

plugged in

THE EXPERT TRADESMENS' NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the fourth edition of *Plugged In!*

AUTUMN HAS ARRIVED BRINGING shorter days and cooler nights with it. To prolong the outdoor lifestyle read our lighting article, take advantage of the special offer and gain the many benefits of a well lit outdoor area.

Be sure to check out our article on gas heating to prepare for winter before those cool nights become freezing ones! Always best to get in early!

Hope you enjoy our tips and we look forward to helping you when you next need our services and thank you again for your continued trust and support.

All the teams at Everest Electrical and Jedi Plumbing. ■

Outdoor Lighting



WITH SHORTER DAYS AND EARLIER nightfalls, Autumn is the perfect time to organise your outdoor lighting. Well planned and efficient fixtures can be beautiful and functional.

Your electrician can help provide the best solutions to your outdoor lighting needs including uplights, flood lights, motion and light sensors, LED's, timers, garden or zone lighting. Benefits can be:

- **Safety** – Home exteriors are full of potential dangers like stairs, drops offs and tripping hazards. Illuminate areas such as decks, walkways, gardens, pool areas, outdoor seating, driveways, garages and home entry areas to provide safe navigation at night. The more lights, the safer it is.
- **Security** – A well lit yard presents a feeling of security, which discourages trespassing, vandalism and theft. Install lights with motion detectors

so they illuminate when motion activates them. Motion sensors don't stay on all day or night and therefore can save you money by only turning on if someone is in your yard. They also help your neighbours to check on your house if you are away.

- **Comfort** – Proper landscape lighting creates a warm and inviting ambience whilst allowing use of outdoor areas long after the sun goes down...more fun!
- **Beauty** – Showcase beautiful gardens, add mood lighting and even highlight trees and shrubs with low voltage exterior lights.

Whether the purpose is to increase safety and security or to provide a comfortable environment for family and friends, adding outdoor lighting will only enhance and beautify your home. Call your electrician now and become illuminated! ■

20%

The amount you could save on your electricity bill by switching off appliances at the wall. Leaving TV's, DVD's, and stereos on stand-by mode can generate up to 150 kilograms of greenhouse gas per year and can add as much as 20% to your electricity bill. Say no to stand-by mode and unplug appliances at the wall.

Shine a light on safety and security

This Autumn SAVE 50% on high quality, 5 yr warranty, Clipsal Motion sensors with all outdoor lighting installations.



Remember...
to mention your membership
when you book in your
next job with us.

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**Feel the heat in your home,
not your energy bills**

DON'T LET THE FIRST COLD SNAP of the season take you by surprise – start researching your home heating options now!

Keeping your home cosy through the chill of winter whilst avoiding high energy bills is a balancing act that raises the question of whether to choose gas or electric heating.

Heating and cooling our homes amounts to approximately 23 per cent of Australia's household energy use. As a homeowner you need to consider your home heating requirements and choose a system that delivers the right amount of warmth, whilst avoiding energy wastage and bill shock.

Gas heating is cheaper and kinder to the environment than electricity, generating around one-third of the amount of greenhouse gas emissions.

Additionally gas copes easily with heating large spaces quickly; and can reduce heating bills by up to 60 per cent.

It's a recognised fact that electricity will always be used for appliances like TVs, fridges and freezers but when it comes to heating your home, cooking and hot water, Natural Gas is the perfect choice.

It's also a great feeling knowing that you are reducing your carbon footprint by switching to Natural Gas.

So how do we get connected to Natural Gas I hear you ask? To start, you need to find out if gas is available to your property. Either ask your neighbours or

simply go to thenaturalchoice.com.au and use the Natural Gas availability tool, which will tell you if your property is in the Jemena Natural Gas Network. Having confirmed the status of your property, your Jedi Plumbing technician will fill out a connection application form. On receipt of the application, Jemena will generate a connection offer and send it back to you for acceptance. Following your acceptance of their connection offer, Jemena will contact you to arrange connection from the gas main to a gas meter, which they will install on your property. It is then back in the hands of your Jedi Plumbing technician to run the gas pipe work from the gas meter to your appliances.

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When it comes to choosing your new gas heater, Jedi Plumbing recommends the brands Rinnai and Jet Master. The Rinnai website has a great tool to help you select the right heater for your room.

So if you're not already using gas to heat your home, now is the time to look at your options and consider getting connected to gas. You will never look back. ■

DID YOU KNOW?



A dripping hot water tap can waste 12,000 litres of hot water a year.



It is proven fact that homes with motion sensors have less crime than those that do not.

SPECIAL OFFER

SAVE 20% on new gas pipe work installations this Autumn

50°C

The safest maximum temperature for household hot water. At 60°C it takes 5 seconds for water to burn skin. At 65°C it takes under a second, and even less for infants. Prevent hot water scalding by having a tempering valve installed at your hot water heater.

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