



# JECO

The Jewish Ecological Coalition

## JECO eNews for November 2013

A well researched and written Q and A on global warming was sent to our vice-president and we would like to share it with you. The document was written by Steven Meyer who believes that global warming is a scientific issue and should be treated as such. Steven has a background in physics and is planning a website reporting on scientific matters as a semi-retirement project. Read Steven Meyer's [Global Warming Q and A](#).

You can now make an online tax deductible donation to JECO at <http://www.givenow.com.au/jeco>.

JECO is on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/JECO.AUS>.

### Calendar

**Wednesday, 06 November, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, BZE fundraising screening of "Two Degrees"**

Book tickets at <http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=66367>.

**Sunday, 10 November, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm, JECO Annual General Meeting at The Lamm Jewish Library**

Special guest speaker Eli Court of ClimateWorks Australia will speak on "Australia's Progress Towards a Low Carbon Economy".

JECO turns 10 this year. Help us celebrate. See [jeco.org.au](http://jeco.org.au).

**11th - 17th November, National Recycling Week**

Now in its 17th year National Recycling Week brings a focus on the importance of recycling. Find an [event](#).

**Sunday, 17 November, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, Mitzvah Day and the Bay**

Learn about Port Phillip Bay with the Port Phillip Baykeeper, Neil Blake and help conduct a Nurdle (is it an animal, vegetable or mineral?) /Litter Audit and Shoreline Shell Survey. This is a great activity for all ages and a wonderful opportunity to learn about the bay. More info

at [jeco.org.au](http://jeco.org.au).

**For your diary:** Sunday, December, Last chance this year to learn to ride your bike. Free Bike Riding Skills Course. More [info](#).

## News

### **Coming soon - plug your iPhone directly into a solar panel**

Apple has taken out a patent that allows Apple users to plug their devices directly into a solar panel without a convertor. Read more at <http://reneweconomy.com.au/2013/apple-plans-to-plug-iphones-directly-into-solar-panels-for-power-71097>

### **Do shark nets really work or do they do more harm to marine species?**

The risk of an encounter with a shark is low and shark nets kill other marine species such as turtles, dugongs, whales, dolphins, and rays. Read more at <http://www.abc.net.au/environment/articles/2013/10/29/3879318.htm>

### **Israeli pioneer of solar power - Harry Tabor**

In the early 1950s, Harry Tabor invented the Tabor Selective Surface to store the heat of the sun. Just about every Israeli household has a water heater using the Tabor Selective Surface. In 1974 Harry invented one of the first electric cars. Read more at <http://nocamels.com/2013/08/96-year-old-solar-energy-genius-harry-zvi-tabor-talks-to-nocamels-about-pioneering-solar-power/>

## What's happening in your shtetl

### **Glen Eira**

Community Environment Forum

Wednesday, 13 November, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Glen Eira Town Hall

See [http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/Community/Environment\\_sustainability/Community\\_Environment\\_Forum](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/Community/Environment_sustainability/Community_Environment_Forum)

### **Port Phillip**

Premiere of the short film "Baykeepers"

Monday, 04 November, 6:30 pm, Beachcomber Cafe, St Kilda

Watch the trailer <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cyV-n2wYVbk&feature=youtu.be>

### **Stonnington**

Spring Biodiversity Tour of Glen Iris Wetlands

Tuesday, 05 November 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, TH King Pavilion Carpark, High Street, Glen Iris (Eastern end of carpark)

To register <http://www.stonningtonbookingform.com.au/>

### **Bayside**

"Home Harvest - How to grow your own delicious fresh food"

Download pamphlet [http://bayside.vic.gov.au/Home\\_Harvest\\_Bayside\\_Web.pdf](http://bayside.vic.gov.au/Home_Harvest_Bayside_Web.pdf)

### **Boroondara**

Join a local environmental group.

<http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/environment/local-environment-groups/sustainability-groups>

### **Frankston**

Weekly excursions for children and their families to explore nature in their local area.

<http://www.naturedkids.com/index.html>

### **Green Tip**

Save bread bags to use as dog poo waste bags.

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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