

# Newsletter July 2020

# **Joan Kirner House and Spotswood Community House**

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

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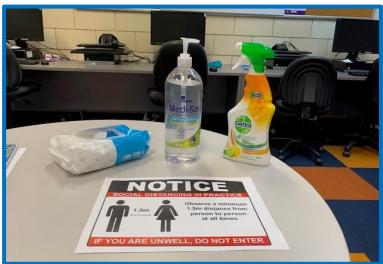


## Our 'New Normal'.













## **Coming Up...**

- Term Three starts Monday July 13.
- Willy Walking Group sponsored by Musculoskeletal Australia and the Australian Government. Wednesdays 10.15 am. July 15, 22 and 29.



## **Slowly building Back Up**





Skills for Education and Employment classes running, and the office back with staff.





The Be Connected 'Health My Way' Sessions have recommenced.







This project supports people to learn essential digital health literacy skills that are critical to ensuring every Australian has the ability to make informed, confident choices when it comes to supporting their health and wellbeing online.



Computer classes back!

Safe distancing, every second computer not used, eight students maximum for the classroom and instructions to sanitise mouse, keyboard, screen and headphones before and after class.

Note hand sanitiser and wipes on table as well as distance signage on notice boards.



Willy Wargaming up and running again on a Friday night.

Other programs that have been rescheduled to start at both Joan Kirner House and Spotswood Community house in term three include yoga classes, ACA meetings, Adam Turnbull Acting, several English language classes and Australian Boating College.

#### Gift of Art from Lumineer Academy

Thanks to Hillary, Hannah and students from Lumineer Academy on Nelson Place in Williamstown for their kind donation of artwork to our Centre and students.

This was part of a Civics Week project, where the children connected with communities to build relationships and contribute with a sense of purpose and meaning, developing their understanding of human interdependence, diversity and recognising themselves as active contributors to society.



#### **Managers musings**

With our venues now back up and running, in a reduced capacity, a reminder of some of our current, and continuing services

FREE Boomerang Bags – To take, use or donate.



- FREE Recharge Bar For a range of phones, iPads and personal devices.
- FREE Newspapers always available Herald Sun, Star Weekly, Westsider, etc.
- FREE Recharge Scheme For motorised scooters and wheelchairs.



- FREE WiFi For anyone to use.
- FREE Computer use Public internet access at Joan Kirner House.
- FREE Pink Box Dignity Vending Machine In the Disabled / Change Room toilets.



- FREE Produce Swap Come and collect extra vegetables and herbs locals have dropped off and bring in your own excess.
- Library Book Collection New books dropped off regularly from Hobsons Bay Libraries.
- FREE Book Swap Come in and grab your next read.
- FREE Seed Swap Drop off or pick up a wide range of seeds for your garden.
- DVD / CD Swap Big collection of DVDs and CDs, including ones for the kids.



- Oral care recycling Drop off old toothbrushes, toothpaste boxes and tubes, etc.
- Print cartridge recycle A Planet Ark initiative, for all types of printer cartridges.



- Photocopying service Black and white or colour. Very cheap rates.
- Coffee machine Only \$2.00.
- Venue hire At cheap community rates. Casual or ongoing. At both Williamstown and Spotswood. Wide range of rooms to suit a variety of purposes.
- Defibrillator Machine In the foyer of Joan Kirner House. Nice to Know just in case...



#### **Coronavirus Best Practice**

Thanks to everyone following our best practice guidelines while at our venues.

There are plenty of hand sanitisers and wipes at both venues in all rooms.

With the kitchens - A reminder to all that if you use the kitchens, even to make a tea or coffee, clean up after yourselves please?

Because - to make a cup of tea you have touched a drawer handle, spoon, cupboard handle, cup, hot water tap, fridge door, milk container, sugar container, tea container, lids etc.

Then there is the whole process of cleaning up.



So, use the wipes supplied beforehand, to protect you from others, then afterwards, to protect others from you.

It's the New Norm!!

Also, all staff have been asked to take Flu Shot and several staff, including all childcare staff, have had a Coronavirus check and completed the Department of Health Infection Control Training.

We won't be releasing a new brochure for semester two, as things are changing all the time. Our semester one brochure, which we will continue to use is **HERE**.

Hard copies are at both Spotswood Community House and Joan Kirner House.

Take care.

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