

*Sustainability Street - what a positive thing to be doing...*

My husband and I have been going to Sustainability Street since it started - we haven't missed a session yet. It's a real buzz to be part of such a great program. We have learnt so much about living lighter on the planet - we've also learnt that there's so much more to learn!

**What I didn't expect to get out of Sustainability Street though, was the sense of connectedness to our local community, something that I haven't felt since I was a kid.** It's so nice to be able to walk our streets and know that there are people close by who care about our future and each other. **Social connectedness seems to make for safe and strong communities and I think maybe there could be a lot of other people missing this feeling also - life's just so busy hey!**



One of the locally native shrubs in Matt & Kelly's garden is *Dwilwynia sieberi*, commonly known as Eggs & Bacon

Last month everyone came to our house to check out our native garden, it was great to be able to share some knowledge about local native plants and wildlife gardens - but it was just as nice sharing some teabags and tim-tams with a great bunch of people.

Whilst yes we're all busy people, if you could spare a couple of hours a month - you might just feel like a better person for it.

**Kelly (Flower Streets)**

**You can purchase local native plants from Greening Australia's Community Nursery at Nurragingy Reserve Doonside. For details on when they are open contact 9672 4009.**

**GARDENS OF STURDEE STREET - THE TOUR**

This aptly named event is designed to give the residents of Sturdee Street the chance to show off their favourite shrub, display their finest flower and enlighten the rest of the group with any gardening wisdom that they have picked up over the years.

The tour will start at Maria & Richard's place at 10am on **Sunday 8 October** and then head along Sturdee Street popping into gardens that people have opened up for the group.

If you would like to open up your garden to the tour, or if you would just like to join the tour, call Maria or Richard on 9896 3839 or James (Holroyd Council) on 9840 9643.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

One of Council's Childcare Officers is available to attend each session to look after any young ones, so Mum and Dad can get involved.



*Ann, Council's Childcare Officer, with some of the children from Sturdee Street*

**\*\*\* NEXT MEETING \*\*\***

**The 'Flower' Streets Greystanes**  
**Sunday 17 September 2006 2pm**  
**Venue: Nemesia Street Park Hall**

**Sturdee Street Wentworthville**  
**Sunday 8 October 2006 10.00am - 12.00pm**  
**Maria & Richard's - 18 Sturdee Street**