Australian sports is under threat from climate change and extreme weather events. Read more at <http://www.climateinstitute.org.au/sport-and-climate.html>.

First Biodegradable Wood Fibre Bottle to Be Developed in Denmark

Carlsberg, the Technical University of Denmark and ecoXpac plan to develop the world's first fully biodegradable wood-fibre beverage bottles. Read more at

<http://www.foodprocessing.com.au/news/71952-Biodegradable-wood-fibre-bottle-in-development>.

From Israel For Tu B'Shevat - The eTree

Is this the urban tree of the 21st century? Have a look at <http://solargiving.com/homepage/>.

What's happening in your shtetl**Glen Eira**

Keeping your home comfortable all year round - sustainable house case studies

Tuesday, 24 February, 7:00 pm, Boyd Room, Carnegie Library

More info at http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/Community/Environment_Sustainability/Sustainability_community_presentations

[/Keeping your home comfortable all year round](#)

Port Phillip

Basic Bike Maintenance for Women

Sunday, 8 February, 10:00 am - 12:00, Tuesday, 17 February, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, St Kilda

Library Community Room. More info at <http://www.enviroehub.com.au/articles/basic-bike-maintenance-women-bikeswork>

Stonnington

Declutter for Simpler Life

Wednesday, 25 February, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Functions on Chapel, 255A Chapel Street, Prahran

Book at <http://www.stonnington.vic.gov.au/explore-stonnington/sustainability/environmental-education-and-events/>

Bayside

Built Environment Award Winners

11 February - 12 March, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Bayside Corporate Centre 76 Royal Ave, Sandringham

The award raises community awareness of quality design and, heritage issues, and ecological sustainability in design within Bayside.

Boroondara

De-clutter and Reduce Waste

Wednesday, 11 February, 6:30 - 9:00 pm, Venue to be advised

More info at <http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/utilities/calendar/2015/2/11/declutter-and-reduce-waste>

Frankston

Cool Summer Homes - DIY Energy Saving Tips

Friday, 27 February, 10:00 - 11:30 am, Orwil St Community Centre, 16 Orwil St

More info at http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au/Things_To_Do/Events/Whats_On/Cool_Summer_Homes_DIY_Energy_Saving_Tips

Green Tip

Make a low tech air conditioner with a fan blowing air across a large container of ice.

You should do your own appraisal of products and services reported. JECO cannot take any responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided.

The JECO Committee welcomes input to and comments about JECO eNews.

JECO works to deepen the Jewish community's commitment to caring for the earth. We believe there is a religious as well as a moral obligation to protect the environment. To this end we work with Jewish, secular and multi-faith groups in supporting activities that promote sustainability.

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