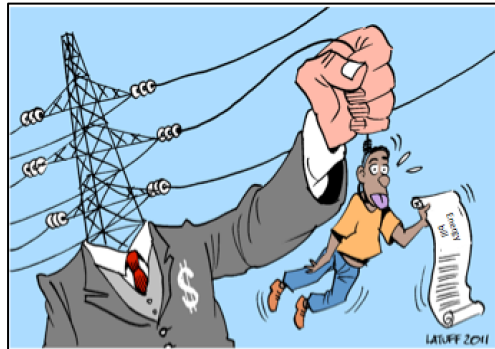


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During the 9th year of the Murrindindi Climate Network Inc. we have worked on the following projects:

Information night: Breaking Free From the Grid

Starting point for the 9th year was an information night entitled “Breaking Free From the Grid”. Some 70 attendants followed a presentation by Peter McKernan and Andrew Cooper on measures and tips for householders and businesses to lower their energy bills and to increase their energy efficiency. The feedback for this event was very positive and guests recommended further activities on this topic, including Show & Tell house visits.



Federal Elections Candidate Forum for the Electorate of Indi



On Saturday, 18. of June, a candidate forum was held at the Alexandra Shire Hall. This event was moderated by Bob Flowers, former Mayor of the Murrindindi Shire. Represented were two independent candidates, the ALP, the Greens, the Liberals, the Nationals and the Australian Country party. Prior to the meeting, candidates received four questions related to the environment and climate change. At the event, there were also questions from the floor.

Other activities included:

Assisting the Rubicon Forest Protection Group with organising educational forest walks

A submission to Federal Department of the Environment on the Leadbeater’s possum Recovery Plan 2016

Two submissions to VicForest on the New Timber Release Plan 2016 and its amendments



Outlook for the 10th Anniversary Year of MCN

- Continue information sessions on energy efficiency measures for households and businesses and on energy policy matters;
- Explore the possibility of “zero emissions “ townships for our Shire, following the example of Yackandandah;
- Make submissions on matters regarding energy efficiency and the environment.

Join us in making this year’s program a great opportunity for hands-on learning, networking and camaraderie – your ideas and involvement are welcome!