

Sustainable Homes



A Walking tour in Seymour

Sunday June 14th from 10am onwards

The idea. We walk around Seymour and look at 3 homes in various stages of energy and garden transition. We discuss the opportunities and look at what they have achieved. Lots of time for questions...start at

13 Tehan Street at 10am sharp

Left image above - Shelley indicates where the solar air heater will be positioned.

Shelley bought an old weatherboard house in Seymour, intentionally with the rear facing north. This allowed her to do an energy efficient passive solar addition in 2014, to add thermal mass in a well ventilated insulated Living Room. She has designed for an active solar heating system to complement the passive solar, and recently added a rooftop solar power system. Now for summer shading and her garden options. *Then we walk to:*

23 Loco Street at Irene and John's

Centre image above - Irene and Richard and Kai discuss the potential of a solar greenhouse on a blank north wall, and a eucalypt that is problematic.

Irene and John purchased a 50s cream brick veneer with a north facing rear yard, in 2013. They have purchased a house with good orientation, but no thermal mass. A north facing back yard has experienced a permaculture garden development, now awaiting an energy upgrade of the existing house. *Then pick up your car OR walk to...*

1A Abdallah Road at Richard, Kunie and family

Right image above - Kunie and Christine check out seedlings in the solar greenhouse, that opens to the kitchen and bathroom- a morning boost of winter warmth.

This is the whole picture - house+garden+lifestyle. This property is a good example of passive solar house design, a productive and delightful intensive garden that relates strongly with the house, and a household that have built a low energy lifestyle around house and garden.

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