

ON THE RISE – ASCENT MONTHLY BULLETIN
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Happy World Environment Day!

The UNEP World Environment Day is always a good time to examine the changes that are happening around the world and how far we have come to reduce further human induced climate change. Ok so a brief pat on the back won't stop runaway climate change, but let's hope this day motivates bigger and more effective changes to come!

In ASCENT news we have just finished training several climate messengers to spread the word and inspire and motivate students to action! We wish them luck on their future presentations and workshops

Direct and questions, volunteer interests and feedback to contactascent@gmail.com

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1. GOING GREEN EXPO (5th – 8th June)

The Melbourne Exhibition Centre is hosting a 4-day expo for new technology, products and services and business ideas. It opens on world Environment Day and goes throughout the weekend.

Date: 5th – 8th June

Time: 12:00pm - 8:00pm on Thursday, all other days 10:00pm - 6:00pm

Location: Melbourne Exhibition Centre

Cost: \$15, concession \$10

2. PUBLIC FORUM ON CLIMATE & TRANSPORT (15th June)

Speeding towards dangerous climate change

Hear what the world's leading climate scientists are discovering about the speed of climate change, the potential impacts on our way of life, and what we need to do to safeguard our future.

Guest speakers include: David Spratt and Dr Patrick Moriarty

Date: Sunday 15 June 2008,

Time: 2:30 - 5pm Location: Supper Room, Melbourne Town Hall, cnr Swanston & Collins Streets

RSVP: office@ptua.org.au

URL: <http://www.ptua.org.au/2008/05/19/speeding-towards-dangerous-climate-change/>

3. CLIMATE EMERGENCY RALLY & HUMAN SIGN (5th July)

On the 5th of July people dressed in RED will be gathering in the city from right across Victoria to form a gigantic human sign saying 'CLIMATE EMERGENCY' to indicate to all level of government how serious the state of the planet has become.

Date: Saturday, July 5, 2008

Time: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: Melbourne City Square, Corner Swanston and Collins Streets

<http://climaterally.blogspot.com/>

4. STUDENTS OF SUSTAINABILITY (SoS) (5th - 9th July)

SoS '08 will be held at the University of Newcastle, from the 5th - 9th July bringing together students, community and Indigenous activists, academics, public intellectuals, environmental educators, and social change agents from all over Australia. It will include a range of educational, practical and participatory forums and workshops to inspire and motivate action across the Australian community.

For more information check out the website and register at:

<http://www.studentsofsustainability.org/>