There was a great turn out at our Christmas Spectacular Event! It was a great day and morale was high with the team with carers and young people not being deterred by the weather. Even Santa was blown away by the spectacular thunder storm!

We’re so happy everyone had an amazing time and embraced the fun as we enjoyed the all rides, ice-skated, and had a ball at Santa’s village. Fairy floss, ice cream and hot dogs were the theme of the day! YUM!

Thanks to everybody who came along!

The second meeting of the Western NSW Out-of-Home Care (OOHC) & Mental Health Interagency is coming up very soon! This meeting will bring together organisations in Western NSW to work towards better mental health and wellbeing of young people in care and leaving care in the region.

Young Consultants from the area will sit in on discussions and help draft recommendations for FACS, about how to improve collaboration, communication and best practice in Western NSW.

If you’re in the area, stay tuned for two upcoming connection events and a community awareness day!
New Year, New Camp!

2019 has started with a high!

We’re not just talking about the flying fox, archery and rock climbing!

The Team got to meet some amazing Young People, who are now CREATE Young Consultants.

Through the high and lows and the warm and fuzzies both staff and young people built lasting relationships with each other!

Our Rock Stars took the opportunities to use our professional filming Crew to say what CREATE has meant to them over the years.

Thanks to everyone involved!

We want to say a huge thanks to Emily, the amazing young person participating in the Western Interagency Meeting!

Young Consultant Emily will tell her story and give her thoughts on: key factors that helped her on her journey, how to motivate, empower and support young people to use their voice, and what workers and organisations can do better and how.

We will also have a presentation and workshop from Batyr, an organisation dedicated to combatting the stigma around mental health through workshops at schools.
A Film Crew came to the CREATE office and we got the opportunity to film our fantastic and brilliant Young Consultants. The crew were blown away by how amazing our young people are! The young consultants got to experience the movie star lifestyle – so exhausting!

This was a great opportunity for our young people to speak about their Care experiences. The video will be seen by over 600 people at the TFM conference on 12th Feb 2019.

Our Young Consultants will speak at the Listen, Learn and Act workshop on day 2 of the conference.

YAGs are an informal anonymous group discussion that focuses on exploring the experience of young people in the care system. These discussions give young people a chance to voice their thoughts, advocate for themselves and create a positive change in the care system.

Plus, YAGs are always followed by a fun activity, like bowling or rock climbing, and food is always provided.

If you want to come along to meet some awesome people and help make the care system better, then check out the YAGs we have coming up on the back page of this Round Up!
If you would like to register for any of our events, find out the missing details or get information about CREATE head to our NSW page on www.create.org.au or contact us at 1800 655 105 or 9267 0977 or nsw@create.org.au

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