

Dear CEFE Supporters,

Welcome to the first Clean Energy for Eternity newsletter for 2007. We're looking forward to your involvement in what is already shaping up to be a dynamic and creative year ahead with clean energy projects abounding around the coastal shires of New South Wales.

Much has happened since the last newsletter was sent out in November last year. See below for brief updates on:

- Membership of Clean Energy for Eternity (CEFE)
- Launch of the Surf Club Project at Tathra Surf Lifesaving club at midday on Saturday 20th January
- The Washing Machine Cyclone sculpture on Jellat Jellat flat
- Eurobodalla CEFE group
- Our new website at www.cleanenergyforeternity.net.au
- International news update – European commission proposes a new energy policy to combat climate change

Please let me know by return email (admin@cleanenergyforeternity.net.au) if you would like to be removed from this mailing list. We'd expect to send out brief updates by newsletter perhaps once a month. Equally, please feel free to forward to anyone else you think might like to receive this newsletter.

Membership of Clean Energy for Eternity

CEFE has now become incorporated – this is a great step forward in terms of structure and increased ability to function as an umbrella organisation for fledgling groups starting up around the country. However, it also carries with it a requirement for developing a formal membership. Please show your continued support for Clean Energy for Eternity and our efforts to address climate change by joining up now.

Single membership is \$20 and family membership is \$30. You can either join on line via our new website (see below) or post a cheque enclosing your name, address and contact details, marked attention Secretary Derek Povel, to Clean Energy for Eternity c/ 14 Canning Street, Bega NSW 2550.

Saturday 20th January – “Lifesaving Energy” surf club project launch at Tathra Surf Life Saving Club

Come and join us at the launch of the clean energy surf club project, 12 noon on Saturday 20th January at the Tathra Surf Life Saving club There is going to be a large national media presence as well as SLSC representatives from all over the country The Bega

community has joined the Bega Valley Shire council and successfully raised the funds required to kick off the project. Pambula and Bermagui Surf Life Saving Clubs will be the next cabs off the rank, with Narooma and other clubs in Eurobodalla Shire raring to join in. Only 304 clubs to go before all these national beach front icons are sporting renewable energy systems.

The renewable energy package installed will include solar hot water, photovoltaic cells and a wind turbine with its tail painted in surf club colours.

There's still time to donate money to the surf club project and join in the photo! – send a cheque to Tathra Surf Club, c/- PO Box 175, Tathra NSW 2550 .

31 December 2006 - Jellat Jellat cyclone



In a major community action, friends and supporters of Clean Energy for Eternity helped local Bega sculptor Richard Moffatt produce a landscape sculpture on an awesome scale. A cyclone of washing machines has descended on the quiet dairy flats near Jellat Jellat.

Articles and photos have appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald, Melbourne Age, Canberra Times, Illawarra Mercury and several other papers.

STOP PRESS - watch the cyclone site next week for major changes!

Eurobodalla Clean Energy for Eternity

On 13th November, Julia Mayo-Ramsay and others hosted a Clean Energy for Eternity meeting in the Moruya RSL. Despite rain and hail, 550 people turned out to unanimously support the adoption of 50/50 by [2020 targets for Eurobodalla](#). An active and enthusiastic local branch of CEFE has since formed. They are planning a human sign on South Broulee beach on 17th March. Contact: Leslie Braman, Tel 4471-8850 Email lbraman@bigpond.net.au

New Website for Clean Energy for Eternity – see www.cleanenergyforeternity.net.au

We have started up a new website, hosted by the begavalley.org.au. Please hop onto www.cleanenergyforeternity.net.au and give us some feedback. It is still under construction, but we hope it will become a highly functional and interesting site that keeps you up to date with clean energy projects around the local region, as well as providing links to other climate change groups around the country and breaking national and international news.

International news update

On 10 January 2007 the European Commission set out proposals and options for keeping climate change to manageable levels in its **Communication "Limiting Global Climate Change to 2° Celsius: The way ahead for 2020 and beyond."** The European Commission proposed a comprehensive package of measures to establish a new energy policy for Europe to combat climate change & that the European Union commits now to cut greenhouse gas emissions by at least 20% by 2020, in particular through energy measures. Europe faces real challenges. There is a more than 50% chance that global temperatures will rise during this century by more than 5°C. On current projections, energy and transport policies would mean that rather than falling, EU emissions would increase by around 5% by 2030. With current trends and policies the EU's energy import dependence will jump from 50% of total EU energy consumption today to 65% in 2030. The package put forward to address these and other challenges is based around three pillars:

1. *A true internal energy market* - the aim is to give real choice for EU energy users, whether citizens or businesses, and to trigger the huge investments needed in energy. The single market is good not just for competitiveness, but also sustainability and security. Further action is required to deliver these aims through a clearer separation of energy production from energy distribution. It also calls for stronger independent regulatory control.
2. *Adoption of renewable energy* - with a proposed binding target of 20% overall energy mix to be sourced from renewable energy by 2020. This will require a massive growth in all three renewable energy sectors: electricity, biofuels and heating and cooling. European Union will also increase its annual spending on energy research by at least 50% for the next seven years.
3. *Energy efficiency* - objective of saving 20% of total primary energy consumption by 2020. If successful, by 2020 the EU would use approx 13% less energy than today, saving 100 billion euro and around 780 tonnes of CO₂ each year. The Commission proposes the use of fuel efficient vehicles for transport is accelerated; tougher standards and better labelling on appliances; improved energy performance of the EU's existing buildings and improved efficiency of heat and electricity generation, transmission and distribution. Also proposed is a new international agreement on energy efficiency

More info at http://ec.europa.eu/environment/climat/future_action.htm & http://ec.europa.eu/unitedkingdom/press/press_releases/2007/pr0701_en.htm

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