



District 410A

"Green Living"

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Creature Feature:

Only two rabbit species occur naturally in South Africa:

- (1) Scrub Hare;
- (2) Cape or Common Hare

The Easter bunny is neither!!!



Plant egg box spring flowers

Fill an egg box with germinating mix using the lid and base.
 Sweet peas & primulas have large seeds and Namaqualand daisies germinate easily.
 Place the planted-up egg box in a shady place with good light but no direct sunlight.
 Using a small watering can or spritz bottle, water the soil after planting.
 Water lightly every day while the seeds germinate.
 Once the plants are about 10cm tall, they can be planted directly into the garden or pot.
 No need to take them out of the egg box because the cardboard will disintegrate.

Dates to diarise:

- 23/03:** Earth Hour—switch off your lights from 20h30 to 21h30 in a symbolic gesture to pledge your commitment to combating climate change;
- 10/04:** Kirstenbosch horticulturist Dr Ernst van Jaarsveld discusses “Welwitschia, a living fossil”;
- 13/04:** Sandcastle competition on Hout Bay beach;
- 22/04:** Earth Day—promotes environmental awareness and calls for the protection of our planet.



Did you know?

That Africa is—the second largest continent; the hottest continent and the only continent crossed by the Equator, Tropic of Capricorn, Tropic of Cancer and Greenwich meridian (0° longitude).



Websites to surf:

- www.greentalent.co.za—this is a mecca for eco job seekers and has info about available courses.
- www.africaturnsgreen.com—promotes the work of entrepreneurs safeguarding our eco-systems.

Bird feeder:

In the December “Green Living” issue, I mentioned about making your own bird feeder.
 Lion John decided to take up the challenge and we now fill up the feeder once a week!
 Pigeons and sparrows love this so much and it doesn’t take them long to finish the bottle!!
 I took a snap shot of a sparrow really enjoying the feast inside...

“Protecting our Environment” Global Service Campaign

The environment is a major concern for communities and people around the world.

During April, join Lions around the world to protect our environment. Organise hands-on projects throughout the month and create awareness of the importance of protecting our environment.
 For ideas and more information, download the “Call to Action Flyer” (iad460), “Planning Guide” (iad463), “Project Ideas (iad464) and the “Press Release” (SCR0017) available on the LCI website.

Send me your activities (with photos) and remember to include them on the LCI website.



DC Liz