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## DID YOU KNOW?

In Australia, cars contribute 7% of our total greenhouse gas emissions

At the last 'Flower' Street get together, residents learnt about **biodiesel** as an **alternative fuel source** from Philip Dolan who has converted his Peugeot to run off biodiesel. Biodiesel is the name for a variety of ester-based oxygenated fuels made from **vegetable oils** or **animal fats**. The concept of using vegetable oil as a fuel dates back to 1895 when Dr. Rudolf Diesel developed the first diesel engine to run on vegetable oil. Diesel demonstrated his engine at the World Exhibition in Paris in 1900 using peanut oil as fuel.

For more information about using biodiesel in your car, contact Philip at [dolandesign@yahoo.com](mailto:dolandesign@yahoo.com) or on 4751 4994 – he is happy to share his knowledge with us all.



## Sturdee Street BBQ

Last Sunday, the Sturdee Street group had its end of year BBQ and even with the weather leaving a little to be desired, people still came along to say hello to others from their street. There were sausages and drinks a plenty and whilst conversations varied throughout the day they would inevitably end with "...I wonder what's happening in the cricket", so after having a feed and a chat everybody went home and turned on Channel 9.

The BBQ was the last Sturdee Street meeting for this year and as yet there have been no plans made to hold a meeting next year. However keep an eye on you letterbox, as you will be notified of any future events.

## Stuck for Christmas Gift Ideas?

Have a look at these websites:

[www.ecoshop.com.au](http://www.ecoshop.com.au)

[www.biome.com.au](http://www.biome.com.au)

[www.thegreendirectory.com.au](http://www.thegreendirectory.com.au)

Don't forget when looking for presents try to avoid excess packaging or make sure the packaging can be recycled. Also look for products that have been made from recycled materials.



**Wishing you and your families a very merry  
Christmas and a safe and happy 2007.**

## Library and Manuals

The portable group library and the Sustainability Street manuals are a great source of information. If you have a sustainability question, they are an excellent first step in finding out more. Also, if you find an interesting article, or an informative brochure about Sustainable Living, why not grab an extra copy to add to the library as a resource for the rest of the group.

**Sharing knowledge is a great way to sow!**

## \*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTICE \*\*\*

### ‘FLOWER’ STREETS ARE KICKING OFF 2007 WITH A SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Come along on Sunday 11 February 2006 to the Nemesia Street Park Hall at 3pm and get to know some of your fellow 'Flower' Street residents.

There will be a FREE Sausage Sizzle (while it lasts) and lots of information and giveaways.

Mark the date in your diary and keep an eye on your letterbox for more information in the new year.