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Editor says: check out this site dedicated to reducing excessive packaging: <http://www.poop.org.nz/>
And this one all about living roofs: <http://www.livingroofs.org.nz/page/5-Home>

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A Special Notice:

To the person who banked cheque into our account
Cheque no "2126" with their membership fee - **get in touch with us please!!**
We do not know who you are, and cannot match your cheque number up with your membership.
AND everyone : the two acceptable ways to pay us are:
- a direct credit bank deposit with a reference (- see below)
OR - a cheque sent to us with the complete Membership Form.

We always welcome **new members!** Just \$55 per year!

Plus \$5 discount (\$50 total) if paid by **internet** banking:

Internet Banking: Kiwibank account # 38-9007-0611251-00

Please include reference - your full name/ mailing address
(so we can verify payment to our Membership Secretary)

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SHAC Challenge 2011

We are proud to announce : we are accepting entries to the **Sustainable Habitat Challenge** for 2011!
We hope to see some entries from natural and earth builders. In October of this year local polytechnics will be hosting presentations by local SHAC teams. I would like to see some presentations made by natural and earth builders at polytechnics - in order to bring some of those ideas into education.

Email me and I will send you more information
Go to the Registration page, click [here](#)
Or Check out www.shac.org.nz

Thank you kindly,
Tim Bishop: tim@shac.org.nz
021 705 346



ECO Conference 2010

Friday, July 02, 2010 - Sunday, July 04, 2010, Christchurch

ECO Conference 2010 - Environment, Conservation & Economy: Foundations for the Future

New Zealand is facing some huge environmental challenges and some new ways-forward must be found to protect the country's environmental quality. The ECO Conference is a great way that people who care about the environment and conservation can gather to learn from each other, gain new skills and become energised and inspired.

Join us at Living Springs Conference Centre in Lyttelton, Christchurch, from Friday 2 to Sunday 4 July 2010.

Programme and registration available at www.eco.org.nz or call 04 385 7545.



7th International Conference of the European Industrial Hemp Association (EIHA)

Tuesday, July 06, 2010

As a partner of the International Conference of the European Industrial Hemp Association (EIHA) (wMay, 26th-27th 2010, Wesseling near Cologne, Germany, www.eiha.org/conf7) we would like to inform you about the largest meeting of experts on industrial hemp in Europe and indeed world - wide. Specialists from all over the world will meet in order to exchange information regarding the latest developments in hemp and in other natural fibres and moreover on the applications for fibres, shivs, seeds and oil.

Participants will range from cultivation consultants, primary and further processors, traders, scientists and engineers, and investors to numerous small and medium-sized enterprises and to international automotive companies and suppliers. The conference language will be English. We expect 150 international participants.

Register now at: www.eiha.org/conf7

World renowned experts confirmed



"Go Green Expo" Organic & Sustainability Expo

Sunday, July 11, 2010 - Monday, July 12, 2010

Organic & Sustainability Expo

The Expo will now be held in Spring 2010 in Auckland, Wellington & Christchurch
Register your interest here

Welcome to the Annual Organic & Sustainability Expo called the Go Green Expo.

The mecca of 'Organic and Sustainable living'!

Come and discover a whole new range of exciting products and services that will delight your senses and tantalise your taste buds, look for home improvements and buy gifts!

Click here >> <http://www.gogreenexpo.co.nz/>

EVERYDAY SCIENCE

food for thought!



NZ International Science Festival 6-11 July 2010

Tuesday, July 06, 2010

World renowned experts confirmed

Two world renowned experts have been confirmed for the 2010 New Zealand International Science Festival. Everyday Science; food for thought is the theme for the festival, taking place this year in Dunedin from 6-11 July. In keeping with the theme, the visiting experts have expertise associated with environmental issues and health. Visit www.scifest.org.nz



BBE Design Your Own Ecohome Workshop

July 16 - 17, 2010, Hawkes Bay

Led by Architect and BBE Director Alex Greig and / or BBE H.B Designer Steve Jaycock;

Book now numbers limited.

you will learn about what is involved in designing an Eco Home and the process involved in building one.

Design Project with Site Visit	\$725
Design Project without Site Visit	\$545
Information Only (couple/single)	\$265

Workshop Content

- Introduction
- Site Planning and Permaculture
- Passive and Active Solar Energy Design
- Materials, Straw bale, Earth and more
- Electrical reticulating and Electrobiology
- Plumbing for rain water harvesting and compost toilets
- Completion session for presentation and discussion of projects.

email: steve@ecoprojects.co.nz

More info, Enrollment forms, etc: <http://groups.google.co.nz/group/bbe-ecodesign-workshops>



Ecoexpo New Zealand

July 24 - 25, 2010, Christchurch

Ecoexpo New Zealand is an opportunity to learn about realistic and achievable changes you can make to your everyday life. There will be a broad range of exhibitors featuring a range of environmentally friendly products and services that are available to you.

Visit our cool website: <http://www.ecoexpo.co.nz> Look at all the exhibitors: <http://www.ecoexpo.co.nz/extr.html> Learn about new ideas, products, and services for where you live, work, and play. Eco building and heating solutions, fashion and accessories, nappies, hybrid cars, and much more...



Earthbuilding Workshop

10 – 12 September 2010, Nelson

When...

Friday 10th, Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th September 2010
9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Where...

SolidEarth Adobe Brickyard, Wakapuaka, Nelson North

Costs...

\$ 270.00 for the three days. This includes materials and theoretical information.
Hot drinks and a warm lunch will be provided. Please bring your own snacks.

We restrict places to twelve participants in order to do some serious hands-on work in small groups and enable you to get one-to-one tuition.

You will be either working on one project of your choice or rotate to experience the many possibilities of the building material earth.

Topics covered...

- ♣ Making and laying Adobe Bricks
- ♣ Building walls and furniture from cob, light-earth, wattle-and-daub (traditional techniques)
- ♣ Sculpting an outdoor pizza oven
- ♣ Experimentation with earthen plasters, natural paints and sealants
- ♣ Earthbuilding theory and professional techniques
- ♣ Visit of a commercial Adobe Brickyard and view realized projects relating to the above topics

With "hands-on" we also mean "feet-on".

Preparation of the earth mixes involves a bit of mud-dancing. You are bound to get quite dirty, so please dress appropriately and bring some gumboots.

Enrolment...

Please book as soon as possible – preferably by the 1st September 2010 – as spaces are limited.

Fill in and send the form below to: SolidEarth Adobe Buildings, Main Rd, Wakapuaka, RD1 Nelson

Please enclose the workshop fee in full in order to secure your space. Make cheques payable to SolidEarth Adobe Buildings Ltd or pay directly onto our bank account No. 38-9003-0705891-00.

We do not refund the fee in case you are not attending the workshop. However we will return the full amount in case of cancellation due to too few enrolments.

For more information and enrolment please contact Verena on

(03) 545 0240 or 021 036 3938 or send us an e-mail: contact@solidearth.co.nz



Bill Mollison, David Holmgren and Steve Cran)

Australian Permaculture Convergence 2010

Kuranda, September 24-27, 2010, Australia

In three decades the movement has now grown into an international network with thousands of system designers on every continent on the planet. Permaculture has been described as one of Australia's most significant "intellectual exports" (Holmgren, 2009).

Register www.apc10.org/node/10

"First Tuesday" Sustainability Speakers Series 2010

To be held at: CCS DISABILITY ACTION
14 Epsom Ave, Royal Oak, Auckland 7-9pm.

\$5-00 Koha at Door

Ongoing course as per below:

6 July

Jennifer Kerr
Sustainable Living on a Budget

3 August

John Darroch
Transforming the Suburbs—Young Voices Moving Us Forward into Sustainability

7 September

Lynda Hallinan
Living off of the Produce (and the Proceeds) of My Own Garden

5 October

Finn Mackesy
Urban Permaculture: Modern Solutions for Sustaining Auckland

For more info contact: Scott Theimann
Tel: (09) 625 9811 Mob: 027 622 9811

Towards Renewable Energy

Saturday 4th September 10 - 4, Kaiwaka

Tutors: Sabine Drueckler and Wolfgang Hiepe

Cost: \$90

Design your life to use more renewable energy, and get away with using less. This workshop will explore the philosophical and ecological ideas which make us change the way we live. Looks at how much electricity you really need. How can you reduce your consumption? Explore what is available in the alternative energy sector, see what Sabine and Wolf have done, and make plans for what you can do at your place.

info@koanga.co.nz

or phone us at the shop: 09 4312732.

We ask for a deposit of 50% of the cost of the workshop when you make your booking.

Payment can be by cheque or internet banking.

[bookings click here](#)



ECOFEST - Nelson

Saturday, August 21, 2010 - Sunday, August 22, 2010

It's the tenth birthday of this fantastic annual event!

Over 120 exhibitors of environmentally-friendly products, services & innovations. Everything from sustainable transport to alternative energy, eco design, household products, kids' trail and organics.

All this supported by free seminars, organic cooking demonstrations, heaps of hands-on workshops and interactive opportunities to learn about everything sustainable! <http://www.ecofestnelsontasman.co.nz/>

Spotlight



The Green List

Wow. This is brought to you by the good people at the Sustainable Business Network & Ecobob. Check it out [here](#) - find all the cool eco, green leaning stuff you were wondering about?!

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