

Newsletter June 2024

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

What's Coming Up?

 Wednesday June 5, 12, 19 and 26. FREE Willy Walking Group. From 10.15 am to 11.00 am, starting at Joan Kirner House. Sponsored by Mobil.



Wednesday June 5, 12, 19 and 26. FREE
 Community Morning Tea at Joan Kirner House, sponsored by Mobil, at 11.00 am.



Our **FAMOUS** Morning Tea spreads!



- Monday June 10. King's Birthday public holiday.
- June 17 to 23. Refugee Week.
- Wednesday June 19. FREE Refugee Week BBQ. At Joan Kirner House. 12.15 pm. Sponsored by Mobil. All welcome!
- Wednesday June 19. 11.00 am. IPC Health Care Finder Pop-Up. In Joan Kirner House foyer. Details below.
- Thursdays. 6.30 pm. West Side Paws. Joan Kirner House. Contact Jasmine 0422 189 525.
- Refugee #RefugeeWeek
- Thursdays 1.00 pm. Bone Boosters. Gentle exercise for the mature aged.
 Joan Kirner House. Gold coin donation. Call Tablia 03 9397 6168.
- westside P%WS

Health

- Friday June 28. End of term two.
- Saturday June 29 to Sunday July 14. Term break
- Monday July 15. Start of term three.

Cheap Community Rate Venue Hire.

Welcome to our venue hire service!

We have three unique spaces available for hire:

- Joan Kirner House in Williamstown, 14 Thompson St.
- Spotswood Community House, 598 Melbourne Rd.
- Altona North Community House, 7 Plover Drive.

Joan Kirner House offers larger meeting spaces, while Spotswood Community House is ideal for intimate small group meetings. Although modest, Altona North Community House offers excellent facilities in a prime location.

Our venues are available for ongoing bookings for art and craft groups, health and wellbeing classes, education classes, support and social groups, and counselling / consultation appointments.

Pricing information is available in the **Venue Hire Policy** on our website **HERE**















New!

FREE!

Limited time – Limited numbers.



Flower!

Free!

Floristry Workshop for beginners.

Eligibility: Pensioner Concession Card, Commonwealth Health Care Card, and Veterans' Gold Card only. Residents of Hobsons Bay only.

Supported by Hobsons Bay City Council







Join famous local professional floral designer Liza Rose for a complete transformative two-hour flower class.

All materials supplied!







At Joan Kirner House. 14 Thompson St. Williamstown.

One off workshops running through July and September.

Limited workshops – limited participant numbers – only one workshop per person.

Call Liza to make a booking on 0416 268 959.

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Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

The Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care is the ideal pathway to learn about planning, implementing and managing programs in the Children's services sector.

Our experienced trainers provide you with the skills, knowledge and practical experience, through

simulations, and practical placement, giving you the confidence you need to succeed in the Children's services sector!
This course is a full-time study load for Centrelink purposes



Course Details

Study 1 day per week 42 weeks plus 280 hours of practical



No tuition fees*

\$200 for enrolment and materials fees



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IPC Health **Care Finder Service**

IPC Health's Care Finder Service helps older people without close support find the right aged care services.

Finding services that help you live independently can be confusing, especially if you don't have anyone to help you. Our care finders will talk to you about your needs and support you throughout the whole process of accessing aged care services, including My Aged Care.

We can help you find services like:

· Shopping

- Transport
- Meal preparation
- · In home nursing or health care
- · Allied health
 - · Community or social activities

Want to learn more? Come and meet our care finders!

Our care finders will be at:

Joan Kirner House

14 Thompson Street, Williamstown 3016

Gardening and home maintenance

From 11am-12.30pm on:

- 17 April 2024
- · 22 May 2024
- · 19 June 2024
- 17 July 2024

You can also contact the IPC Health Care Finder Service on 1300 895 589 or at carefinders@ipchealth.com.au



FREE!

Wednesday June 19. Joan Kirner House foyer.

Wanted! Volunteers for Meals on Wheels.





Support your local community and join a great team of volunteers at Hobsons Bay City Council.

Delivered Meals - Meals on Wheels

Volunteer Drivers

Do you have 1-2.5 hours, one day a week to make a difference in an older residents' life? Our volunteers deliver nutritious three course meals to residents to assist them to live independently in their own homes. An important component of the service is the discreet monitoring of the client's wellbeing and surrounds to ensure their safety.

Deliveries are made Monday to Friday between 9am to 12 noon.

For more information about becoming a volunteer driver and get a copy of the position description please contact groupfoodservices@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au or phone 9932 4049.













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Tuesday July 16.

What's been happening?

Wednesday May 8.

Lynne, teachers, and students attend the **Senior Multicultural Australian's swimming program**.

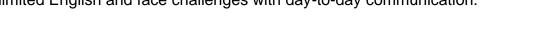




Monday May 13.

Year two and three students from **Newmark Primary School** in Williamstown visited one of our English Language Classes.

This program encourages students to develop empathy for people who have limited English and face challenges with day-to-day communication.





Janine, teacher from Newmark, with Jodie and her students pictured below.



Neighbourhood House Week.



Wednesday May 22.

National Volunteers Week BBQ, and Certificate presentations to our amazing and dedicated volunteers.













Friday May 24.

Hobsons Bay City Council Community Contributors Breakfast.

Our committee members, Veli Fikret, Treasurer, and Jonathon Grima, along with staff member Tahlia Kotiau attended this event, pictured below with Mayor Cr Matt Tyler, and Cr Diana Grima.











Zonta NewZ

Zonta Clubs across the globe undertake hands-on <u>service</u> projects, predominately in their own communities to support and empower girls and women. For instance, The Zonta Club of Melbourne's West provides two social justice awards at a local girl's school and supports women and their children seeking assistance because of family violence & homelessness through established services providing crisis care, refuge accommodation, etc. Currently, we donate day-to-day personal care products and "moving on" collections of new kitchen essentials (cutlery, crockery, tea-towels and much more) and some additional personal items.

In recent times, Zonta International has placed a greater emphasis on <u>advocacy</u>, with clubs coming together to lend a stronger voice to issues they support in order to increase awareness in the community. This time, it was decided to promote the UN World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) on June 15th. (https://elderabuseawarenessday.org.au/). WEAAD is celebrated annually, globally, providing an opportunity for communities to stand together against the abuse, mistreatment, and neglect of older people. Elder abuse comes in many forms: financial, emotional, psychological, physical, sexual, or social. Elder abuse can occur once, or many times and can vary from subtle through to extreme. Elder abuse is carried out by someone known to the older person, with two thirds of abusers being an adult child, although abusers can also be other family, relatives or friends. Significantly, a much higher number of those seeking help are women.

Participation in the WARM SAFE HOME Project (https://warmsafehome.org.au/) was a simple and fun way to be involved. Collaboration with Hobsons Bay City Council Libraries has resulted in displays and other awareness activities in and around 15th June. With guests from the Zonta Club of Geelong, ZC Melbourne's West members expressed their visions of a warm, safe home by decorating supplied templates with the aim of drawing attention to this often overlooked social issue.





Zonta Club of Melbourne's West meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 7 till 9 at Joan Kirner House and our objective is to "Build a Better World for Women & Girls". Why not come and meet us?

Enquiries: Faye, President 0411 607 995

https://www.zontamelbwest.org.au/



50th Anniversary – 'Peep into the Past'

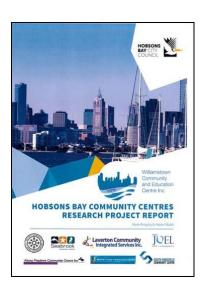


Some of our awards, achievements, recognitions, publications, and research in the past ten years.

















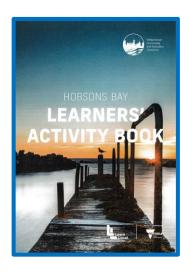














2019 HOBSONS BAY BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS FINALIST



2019 HOBSONS BAY BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS WINNER









Finalist!
Community Training Provider
of the Year Award
#VTA2020







Grant Applications: The winner!

The Williamstown Community and Education Centre for aiding in immigrants and asylum seekers who cannot afford/have no access to a government funded english language education.































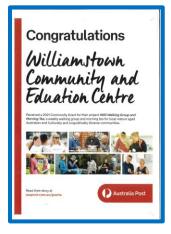










































Lock in the date! Our official 50th celebration will occur on –

Wednesday September 4, 2024. 11.00 am.

Including the premiere launch of our 50th Anniversary Documentary.

Followed by short one-minute reflections from attendees who would like to contribute.

Catering provided.

This is an open invitation. No need to RSVP. Everyone is welcome!

Manager's Musings

Our Annual General Meeting was conducted on Tuesday, May 7

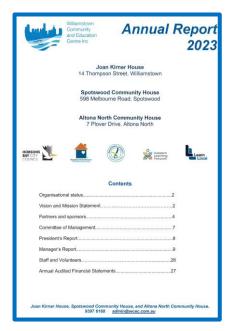
The Committee of Management remains unchanged -

- President Sonja Ilievska.
- Vice President and Secretary Lucienne Galea.
- Treasurer Veli Fikret.
- Member Jonathon Grima.
- Member Linelle Gibson.

Hard copies of 2023 Annual Report are available at reception in Joan Kirner House.

An electronic copy is available on our website **HERE**.

Finally, a big thanks to ExxonMobil Australia and Diane Bebic, Communications and Community Relations Specialist, who will be sponsoring and generously supporting our Community Morning Teas, Willy Walking Group, and BBQS for a whole year!





Thanks.

Mark.

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