

One-day Conference
Saturday 6 February 2010

What roles can the
Union and **Green** movements play in
Saving the planet?

- Is it a case of *workers' jobs* versus *saving the environment*?
- Does the environmental movement *need* unions?

Key themes:

- The history of the interface of environmental and union campaigns.
- How can working people and unions contribute to environmental campaigns?
- How can the environment movement engage more meaningfully with unions?
- What kinds of **red/green** activism could be helpful for the future?

Unions have had a long-running involvement in **Green** issues, from the early Chartist struggles against factory pollution to US auto workers' struggles to clean up the Great Lakes. Australian examples include the role of unions and their members in saving the Barrier Reef from oil drilling, and the iconic Green Bans.

Yet the tensions between union and green movements remain. How can an understanding of the history of both movements contribute to closer cooperation in the future as we face increasingly severe environmental problems?

Keynote Speakers



Jack Munday – union and environmental activist and Green Bans campaigner
(Sponsored by Queensland Council of Unions)



Ian Lowe – Emeritus Professor at Griffith University and prominent environmentalist



Tony Maher – National President of the Mining Division of the CFMEU

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Saving the Planet?

Red, Green and In-between:

Reviewing Labour and the Environment in Historical Context

A conference organised by the Brisbane Labour History Association, The Australian Society for the Study of Labour History, The Centre for Work, Organisation and Well-being and The Department of Employment Relations, Griffith University.

In addition to the keynote speakers, a range of papers will be presented by both activists and academics on:

- The difficulties of joining traditional leftism and radical environmentalism
- Climate change and non-adversarial union activism
- Young people's role in bridging the red/green divide
- Is Green the new Left?
- The 'Earthworker' story
- The role of 'green' documentary makers
- Community initiatives to save the George's River in Sydney
- Community and union action that led to the creation of Mt Lesueur National Park in WA
- Attempts to preserve a significant Maori site in Auckland
- Solidarity with non-human animals

Papers are still being sought from activists. If you have an interesting issue to present, please contact Dale Jacobsen, sr.music@bigpond.com with a 30-50-word summary and a 30-50-word biography by the end of December.

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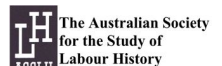
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