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a sustainable future



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# Lincoln Envirotown Trust Newsletter

## June 2010

### Launch of the new Springston Enviro-Community

About 30 people got together on a cold night on Friday to hear about sustainable gardening from the very entertaining guest speaker Prof Steve Wratten. This was followed by dividing up into groups to work on a sustainability action plan for the Springston area to make the community stronger with a more positive impact on the environment. Ideas for the plan included: planting natives, producing a native planting guide for Springston and providing information and sales of natives locally, planting community fruit trees, fruiting hedges, setting up a community garden, a youth group, a Time Banking scheme, a booklet of local information, a welcome pack for new residents, a notice board, a recycling bin outside the dairy, involve the primary school and other local groups, make a submission about water quality, a speed buffer/traffic calming device coming in to Springston, have a 70 km/h zones before the 50 km/h, have cycle ways and walkways.

A survey collecting ideas from the rest of the wider Springston community will be delivered soon and they are hoping that most people will respond. People who return their survey will be entered for a prize including a \$50 book voucher donated by local councillor Debra Hasson.

**The next meeting will be at 6 Claire Rd (off Rattletrack Road) on Monday 21st June at 7.30pm. Come along to work on the Springston Sustainability Action Plan. Everyone welcome**

For further information ring Debbie on 329 5757.



*Some of the groups working on sections of the action plan*

# Energy Homes Bus Tour

**\*\* We have so much interest that the next tour is already booked out, but if you want to register via our web site you will be placed on a waiting list, in case someone has to cancel, or for the next tour! If you have missed out on the tour you may still be able to come to Roger Buck's talk.**

**LINCOLN ENVIROTOWN** is running yet another tour of homes due to popular demand! This will enable you to learn from the experience of the owners, the benefits, advantages, pitfalls, costs and savings achieved by adding these factors into their home design and their living environment.

We will visit a variety of homes showing energy saving aspects such as older homes with retrofitted insulation , solar water heating, or homes designed to be energy efficient and homes generating their own electricity and or other efficient systems such as wind power, passive heat retention, double glazing, internal heating. These homes will mostly be different from those of previous tours.

The Energy Efficient home owners will showcase the features and discuss the success or otherwise with those who want to gain the knowledge – our bus tour guests will be on site at these homes anywhere from 15 -30 minutes to look around and have the opportunity to listen and talk to the home owners about any features of interest, in an informal casual setting... beats getting the “sales pitch” from the sales person. There will be a stop for afternoon tea, which will be included in the price. You will need to let us know of any special dietary requirements. **Roger Buck**, architect specialising in sustainable house design, will give a talk before the tour leaves. His talk will start at 12.00pm.

**Tour date: Sunday 27th June 2010** – leaving from Lincoln – a newsletter will be sent to confirm reservations - how to prepay for the seats reserved, start finish times and other relevant details

Seats are limited and \$10.00 per person. Please register via our web site, link on the front page [www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz](http://www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz)

## Check out our Web site!

[www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz](http://www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz)

Here you can check out back issues of our newsletters, find sustainability links and much more. **Please let us know what information you would like.**

**NEW! WE NOW HAVE A FORUM WHERE YOU CAN POST YOUR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS AND GET FEEDBACK FROM OTHERS – TRY IT OUT! (Can be accessed from the home page)**



### Kids - need something to do in the July Holidays?

Come to the Lincoln Envirotown Enviro kids club KidsFest Event - **Sustainable Country Fun**

Practical Activities for 3-12 year olds. 15<sup>th</sup> July 10.30 – 11.10am Lincoln Community Centre Kids, please bring your parent/caregiver. Ring Sue for more info on 329 5858. A gold coin donation to help with the materials.

## Responsible Business Awards

Our Responsible Business Award assessments are about to start. The award scheme is a free service which promotes and rewards businesses for their environmentally sustainable practices, as well as encouraging people to shop locally. We also provide help and feedback for businesses. This year Leeston has joined Lincoln and Prebbleton in having their own awards. This year, for the first time, there will be a dedicated area on the LET web site promoting the top award winners.

There will be an information meeting for businesses and the public in the meeting room of the Leeston library, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 5.30 pm. Leeston businesses can register for the scheme at the meeting.

There will be an assessor for each community:

**Lincoln: Rose Spijkerman**, Phone: 3296 446, Email: [rose@lincolnenvironment.org.nz](mailto:rose@lincolnenvironment.org.nz)

**Prebbleton: Chris Macann**, Phone: 349 9660 or 021 878 001, Email: [chrismacann@gmail.com](mailto:chrismacann@gmail.com)

**Leeston: Margaret Russell**, Phone: 324 3949, Email: [russell.mh@gmail.com](mailto:russell.mh@gmail.com)

If you have a business in another area of Selwyn, and you would like to be involved, contact Sue on 329 5858



*The Lincoln trophy was presented by (from left) David Schwartfeger (Development Manager, Ngai Tahu Property) and John Clark (financial director, Lincoln University) to Gordon Burrow site manager of Landcare research*



*Councillor Malcolm Lyall and Nicola Willett (chair of Prebbleton Enviro-village) presenting a gold Responsible Business Award to Alan Knowles of Condensation Control Ltd (on the left of picture).*

## Job opportunities

We are looking for:

1. A **coordinator** for the Lincoln Zerowaste Street Challenge, to be held 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – 7<sup>th</sup> November. This will be a short term paid contract position and the coordinator will work with the LET Zerowaste sub-committee.
2. Are you interested in helping to coordinate the kids club this year? We may be able to make a small payment for your time. Please contact Sue for more information on 329 5858.

For further information on any of these positions please ring Sue on 329 5858

SHOP SMART  
SHOP LOCAL  
**Lincoln Farmers & Craft Market**

*~Come and take a Fresh Look~*

MARKET WINTER TIMES:  
First Saturday of each month  
WITH SPECIAL EVENTS...

July 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mid Winter Festival  
Aug 7<sup>th</sup> - Second hand Book Sale/Swop  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> - Kids Market  
Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> - Spring Festival

INSIDE the Lincoln Community Hall  
10am – 1pm

NEW STALLS including ...

Merino Lamb, Winter Organic Vegetables. Baking,  
Gourmet fudge/toffee/nuts & preserves,  
Children clothing, Handmade Soaps,  
Jellies & Preserves, Soy Candles *with demos.*

PLUS all the regular stalls

***Support & Join In with the Lincoln Community Spirit***

Contact: Debbie on 0274785005 /3295757 for more details

[www.selwynfarmersmarket.co.nz](http://www.selwynfarmersmarket.co.nz)



Due to ridiculously wet and cold weather, the MAHOE RESERVE PLANTING DAY is POSTPONED AGAIN UNTIL SUNDAY JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup> STARTING 10.00AM, FREE Barbecue at 1.00pm. PLEASE COME!

**Bring your own drinks, tools such as spades and protective gloves.**

RING DENIS 325 2806 or SUE on 329 5858 for more info OR if you can help plant at other times – we have hundreds of plants that desperately need planting!

## Friends of Mahoe

If you want to be on the email contact list for Mahoe planting days and working bees, let us know. If you have any spare time during the week, we still need lots of people to help with the maintenance.

We hold regular working bees on the **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 2.00pm**. Please join us. Bring your own tools such as spades and protective gloves. For more information ring **Denis** on 325 2806. The Mahoe Reserve is a native restoration project in Boundary Road next to the Lincoln Golf Course. If you can help at another time, just let us know. The new access way will be planted with natives in the autumn.

## Mahoe Reserve Committee

You are also welcome to join the Mahoe management committee. Only a few meetings a year! Contact Sue on 329 5858 or [sue.jarvis\(at\)orcon.net.nz](mailto:sue.jarvis(at)orcon.net.nz) for information.

## The Lincoln Community Garden



### James Street in the Maternity Hospital Grounds



Our community gardens is going to take a walkabout – not very far, just to the back of the maternity hospital to make way for a school dental clinic . This is likely to happen in the next month or two. We are very lucky that the CDHB is willing to fund this move.

Paul was given a morning tea to say “Thank you” for all he has done for us. The kindergarten kids made him a large card! We also welcomed Danny Fairley (on the right of the picture) who will be our new garden coordinator. Danny will start when we have a moving date for the gardens.

**Friends of the Lincoln Gardens:** The people who have been involved with the gardens, including the group who have had beds, have formed the Friends of the Gardens. This group will help organise the running of the gardens. We also are grateful to Terry Windle and Bill McClure who are acting as mentors and passing on their extensive gardening knowledge. If anyone would like to join this group whether as a learner, helper or mentor, please let us know. Ring Sue on 329 58558 or email [LincolnCommunityGarden@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnCommunityGarden@gmail.com)

## You don't live in Lincoln but would like to make a difference? There are Sustainability Groups in other communities:

### ROLLESTON ENVIROTOWN (RET)

"A better environment starts with you"

Their latest project is the development of their community garden, contact Nicole if you would like to help.

RET meetings are held once a month at the Community House in Rolleston, 45 Shelley Street  
They would welcome more residents to their group. Interested in joining? Email [Nicole tonicermu@gmail.com](mailto:Nicole.tonicermu@gmail.com) or phone Catherine 347 8240

The Rolleston Enviro Town Produce market is held once a month.

### SPRINGSTON Enviro-Community Do you live in the Springston Area?



**The next meeting will be at 6 Claire Rd (off Rattletrack Road) on Monday 21st June at 7.30pm. Come along to work on the Springston Sustainability Action Plan. Everyone welcome**

**For further information ring Debbie on 329 5757.**

**The Springston Enviro-Community** is a newly formed group of local people planning to help Springston have a sustainable future. Following in the footsteps of Lincoln Envirotown, they aim to enhance a sense of community and create an environmentally friendly village (this includes the surrounding rural area).

They already have a web site. [www.springstonenvirocommunity.webs.com](http://www.springstonenvirocommunity.webs.com) Have a look and suggest to web manager, Tom, what you would like on it. They have also started an on-line community to make it easier for members of the community to link with each other, such as sharing surplus fruit, asking for help etc. <http://selwyncom.onlinegroups.net>

### LEESTON ENVIRO TOWN

Leeston is getting behind their **Responsible Business Awards**. The Leeston Business Association is promoting the idea and holding a public meeting where Sue will explain the details. The information meeting for businesses and the public will be in the meeting room of the Leeston library, June 23, 5.30 pm. Leeston businesses can register for the scheme at the meeting.

The Leeston assessor is Margaret **Russell**, Phone: 324 3949, Email: [russell.mh@gmail.com](mailto:russell.mh@gmail.com)

Leeston's coordinator is Sara Russell and she welcomes your involvement and ideas. Contact her on 03 324 3949 or 027 291 4925 or email [russellsaraj@gmail.com](mailto:russellsaraj@gmail.com)



## PREBBLETON ENVIRO-VILLAGE

Prebbleton are about to start on their second year of awards with so many businesses getting a gold award last year that we now have a platinum award for Prebbleton businesses to aspire to. We are hoping that someone will sponsor a trophy for Prebbleton, as there is for Lincoln.

### Contact Details

If you would like to find out more about Prebbleton Enviro-Village please call Nicola Willett on 3497990 or email [n.willett@xtra.co.nz](mailto:n.willett@xtra.co.nz)

## LITTLE RIVER

To contact the Little River group ring Kaite Hansen on 325 1917 or [believe33@snap.net.nz](mailto:believe33@snap.net.nz)

## WEST MELTON

Sue will probably be speaking to the West Melton Residents Association Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> August.

## TAI TAPU

If you live in **Tai Tapu** we are hoping to arrange an initial meeting soon. If you are interested contact **Sue on 329 5858**

*The Lincoln Envirotown Trust is providing support to these communities as they get underway with their sustainability plans.*

**If you live in another community and would like help to get a group started, contact Sue.**

**We also help other communities outside the Selwyn area.**

We have set up “on line communities” for all the “Enviro” groups linked to LET, under the umbrella of “Selwyn groups” <http://selwyncom.onlinegroups.net> . **Have a look!** The idea is to allow a small community or a street etc to easily contact each other – perhaps to say “we have extra pears, who would like some” etc. John Veitch has been our “coach” – Thank you, John

**A speaker programme** is part of our aim to be a role model for other communities and provide help and support for them to progress towards sustainability. If you would like a speaker for your group or community contact Sue on 329 5858.

**The Transition Initiatives Forums** are held every 2 months in the St Albans’s Community Center at 12.30 pm. The last one was held Tuesday 15 June with a number of groups and individuals sharing information on sustainability. Among many other things we heard about the Pegasus exchange - a “green dollar” system. If you are interested in sharing ideas with others with sustainability at heart then come along. Contact Sue or Christoph Hensch [christoph@stalbans.gen.nz](mailto:christoph@stalbans.gen.nz) for more details or to be put on the contact list for meetings. Also look at: <http://www.transitiontowns.org.nz/>

## Lincoln Envirotown Trust Meetings – get involved, meet like-minded people

LET meetings are normally held the **FIRST MONDAY** of each month at 7:30pm in the Lincoln Community Centre on Gerald Street. **For more information please contact Sue Jarvis, 329-5858 or [sue.jarvis\(at\)orcon.net.nz](mailto:sue.jarvis(at)orcon.net.nz).**

**NEXT** meeting is Monday **5 July** and we will have speakers from SpringFresh Water, based in Tai Tapu explaining how they can run a Carbon negative, sustainable business and how they are working with local communities. At the following meeting on **2 August** Julie Lee (Jules), the Lyttelton Time Bank Co-ordinator will tell us about time banking and how it strengthens communities.

## Get Involved!

We have a number of sub-committees and interest groups – let us know if you would like to join groups interested in energy generation, water conservation, native biodiversity, children's environmental education, reducing light pollution (starlight project) and many other groups – you could start one! Our energy generation group is collecting information about the feasibility of wind and solar generation, which will eventually be available on our web site.

### Writing Competition

Write an illustrated Poem on an environmental/sustainability theme.

Don't miss the deadline- entries are already coming in!  
Details at end of this newsletter.



### Home Energy Advice Centre - Canterbury

**What is the Home Energy Advice Centre?** The Home Energy Advice Centre (HEAC) is a free, not for profit, impartial telephone service which helps people to make their homes warmer, healthier and more energy efficient.

#### Good Web Links:

##### Carbon Calculator

It's not a personal carbon calculator, it's a national one for the UK, but it's interactive. You pretend you're the government, change policy in various areas, and see if you can get the needed carbon reduction to happen.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/interactive/2010/apr/21/national-carbon-calculator>

##### Test this climate simulator

Play the role of a world leader and use this tool to see how different emission levels affect global temperature. <http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/interactive/2009/dec/14/climate-simulator>

In collaboration with the green-living site Ecobob.co.nz, brings you Greenlist.co.nz – the world's first online directory of green products and services where listings are compared against basic principles of sustainability. Sponsors NZI and EECA are thrilled to be behind a website that aligns with its own sustainability efforts. Suppliers provide special offers when they list their products or services. They then rate themselves against six principles of sustainability: CYCLIC, SOLAR, MEGA-EFFICIENT, SAFE, SOCIAL, CERTIFIED. Check out this comprehensive website on: [www.greenlist.co.nz](http://www.greenlist.co.nz)

**Living Streets Aotearoa** This is the national organisation promoting walking-friendly communities. You can find out more about them at [www.livingstreets.org.nz](http://www.livingstreets.org.nz). The NZ Walking

conference will be in Wellington on 2/3 August, with more information on the Living Streets website this month. The Golden Foot Walking Awards will be presented to winners during the conference. More information about how to nominate for an award will be available from the website.

[http://www.cswd.net/hazardous\\_waste/recipe\\_book.shtml](http://www.cswd.net/hazardous_waste/recipe_book.shtml)

On-line recipe book for Non-Toxic Household Cleaners  
Recipes for a Safer Home and a Cleaner Environment.

<http://www.goodplanet.org/en/> (if you want to brush up your French watch the Francais version by clicking flag button top right corner))

<http://www.youtube.com/homeproject> We are living in exceptional times. Scientists tell us that we have 10 years to change the way we live, avert the depletion of natural resources and the catastrophic evolution of the Earth's climate. Watch the free video.

### **Cutting our carbon by 10% in 2010**

Ten-Ten is an ambitious project to unite every country around the world behind one simple idea: that by working together we can achieve a 10% cut in carbon emissions - without waiting for politicians to agree.

It was launched in NZ through the website [www.1010global.org/nz](http://www.1010global.org/nz) The target is a 10% reduction of carbon emissions by participants over twelve months, starting as soon as they can during 2010. Founded in the UK by a team including New Zealand independent film producer Lizzie Gillett, Ten-Ten is a people's movement, now going global, that embraces households, schools, companies, local government and MPs. You can make a pledge to begin your action at the ten-tenNZ website, also accessible through: [www.1010global.org/nz](http://www.1010global.org/nz) or by emailing to: [nz@1010global.org](mailto:nz@1010global.org) .

A group of locals is coordinating the Ten-Ten campaign in Christchurch in collaboration with 350.org supporters.

An interesting-looking two-part film documentary was found on the UK Guardian's Environment website. Some interesting 'DIY' (and going beyond the traditional meaning of DIY) concepts you may not have heard about, like: ground source water heating systems, the hexa-yurt (a refugee shelter system/family support unit), GNU General Public License (free software), the Totnes Pound, etc. Here's the link to part one:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/video/2010/may/11/ethical-living-diy-big-society>

And here's the link for Part 2:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/video/2010/may/12/ethical-living-real-bigsociety-two>

Here are some more climate related web sites:

<http://www.slideshare.net/Annah/ecological-footprint>

<http://www.energysavingsecrets.co.uk/bedzed-the-uks-biggest-eco-community.html>

<http://www.zedfactory.com/>

A reusing waste project for preschoolers – also sells DVD

<http://oursdvd.co.nz/zero-waste-throne-project.html>

These links have been sent by From Frauke John:

<http://www.UrbanHomestead.org>

<http://www.FreedomGardens.org>

<http://www.FreedomSeeds.org>

<http://www.PeddlersWagon.com>

<http://www.HomegrownRevolutionFilm.com>

<http://www.DerVaesGardens.com>

<http://www.JulesDervaes.com>

Want to know about the business and groups in your area? Try this:

[http://www.selwyndistrict.co.nz/custom\\_extras/SelwynDC/SelwynDir/index.asp](http://www.selwyndistrict.co.nz/custom_extras/SelwynDC/SelwynDir/index.asp)

### **Do you want to make your own power from the sun? Want a cheap deal?**

WhatPowerCrisis normally supply a basic installing for \$9,995 + GST Installed. They are prepared to do this cheaper if 5 people from the Lincoln area have one installed at the same time. Contact Sue on 3295858 if you are interested.

#### **Includes**

SMA Sunnyboy 1100E Grid Tie Inverter AS/NZ4777 approved  
6 x WPC 180w PV modules 1.08 kW peak  
Est 1717 kWh Annually in Auckland  
Includes installation on Tin Roof

#### **Special Offer**

Free Sunny Beam Display or  
Free additional 180W Module

Normally \$9,995 + GST Installed

[www.whatpowercrisis.co.nz](http://www.whatpowercrisis.co.nz)

**Earthwise radio programs**, produced by Martin & Lois Griffiths, are available via podcast if you have broadband. Each program features an interview. Programs available include interviews with Robert Fisk and John Pilger. The website is <http://www.plainsfm.org.nz>

### **Competitions:**

#### **International Year of Biodiversity**

A national biodiversity photo competition was launched, Saturday 22 May, (International Day of Biodiversity) to celebrate the International Year of Biodiversity (2010). It is being sponsored by UNESCO, NIWA, Department of Conservation and Forest & Bird.

[www.doc.govt.nz/biodiversitycaptured](http://www.doc.govt.nz/biodiversitycaptured)

## Information update

### *Selwyn-Waihora Water Management Zone Committee*

#### **An opportunity to get involved in a paradigm shift**

People with an interest in water management in the Selwyn district are invited to apply for the Selwyn-Waihora Water Management Zone Committee.

The Selwyn-Waihora Water Management Zone Committee needs capable, committed people who have the ability to work collaboratively and with the community to develop creative solutions to water management issues.

It will be formed in September as a joint committee of Selwyn District Council and Environment Canterbury. The zone aligns with district boundaries except in the northeast where it includes the West Melton groundwater zone, part of the adjacent Christchurch-West Melton zone, and in the east where it includes the Kaituna catchment which drains into Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere. To the south there is a shared responsibility – with the Ashburton Zone Committee – for the Rakaia River catchment.

The Selwyn-Waihora Zone Committee will develop a zone implementation programme – including strategies, tactics, and activities – to give effect to the Canterbury Water Management Strategy's principles and targets.

This zone committee and the others being formed around Canterbury will be the engine room of the Canterbury Water Management Strategy as well as the conduit for community engagement and discussion. Note that applications close on **16 July 2010** and more information is available on the websites shown below.

#### **Public meetings for potential applicants (all meetings start at 7.30pm)**

<b>Leeston</b>	Tuesday 22 June, Leeston Rugby Clubrooms, High St.
<b>Lincoln</b>	Wednesday 23 June, St Stephens Church, Edwards St.
<b>Rakaia</b>	Tuesday 29 June, Memorial Hall, 55 Elizabeth Ave.
<b>Darfield</b>	Tuesday 6 July, Darfield Recreation and Community Centre, North Terrace.

The Canterbury Water Management Strategy marks a paradigm shift in water management.

It provides for integrated management of the cumulative effects of water abstraction and land-use intensification, allows for water allocation decisions addressing environmentally sustainable limits, as well as actions to protect and restore freshwater ecosystems and biodiversity, amenity values and natural character.

The vision and fundamental principles of the Strategy are embodied in the new Environment Canterbury Temporary Commissioners Act, giving status in legislation.

The Strategy – published as a Framework Document in November 2009 – has been developed over the past six years through extensive public stakeholder consultation, a process led by the Canterbury Mayoral Forum and overseen by a Steering Group made up of representatives including Ngai Tahu, irrigation interests, recreational groups, and environmental advocates.

The Strategy includes short, medium and long-term targets for: ecosystem health and biodiversity (including water quality); drinking water; water-use efficiency; irrigated land area; recreational and amenity opportunities; braided rivers; kaitiakitanga; as well as regional and national economic issues.

For more information: [www.canterburywater.org.nz](http://www.canterburywater.org.nz) [www.Selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.Selwyn.govt.nz)

## Energy savings - for home & car



**Free session.** Independent information.  
Not a platform for salespeople.

Want a warm, dry home? To stay mobile? *And* keep a healthy planet for the future? Bring your questions... and a friend.

• Rolleston,  
Monday 5 July  
(7pm Community Centre lounge)



- Also sessions at: Ashburton Tues. 6 July; Rangiora Mon. 19 July; Christchurch, Sat. 24 July

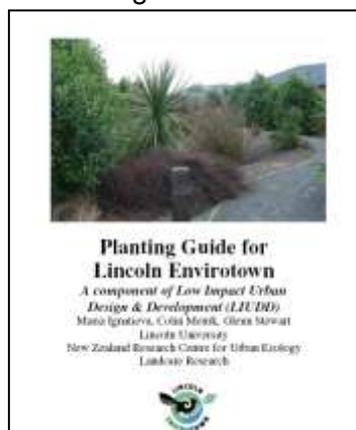
Useful publications available from EECA, ECan, Home Energy Advice Centre, Dept of Building, etc.

Presentation by Sustainable Living Education Trust  
(a charitable body, backed by local government:  
[www.sustainableliving.org.nz](http://www.sustainableliving.org.nz) Phone 03 960 2656)

**\*\*Just turn up, there's no need to book\*\***

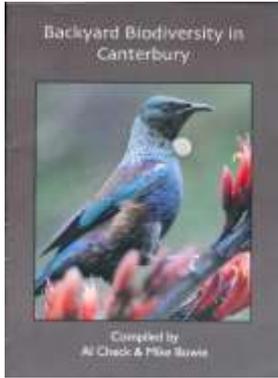
## Lincoln Area Native Planting Guide

Ever wondered which native New Zealand plants might add that special something to your landscaping? A Lincoln planting guide written for LET with help from Landcare Research and Lincoln University will help with basic background information and planting suggestions.



This guide will help you decide which native plants are suitable for your garden. It gives ideas for shrubberies, hedges, pergolas, herbaceous borders, native lawns, rock gardens and rain gardens. Ecosourced natives are much more likely to survive in our local conditions, without as much care and watering as non-natives. Be part of the Greenway Canterbury movement aiming to spread corridors of natives from the mountains to the sea so that our threatened native plants and animals have somewhere to live and can move from one habitat to the next. This guide is available from the Lincoln Library and Lincoln CRT Real Estate for \$2.00. It is also available as a downloadable file from our web site:

[www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz](http://www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz)



**Backyard Biodiversity in Canterbury**  
This booklet is available **FREE** from the Lincoln Library and other Selwyn libraries on request. It is also downloadable as a pdf from the LET web site from the resources page.

## **Fed up with all that junk mail but still want to receive the local papers?**

Collect one of our mail box stickers from the Lincoln Library for a gold coin, or contact us



## **Borrow the LET Cent-a-meter**

The LET Cent-a-meter is a tool that assists homeowners with information about their own energy use. The Cent-a-meter is available from LET for at least \$5 dollars donation and a \$100 refundable deposit. **If interested, contact Sue Jarvis at 329-5858.**

### **Submissions:**

LET frequently makes submissions to Government, ECan and the SDC as well as to other organisations. If you are interested in helping with submissions or have an issue you think that LET might be interested in making a submission on, please contact Sue on 329 5858



## Lincoln Envirotown 2010 Writing Competition

### Write an illustrated Poem on an environmental/sustainability theme

The poem can be long or short, rhyme or not, or could be a haiku poem (Haiku poems often consist three lines of 5, 7 and 5 syllables, but can vary.) Here are some examples of environmental poems written by children and the famous poem by Wordsworth:

#### **Pollution**

By Tommy ~ 9 years old

Pollution in the air  
Pollution everywhere  
We can stop it anywhere

#### **"Daffodils"** (1804)

By William Wordsworth (first verse)

I wander'd lonely as a cloud,  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

#### **Clean it Up**

By Allie ~ 9 years old

Clean up the earth,  
so it could be a sparkling clean place for us all !  
Clean up the earth,  
so we can see the gorgeous blue and green on our planet.  
The blue and green will shine in our eyes if we clean it up.  
So clean it up,  
so that we don't see any garbage ~  
any time or any day.  
Clean it up  
and live in a world of happiness.  
The world we live in can be cleaned up and we can be happy

Please illustrate your poem and use **A4 paper only**. The deadline will be **Friday 23rd July**. This topic was suggested by the children involved in the 2009 competition.

**There will be prizes for each age group:** 6 and under, 7-10, 11-14, 15-18

We hope to make the best poems into a book to be available locally, as we did with the previous Lincoln stories. The National Library has asked for a copy of our other books – so your poems might be there too!

**Please attach an entry form to your entry** (see below). You can enter more than **1** poem.



## Entry form for the 2010 poetry writing competition

(please attach these details to your poem and picture)

Name:

*(please print)*

Phone number:

Age:

Title of your poem:

Did you have help with the writing of your poem or the drawing in your entry? Yes/No

If yes:

My helper was:

They helped with:

**Deadline!** Your story needs to be with us by the **23rd<sup>h</sup> July 2010**. It can be dropped in to the Lincoln Library, brought to the Lincoln Community Centre during the Kidsfest Holiday Programme 'sustainable country fun', run by the Lincoln Envirotown Trust on the 15th July (10.30am – 11.00am) or it can be mailed to: **Sue Jarvis, 694 Gould's Road, RD4 Christchurch 7674**.