



Williamstown  
Community  
and Education  
Centre Inc

# Newsletter

## February 2025

Joan Kirner House Williamstown, Spotswood Community House,  
and Altona North Community House.

For Members, Committee, Staff, Volunteers, Students, Stakeholders, Centre users,  
Partners, Sponsors and Our Community.

### What's Coming Up?

- Tuesday January 28. **Term one** commences.
- Wednesday February 5. **FREE Welcome to term one 2025 BBQ.** Joan Kirner House. 12.15 pm. All welcome! Sponsored by Mobil.
- Wednesday February 5, 12, 19, and 26. **FREE Willy Walking Group.** From 10.15 am to 11.00 am, starting at Joan Kirner House.
- Wednesday February 5, 12, 19, and 26. **FREE Community Morning Tea.** Joan Kirner House at 11.00 am. Sponsored by Mobil. All welcome!
- Tuesday 25 February. **FREE Planting for a Purpose Workshop.** Spotswood Community House. 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm. Sponsored by Melbourne Airport. Details below.
- Wednesdays 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. **FREE Disability Support Group for the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse.** Altona North Community House. Details below.
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. **FREE Skills for Education and Employment.** Joan Kirner House. Details below.
- Fridays 9.30 to 11.00am. **Pelicans Baby Play Group.** Joan Kirner House. Details below.
- Fridays 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm (Kids) 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm (Grown-ups) **Willy Wargaming.** Joan Kirner House. Details below.
- Fridays 10.00 am to 12.00. **FREE My Time.** For parents with a child who has a disability. Spotswood Community House. Details below.



## GROW YOUR KNOWLEDGE

### FREE GARDENING WORKSHOP SERIES



**Join Cultivating Community for a hands-on gardening journey led by our Horticulturist Specialist! Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just starting out, these workshops are perfect for learning new skills and connecting with your community.**

**WORKSHOP 1: PLANTING WITH A PURPOSE**  
**25 FEBRUARY**  
**1 - 2PM**  
 Learn how to set up a Food Cube and plant seedlings that will flourish for everyone in the community to enjoy.

**WORKSHOP 2: COMPOSTING MADE SIMPLE**  
**11 MARCH**  
**1 - 2PM**  
 Discover how to set up a tumbler compost system and explore creative ways to compost at home. Transform waste into valuable garden gold!

**WORKSHOP 3: SEASONAL PLANTING**  
**25 MARCH**  
**1 - 2PM**  
 Improved food literacy and practical gardening skills, taking into account seasonality focusing on Australian seasons

**AT SPOTSWOOD COMMUNITY HOUSE**  
**598 MELBOURNE RD.**  
**SPOTSWOOD**

WCEC WILLIAMSTOWN  
 COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE

**FREE & ANYONE WELCOME!**






RSVP BY EMAIL OR VIA QR CODE  
ALBANY@CULTIVATINGCOMMUNITY.ORG.AU

**FREE!**  
 At Spotswood Community House.



**FREE!**  
 At Altona North Community House.



**Altona North Disability Support Group**  
 Disability support group for culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) individuals with a disability

Join our free support group in **Altona North**:

- Meet people in a safe and welcoming space and enjoy fun activities
- Learn about your rights
- Learn about self-advocacy
- Talk about issues that are important to you

For more information and to register, please scan the QR code or send an email to



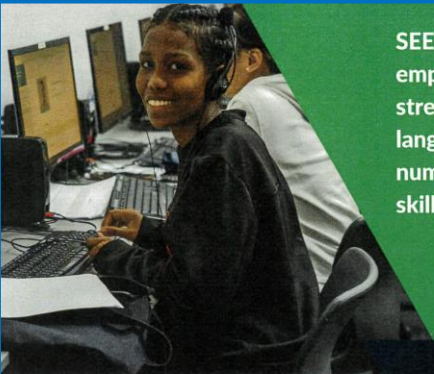
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[Link to form](#)

This project is funded by the Department of Social Services (DSS) and delivered in collaboration with






SEE assists you to gain employment by strengthening your language, literacy, numeracy and digital skills

**see** skills for education and employment  
An Australian Government Initiative

learning for employment

**SEE is available in Laverton and Williamstown**

Contact [info@lcec.vic.edu.au](mailto:info@lcec.vic.edu.au) or 9369 2726 for more information about SEE



**Laverton Community Integrated Services Inc.**

The Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations. SEE is delivered in Laverton and Williamstown by Laverton Community Integrated Services on behalf of Learning for Employment.

**FREE!**  
At Joan Kirner House.



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**PELICANS BABY PLAYGROUP**



Friday mornings  
9.30am - 11.00am  
Bring a blanket!

Joan Kirner House  
14 Thompson Street Williamstown  
Enquiries: Sue 0409 301 257

**\$5**  
PER SESSION

**FREE!**  
At Spotswood Community House.



## MyTime Spotswood

### Why MyTime?

MyTime is for parents and carers of a child with a disability, chronic medical condition or other additional needs including developmental delay.

Unwind and share experiences with others who understand



**FIND US AT:**  
Spotswood Community House  
598 Melbourne Rd  
Friday Mornings, 10am - 12 noon

**CONTACT:**  
Loan Findlay - Facilitator  
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Phone: 0466 105 940



[mytime.net.au](http://mytime.net.au)

# WILLY ARGUING



EVERY ALTERNATE FRIDAY DURING THE SCHOOL TERM

2 SESSIONS OF WARHAMMER 40K

5:00 - 7:30 FOR KIDS

6:30 - 9:00 FOR GROWN-UPS

ENTRY \$13 (FIRST MEETING FREE)  
DOOR PRIZE EACH MEETING

WILLIAMSTOWN COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION CENTRE  
14 THOMPSON ST WILLIAMSTOWN

CONTACT MATT: 0438 054 740

## What's been happening?

Lynne and group cooking up a storm at Spotswood Community House.

Part of the **Rejuvenating Spotswood Community House** program, sponsored by **Melbourne Airport**.



A big thanks to Pamela Anderson, CEO of **EMILY's List Australia**, for their generous donation to our Food Relief program.

EMILY's List Australia



Big thanks also to Dr Gerard Zammit Director of the **HealthCare Foundation** and founder and Director of Medical Footcare.

Yet another generous donation in mid-January to our Food Relief and Pantry Swap initiatives.

A much needed abundance of toiletries.



## Manager's Musings

St Vincent de Paul in Newport is in desperate need of volunteers.

Due to a lack of volunteers, Vinnies in Newport have unfortunately had to cease donations at times.

This is where you can help. More hands-on deck means they can accept more donations.

If you have a few spare hours, contact Tracey on 03 9391 7090, register online or pop in for a chat.



Once again thanks to Community Bank, Altona and Laverton, Bendigo Bank, for supporting the many ineligible refugees and migrants to enrol in our English language classes.



See the range of new programs running in 2025 from our friends at South Kingsville Community Centre [HERE](#).



Thanks.

Mark.

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