Monty Matters

MARCH 2018

Next Food Swap,

1st April, from 10:30am to 11:30am

at Monty Primary School



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Araluen Power Generation

February Since Installation

Power generated 3.3 Mwh 23 Mwh CO2 avoided 1.2 tonne 9 tonne Savings \$650 \$5,300

What's on

- **Sun 18th Mar**—Shopping with a conscience (Pg 3)
- Sun 1st Apr—Food Swap
- 4th 5th May—Transition to a safe Climate— Transition Banyule—(pg 5)
- Sat 21st July—Bush Dance

Energy Saving Tip

Turn off your heating an hour before going to bed.

Most people understand the value of turning their heater down (or off) when they go to bed.

You can make a further 5% saving by turning it down an hour before you go to bed. You normally won't see any appreciable drop in the room temperature, but you will see it in your hills!

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#StopAdani in Qld

I have just returned from a trip to Qld to visit the Front Line Action on Coal camp site. This is where they direct there Non Violent Direct Action against the Adani Coal mine.

Things were a lot quieter than when I visited in December. Adani has stopped work for the wet season and Aurizon has confirmed they will not build the railway line. The only target left is the ADANI coal terminal at Abbott Point. However, this has become an expensive option! On Tuesday, 9 protesters were each fined \$8,000 for stopping the coal loaders. This is Australia's biggest fine imposed on an environmental protester.

Although things are quiet now, we expect work to start on the mine and the railway line once the weather improves and the Native Title issues have been resolved.

If you would like to contribute to support the action in Qld, there are 3 funds you can contribute to:

- General Running of the camp <u>www.frontlineaction.org/donate</u>
- Funding for legal Defences <u>www.frontlineaction.org/crowdfunder</u>
- Funding the fines www.chuffed.org/project/adani-protest-defence-fund

Alan Cuthbertson

(please note: This article represents the opinions of the author and are not necessarily those of the Montmorency Community Group)

Shopping with a Conscience



What: Shopping with a Conscience

Where Watsonia Library

When Sunday 18th March (tomorrow)

Cost \$15 (including food)

Ken Johnson has organised for an old friend from the group ethical.org.au to run one of his "Shopping with a Conscience" tours on Sunday 18th March, from 2pm - 4:30pm at the Watsonia Library (That's tomorrow!). You may know of the group as the ones who developed the Shop Ethical Guide.

The 2½ hour session includes a presentation on issues and principles around sustainable and ethical purchasing, a trip to the Watsonia IGA to buy some food based on what has been learnt, followed by a light meal and discussion.

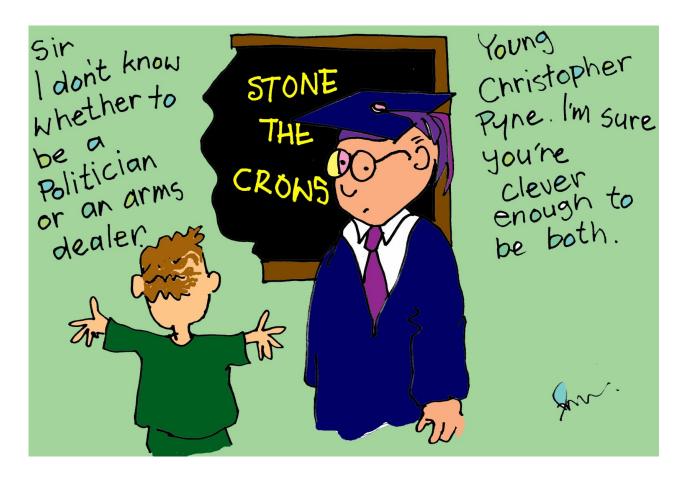
The cost is \$15 (including the cost of the food we purchase at the IGA) and places are limited so please contact Ken kennfj@gmail.com if you'd like to come or if you have any questions.

Ken Johnsom



Put it in your diary!

The annual Bush Dance is scheduled for Sat July 21, More information to follow....



Franciscus Henri's contribution

Transition to a Safe Climate: creating a new story for Banyule

conference * Fri 4 & Sat 5 May * Macleod College

Friday 4 May 7pm:

Ian Dunlop on

Think Global: a leading climate executive in the international oil, gas and coal industry will set the



Saturday 5 May 9am - 5.30pm:

Act Local: like to do something concrete with others to tackle climate change? A full day workshop to develop big ideas for community projects in Banyule.

Parents: we encourage you to attend - art program for school-age children and child care for under school age children – limited places, book early.



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