

Sustainable Scripps Ranch in December

Garden Share

Scripps Ranch Library Courtyard

Saturday, December 16, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Bring what you have; take something you want.

Anything garden related is welcome. Be sure to bring a bag to take home your finds!

Check out the seed library while you are there.

Stargazing at West Sycamore

East end of Stonebridge Parkway 92131

Friday, December 15, Sunset at 4:44 - clouds or rain cancel

Park on the street and walk in.

What you will see: 3-day old crescent moon sets at 7:40. Dark winter night with Jupiter near Zenith. Saturn is visible in the West. Orion with its bright star forming region rises late at 8:47. Cassiopeia is high on the meridian, so look for the galaxies M41 and M42 that will be nice on this dark night.

<https://sdaa.org/events/>

SDG&E – Easy Electrification for Your Beloved Home – Virtual

Thursday December 7, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

In this introduction to residential electrification, you will learn best practices, techniques and technologies available today to accomplish electrification without the expensive and time-consuming task of upgrading existing electrical panels.

<https://seminars.sdge.com/learn/course/external/view/classroom/23835/easy-electrification-for-your-beloved-home-12072023>

Other Useful SDG&E Information:

Rebates - <https://www.sdge.com/rebates>

Residential Energy Solutions - <http://sdge.com/RES>

Gas Appliance Check - <https://sdge.com/GasCheck>

Redwood Energy Pocket Guide - <https://www.redwoodenergy.net/research/a-pocket-guide-to-all-electric-retrofits-of-single-family-homes>

Solana Center - December Green Living Tour

Solana Center for Environmental Innovation, 137 N El Camino Real, Encinitas, 92024

Saturday, December 2, 10 – 11 a.m.

A tour at our home base in Encinitas that showcases sustainability in action. On the tour, knowledgeable Eco Team docents walk you through worm bins, greywater systems, innovative compost projects, tool lending library, water-wise garden, and more simple DIY, climate-friendly solutions. https://solanacenter.org/inspire_events/december-green-living-tour/

Bike Coalition San Diego County – Smart Cycling

A two-part class to learn how to navigate the roads safely and legally on a bike. An in-person classroom session covers bicycling and the law, crashes and how to avoid them, as well as how to drive your bike safely in a variety of road, traffic, and weather conditions day or night. The second session applies what you learned in a controlled setting. Fees apply.

<https://sdbikecoalition.org/events/>

Session 1 - Tuesday, December 5, 6 – 9 p.m. Qualcomm, Bldg. Q, 6455 Lusk Blvd, 92121

Session 2 – Saturday, December 9, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Mira Mesa Community Park North 8520 New Salem St., 92126

I Love a Clean San Diego – Miramar Landfill Bus Tour

Metro Biosolids Center, 5240 Convoy St, San Diego, CA 92111

Thursday, November 30, Wednesday, December 6, and Saturday, December 16, 9 – 11 a.m.

The City of San Diego Environmental Services Department provides a behind-the-scenes peek at what happens when you throw something away. More information here,

<https://cleansd.org/events/list/>

Friends of Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve – Restoration Project in Black Mountain Open Space Park

Sunday, December 10, 2 – 4 p.m. and Sunday December 24, 2 – 4 p.m.

No experience needed to plant, weed, and water native plantings to restore habitat for endangered birds and butterflies. Service hour credits available. Bring gloves if you have them & plenty of water. Meet at Black Mtn. Ranch Community Park, northeast corner. Walk through the gate and look for a big white Ford 150 4x4 truck. That's us.

<https://www.penasquitos.org/hikes-events/>

TIPS

The Ultimate Guide to a Sustainable Holiday Season

Architectural Digest provides some useful tips on way to reduce waste and make this holiday season more sustainable while keeping it special.

<https://www.architecturaldigest.com/reviews/home-improvement/sustainable-holidays>