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Renewable Energy Futures Public event series



CLEANaS the Clean Energy Association of Newcastle and Surrounds

CLEANaS is your local champion of renewable energy.

In 2016, we have the ambitious plan getting local communities to invest in exciting renewable energy projects, like solar panels on public buildings. This is part of our Lighthouse Community Energy project. To share our vision as well as information about renewable energy, we're hosting a public event series throughout March and April 2016.

Each event is presented by industry experts who will share their passion and experience to help you -individuals, households and local businesses, to understand how renewable energy can help you to save on your power bills as well as reduce your carbon footprint.

Come to one or all of these FREE events - everyone is welcome.

EVENT DETAILS

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Green Bonds, a new approach to financing

Wednesday 9 March, University House, room UNH240, King Street Newcastle. 6pm for 6.30

How to reduce your power bills, and your carbon footprint

Wednesday 16 March, Toronto Workers Club. 6pm for 6.30

Lighthouse Community Renewable Energy Project

Sunday 3 April, Redhead SLS Club, upstairs. 4pm for 4.30

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Solar power and battery storage, what it means for Hunter rooftops

Harnessing power from the sun is becoming easier as the price of solar panels drops and new battery storage comes onto the market.

Industry professionals, **Energus**, will discuss how this new technology can be used to reduce your carbon footprint and your power bills -something CLEANaS is hoping to achieve for local community organisations as part of their Lighthouse project.

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Green Bonds, a new approach to financing

Green Bonds are being used to fund large-scale renewable energy projects around the globe. Can the same scheme be used to fund small-scale community projects locally?

Rob Fowler, of the **Climate Bonds Initiative**, will present how CBI are sizing the Climate Bond landscape, developing trusted standards, and providing policy models and advice between government, finance and industry stakeholders.

Come along and be part of the discussion to assess the viability of a pilot a scheme here in Newcastle.

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We thank Hunter United and The Tom Farrell Institute for supporting this CLEANaS event.

How to reduce your power bills, and your carbon footprint

Learn practical steps you can take at home to reduce your power bills as well as your carbon footprint. **Lake Macquarie City Council** will also share how they reduced their greenhouse gas emissions by a whopping 20%, largely through the installation of 400kW of renewable energy generation.

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Lighthouse Community Renewable Energy Project

We're hoping to power Surf Life Saving Clubs using renewable energy, like solar power from the sun. It's just one of the many community renewable energy projects we have planned for 2016.

Come along to hear about the benefits of renewable energy and discuss the opportunities it presents for Surf Clubs and other community groups.

Sunday 3 April, Redhead SLS Club, upstairs. 4pm for 4.30

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