This Month's Eco-Facts and Stats

- Recycling 1 tonne of paper saves up to 13 trees
- Every litre of petrol saved means 2.5kgs of CO₂ saved
- The energy saved from recycling one aluminium can will power your TV for 3 hours

PERTH SUN FAIR- April 9th
Perth's Renewable Energy and Sustainable Living Fair is coming Sunday April the 9th to the UWA Oak Lawn.
Come down for a celebration of renewable energy and sustainable living through trade displays, government and corporate initiatives, community groups, roaming theatre and musical entertainment and activities.
For more information see: www.sustainability.fm.uwa.edu.au

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Win $100 worth of prizes in our Student Poster Competition!
For all those budding artists and graphic designers- here is a challenging opportunity for you to showcase your talent and be in the running for some great prizes!
EcoECU is holding a poster competition for students. The poster's theme is: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and should be aimed at encouraging staff and students to minimise their waste, reuse where possible and lastly, recycle.
Posters will be judged on creativity (a good slogan wouldn't hurt), originality and quality of work.
Entries are preferred formatted to print A4 size and be supplied as a Photoshop (300 dpi) Illustrator or Freehand file. However, all electronic entries will be accepted and considered.
Submit entries via email to environment@ecu.edu.au by Friday 28th April. The winner will be announced mid May.

ECU's New Cycling Group
As many of you may have noticed, petrol prices are continuously on the rise.
Now is the time for you to dump the car, hop on a bike and ride to Uni! Fortunately- you will not have to ride alone.
Become part of the new ECU Cycling Club and meet others that also have a passion for cycling (or can't afford to run their car any longer!)
Membership fees are set at $15 for students and faculty, and $20 for the general public. The club is open to all levels and types of riders. Not only will membership allow you to connect with other cyclists from ECU and the surrounding areas, the ECU Cycling Club has also just obtained sponsorship from AROMA coffee shops ($2 coffee, tea, and cappuccino), as well as sponsorship from Fleet cycles (15% discount on all store items and 50% off labour).
If you are interested in getting more information on the ECU Cycling Club, or becoming a member please email: ecucycling@ecu.edu.au

For more information contact Melanie Barter, ECU Environmental Officer, 6304 2232 or environment@ecu.edu.au
Bunbury EcoHome now finished!
The SW Regional College of TAFE have recently completed the Bunbury EcoHome project, in which ECU was a partner organisation. The EcoHome demonstrates affordable and sustainable design that reduces household energy and water use, uses sustainable materials while maintaining a comfortable living environment.
The house has been completed and will now be tenanted for 12 months while the thermal performance and energy and water use are monitored.
You can do a virtual tour of the house at [www.bunburyecohome.com](http://www.bunburyecohome.com), with lots of other information on sustainable design also available on that website.

HUGE discounts for ECU staff and students at Pedal Power!
Pedal Power, Heathridge is offering ECU staff and students a 10% discount on all accessories and a 20% discount on all new bicycles during the month of April!
So get down to Shop 8, 99 Caridean St Heathridge and get cycling!

Green Products Online
Corporate Express has made available their range of Eco-friendly stationary and recycled paper products on their purchasing website. You can find these items on the Corporate Express website under the ‘Frequent Order’ tab on the left, or simply ‘Browse’ for Eco-friendly products.

STUDENTS… EARN MONEY GETTING BACK TO NATURE!
Ecojobs provides casual staff for on-ground environmental projects in the Perth area. Ecojobs work can help you gain practical experience, help to increase your networks in the industry and assist you in finding permanent ongoing employment. If you are looking for casual work and can fulfill the following criteria please contact Annika or Helen on 9360 6667 or on ecojobs@greenskills.green.net.au.

ENVIRONMENT OFFICER SEEKS GREEN OFFICE REPS!
EcoECU has developed a Green Office Program, and is calling for staff and postgraduate students interested in becoming a Green Office Rep.
The Green Office Program is aimed at improving environmental practices within the University by raising awareness of the environmental impacts that result from daily office practices, and providing ‘greener’ alternatives. At the heart of the Program are the Reps- staff and postgraduate students from across the University who undertake to raise staff awareness and to encourage and facilitate small changes to daily work practices.
As a Green Office Rep, you will spend about 10-20 minutes a week working on behalf of the Program - this may involve attending informational or networking sessions, undertaking an office environmental assessment, disseminating environmental information or promoting environmental initiatives such as ‘green’ purchasing, recycling or water conservation to other staff members. All Reps will receive a Green Office Information Pack of goodies to help implement the Program within their work area.
If you would like to know more or to register your interest, contact the Environment Officer on 6304 2232 or [environment@ecu.edu.au](mailto:environment@ecu.edu.au) or visit the EcoECU website: [www.ecu.edu.au/fas/ecoecu](http://www.ecu.edu.au/fas/ecoecu).

New Look for Campus Recycling
EcoECU has re-branded and revised the University’s recycling collection stations and would like to encourage staff and students to utilise these stations as much as possible and help to raise the University’s recycling rate. VISY Recycling have been engaged to empty the bins weekly- so fill them up!

Commingled recycling stations can be found on all metropolitan campuses and accept all types of recyclables including aluminium cans, glass and plastic bottles and even paper coffee cups. They don't accept food scraps, polystyrene or plastic bags.

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