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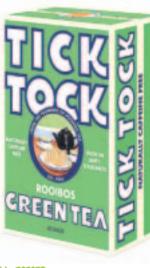
» energy to burn

ONE CHEESEBURGER

TO BURN off the extra energy the body receives from a cheeseburger, you would need to: • Play 26 minutes of basketball • Dlay 25 minutes of basketball

- Play 25 minutes of hockey
 Play 23 minutes of football
- Go inline skating for 36 minutes
- Go skateboarding for 43 minutes

Source: fitness2live.com.au energy balancer



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TICK TOCK GREEN TEA, \$4

IF YOU like to drink a lot of tea, green tea is a wise choice. Full of antioxidants, it's reported to help everything from cancer to cardiovascular disease. Tick Tock green tea is

available at selected Woolworths stores nationally.

» what is

PATELLA TENDINITIS

THE shinbone is connected to the kneebone by the patella tendon. An extremely strong tendon, it allows the quadriceps to straighten the leg.

People who put pressure on the tendon – by jumping or running - can be in danger of contracting patella tendinitis. Symptoms to look out for include aching and stiffness after exercise; feeling pain at the bottom of the kneecap and front, particularly when pressing it; the affected tendon perhaps appearing larger than the unaffected side; and some weakness in your calf. The best treatment for a grade-one strain is massage, rest and icing. For a gradetwo strain, condition training needs to be modified and more massage is required.

Grade-three strains demand complete rest, and grade four can lead to surgery.

» this just in

DO YOU want your children to eat less? Then let them serve themselves. They probably won't serve a super-size portion on their own. Or pour drinks into tall, narrow glasses rather than short, wide ones.

They'll think they're getting more (so will you). With Australians

spending billions of dollars a year on fat-loss techniques ranging

from celebrity diets to stomach-stapling surgery, the relatively new field of behavioural nutrition examines more down-to-earth questions. Can you reduce the attraction of sweets? Can you

super-size fruit and vegetables? In both cases, yes, though it depends on the child.

It's a matter of asking: what are children experiencing and how are those experiences shaping their eating?

» expert

ANDREW JOBLING, AUTHOR

Q I've tried and looked at so many different diets and eating plans and I'm really confused. What would you suggest for someone who is wanting to be leaner, healthier and have more energy?

A Yes, it can be extraordinarily confusing. It seems every day there is a new product, theory, book, diet or some other magical formula for being lean, healthy and energised.

My suggestion is simple: stop looking for a new way. There is one way that works and has done so for centuries and centuries.

The perceived problem with this approach is that there is no short cut. It will take some time for you to get the results you want.

What would you rather: continuing to look for quick easy ways that will not give you the long-term results you want, or taking the time to create habits that you can maintain, you can enjoy and will continue to bring you all the things you want for the rest of your life?

Take control of your eating and the results you get. Getting incredible results through food is not difficult and it's not new.

Here are five simple steps to nutritional bliss and getting the results you've always wanted: **1. Eat foods in or as close as possible to their natural state. 2.** Eat a variety of whole grains, fruit and vegetables and quality proteins.

 3. Eat breakfast within 30 minutes of getting up and eat a small snack or meal every two hours.
 4. Drink at least two litres of purified water a day.
 5. Indulge in moderation.

Follow the plan, be consistent, be patient, focus on health, energy and enjoyment and the rest will take care of itself.

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