



Castlemaine 500 **Watt Matters Most in May 2007?**

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Hello to the C500 Community,

In this rapid update we want to let you know about 4 things ...

- 1. We need more Consent Forms*
- 2. "Have you registered to Castlemaine 500 and NOT YET received FREE light globes!?"*
- 3. Do you have a STORY to share? Join us for Cafe Conversations at Saffs Cafe next Friday (May 25th)*
- 4. HAVE YOUR SAY at the MAP 2020 Community Workshop*

1. We have 150 *Consent Forms* to collect

Click here [<http://www.castlemaine500.org.au/consent.pdf>] to download and print your Consent Form:

C500 is 300 households strong and we have 150 Consent Forms collected thus far. We also know that some households have changed their electricity and/or gas provider since joining C500.

So ... if your household has:

- i. not yet submitted a Consent to Release Form OR*
- ii changed your electricity &/or gas provider since joining C500*

... please return a completed form to us by Mail (see address below) or drop it in to us at one of next week's events.

2. To all Households who have *NOT YET* received their Light Globe Voucher or Energy Smart Thermometer

Most households who joined the Castlemaine 500 community after February this year may not have received their "FREEBIES" yet. Before we mail them out to you WE NEED YOUR CONSENT FORM so that your household can be counted as one of the 500.

Here is what you will get:

- * 1 Energy Smart Thermometer*
- * A voucher for 6 Energy Efficient Light Globes*
- * A C500 letterbox sticker*
- * A Home Energy Action Plan - to post on your fridge*

NOTE: Printz's Origin Shop will have light globes in stock very soon!

3. Do you have a *STORY to share?* If you do there's a *free coffee or tea* waiting for you at Saffs Cafe next Friday (May 25th) ... anytime between 2.30 and 5.30pm!

We would love to collect stories from any household who has taken ACTION to reduce their energy use. Our community team will be collecting Stories and Case Studies to help us promote the simple things that can be done at home to slash greenhouse pollution.

If you have Energy Bills that show an ACTUAL REDUCTION in either gas or electricity consumption, then we are really keen to collect your story! ***For you, there will be free coffee and CAKE :-)***

By the way, if you do have a consent form to get to us ... feel free to drop it by at Saffs!

4. Have your say at the MAP 2020 Workshop

The Mount Alexander Shire are running an innovative Community Planning process at the moment and Castlemaine 500 will be involved at the Community MAP 2020 Workshop. See details below:

Community workshop:

When: Saturday 26 May 2007, time to be confirmed

Where: Mount Alexander Hospital Auditorium, Castlemaine

If you cannot attend, you can access the Map 2020 online survey by clicking on this link:
<http://www.success-works.com.au/MAP/home.html>

If anyone wants to reply to this email in relation to ANYTHING AT ALL, please do so and I will get back to you.

Warm Regards

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