



## Castlemaine 500 Watt Matters Most in Winter 2007

For more information about the Castlemaine 500 project, please contact Geoff Brown on 0403 763 660 or visit our website: [www.castlemaine500.org.au](http://www.castlemaine500.org.au)

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### AUGUST C500 EVENTS

If you joined C500 in the past few months, you have probably NOT attended a workshop or participated in a home energy assessment yet!

August is your time to get involved and attend the 3 workshops OR one of the 10 remaining home energy assessments.

#### #Energy Smart Workshops:

**START MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup>** and run for 3 consecutive Mondays ... 6th, 13th & 20th August.  
All workshops start at 7pm sharp at the Theatre Royal.

*No need to RSVP ... just turn up a bit before 7pm next Monday.*

#### # Home Energy Assessments:

A 4th round of **Home Energy Assessments** is happening in August. The C500 Home Energy Assessment Team is working in partnership with the Mount Alexander Sustainability Group (MASG) to train local people to conduct Home and Business Energy Assessments. C500 and MASG are combining their talents, training programs and volunteers to ensure that Castlemaine continues to lead the way in tackling Climate Change.

First in best dressed ... contact Geoff Brown on 0403 763 660 or [geoff@tangentconsulting.com.au](mailto:geoff@tangentconsulting.com.au) to book your assessment.

*Note: Households who attend the workshops are NOT eligible for a Home Energy Assessment :-)*

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### Win a FREE CD-ROM by recruiting a new household to join C500 ... only 15 left!!

Let someone know about the Energy Smart Workshops starting next Monday at the Theatre Royal!

To be eligible for the CD-ROM, your new recruit needs to submit their online registration survey ([www.castlemaine500.org.au](http://www.castlemaine500.org.au)) AND type YOUR NAME next to the question that asks who recruited them :-)

If you do recruit someone and hear nothing from us, please send me an email directly ([geoff@tangentconsulting.com.au](mailto:geoff@tangentconsulting.com.au)).

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### Light Globes now available at Printz's Origin Shop

Energy Efficient Light Globes have been in demand all across the country and Origin simply ran out of stocks!!

If you have a C500 Origin Light Globe voucher BE QUICK as boxes of light globes are now available for "pick up" from Printz's Origin Shop.

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### **PowerMate again available ON LOAN from the Castlemaine Library!**

The *Power-Mate* measures the energy consumption of electrical appliances in your home. It helps you track down the biggest energy users or those appliances with standby loads. The *Power-Mate* device can accurately measure and calculate power, volts, amps and energy being used by an electrical appliance.

The *Power-Mate* can also measure the greenhouse gas emission created by an appliance. The highlight of the device is its ability to determine the actual running cost of an electrical appliance. The *Power Mate* is available for a 3 day loan (for FREE) at the Castlemaine Library.

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### **We want to collect YOUR Energy-Smart STORY!**

On July 5th, the Castlemaine 500 project is training local people in the art of "Story Collection". So far we have collected 10 stories from households who have taken action to reduce energy use at home. WE NEED MORE STORIES :-)

If your household has taken action (any action ... **BIG** or small) ... *we would like to hear from you (by replying to this email).*

*A local community volunteer* will contact you and arrange to time to meet and collect your story. By the end of the project we hope to have a collection of household stories that will inspire others to take action in their own home.

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*If you have returned a signed copy of the Consent to Release Information form and you HAVE NOT received your light globe voucher, please contact me directly.*

If you have any other questions, comments or suggestions, please get back to me.

Warm Regards

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