

LEC NEWSLETTER - Summer 2006/07

Bumper week promoting an alternative future for Tasmania:

Thursday, February 22, from 9.20am, TAP are holding a community expression of opposition outside of the pulp mill RPDC directions hearings at the Albert Hall.

Friday, February 23, 11am, Simeon Michaels will make shore on the Tassie mainland at Old Pier Beach, Bridport. Spare some time and welcome him ashore after crossing Bass Strait in his kayak!

Sunday, February 25 from 5pm an art auction will be held by the Investors for the Future of Tasmania at the Stillwater Cafe and Resturant.

Round Table and Kayak Trip Gather Pace:

The LEC's initiative to establish a Tasmanian Round Table for Sustainable Industry is gathering pace.

Fundraising efforts are progressing well and we are talking with all sectors of the Tasmanian economy to encourage participation. This is a positive initiative examining what a sustainable economy will look like in Tasmania.

On the water, Simeon Michaels is nearing the major part of his journey - crossing Bass Strait! To stay in touch with Simeon and support his efforts go to www.paddlewithsim.com

Sydney to Hobart kayak trip starts today!

Simeon Michaels will today start his massive kayak trip from Sydney to Hobart. To stay in touch with his journey go to his web site at www.paddlewithsim.com

Sydney to Hobart Kayak Trip to promote sustainable development in Tasmania

This summer, Simeon Michaels, will paddle from Sydney to Hobart in a Kayak to raise awareness about the proposed pulp mill near Launceston and to promote positive economic alternatives to the development.

A lawyer, Vice President of the Ethical Investment Association, a past advisor to UNEP (the United Nations Environment Program) and a co-founder of a company now listed on the ASX, Simeon has spent his career working in business and financial markets promoting positive environmental outcomes.

He sees the proposed mill as a threat to both the environment and economy of Tasmania and will use the paddle from Sydney to Hobart to talk about those threats. More importantly, he will focus on replacing the pulp mill idea with a truly sustainable economic base for the state. To stay in touch with Simeon's adventure go to www.paddlewithsim.com

Tasmania roundtable for sustainable industry:

In the LEC submission to the RPDC on the proposed pulp mill near Launceston, we focused heavily on the economic side of the debate. We identified significant faults in the proponent's claims of an economic *bonanza* for tasmania should the mill be built.

Therefore, in conjunction with Simeon Michaels, a national leader on issues of sustainable industries, the LEC is establishing a Tasmanian roundtable for sustainable industry.

The roundtable will be a mix of industry representatives and stakeholder groups that will identify what a sustainable economy will look like in Tasmania.

End of suburbia and cycle for sustainability 2006:

As part of cycle for sustainability 2006, the Launceston Environment Centre is presenting end of suburbia, the documentary about peak oil, and giving you the opportunity to meet with the participants who are cycling from Sydney to Hobart promoting and encouraging people to adopt a more sustainable lifestyle.

The cycle for sustainability 2006 participants would like to meet with you to share their journey, personal achievements and stories of inspiration after presenting grassroots education to 2000 students at 20 to Schools after three months on the road.

When: Saturday, December 2

Time: 6:30 p.M.

Where: 34 Cameron St

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