

## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Welcome to the edition 2 of your state round up and clubCREATE magazine.

CREATE hopes you and all your family and friends are keeping safe at this strange and unusual time for all. Coronavirus (COVID-19) has made the things we do at CREATE a little different during COVID-19.

We are running all our usual programs like SUP, YAGs and CYF via Zoom and other video call platforms with the strictest privacy for all our safety. Cath, Deb, Russ, Pat and Lydia have all come up with ideas and ways on how to deliver our programs and we hope you can join us for them.

Gus our friendly gorilla has been making videos to explain what CREATE are doing and what COVID-19 is to view these videos and other CREATE material head to the CREATE Foundation Facebook page.

As always, if you have any questions please contact us via email at [victoria@create.org.au](mailto:victoria@create.org.au) Stay well and keep washing those hands. Cath, Deb, Russ, Pat, Lydia, Jade, Matt and Rachel.

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## CREATE YOUR FUTURE IS BACK!

Deb has been working hard to come up with to connect and run CREATE Your Future and has a epic things planned.

Join us for Virtual CREATE your future sessions with Deb.

CREATE your future is an awesome program focusing on important skills for independent living.

Everyone that completes a workshop will receive a \$25 voucher and a certificate.

Sessions will be running monthly first one starting April 28 at 4.30.

Call or Email Deb on

[deborah.watson@create.org.au](mailto:deborah.watson@create.org.au) or 0435735510 for further details and how to register your interest.

PS: Here is Deb working from home.



# CREATE YOUTH ADVISORY GROUPS

YAGs are still happening and we will love to hear from you. Our YAGs are where young people come together and we have a conversation around out-of-home care. Sadly, we can't hold our YAGs face to face so these will be via Zoom conference calls. Each month you join us, you'll receive a \$25 voucher per month and dinner delivered straight to your house each time you join us

Keep an eye out in your email inbox as we will be sending out updates regularly on when these are happening.

## WELCOME BACK TO CREATE JADE!!

**What's it like been back in a different way to previously?**

Thanks for the welcome, I've missed everybody! So I guess a lot has happened since I last worked for CREATE, although I've been working with lots of people from CREATE most of the time still. There's a lot of positive changes that young people have calling for for ages so it's great to see that stuff coming in to action like the Home Stretch and Better Futures in Victoria.

**What's something funny about yourself?**

Ummm. I dunno. I guess I'm funny when I play sport cos I'm super competitive and very uncoordinated.



I'm basically a danger to myself and others on the sporting field.

**If you had to pick one treat will it be ice cream or chocolate?**

I think that's a mood thing, isn't it? Plus, who says I can't have chocolate covered ice-cream?! Hmm. I think I need one of them right now actually... Good idea!



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# SPEAK UP (SUP)

Do you want to use your voice and Speak Up? CREATE's leadership program SUP is looking for new Young Consultants.

Join CREATE and other new CREATE members for Speak Up Online.

Speak Up (SUP) is CREATE'S youth empowerment program. As a young person with a care experience, you have expert first hand knowledge about what the care system. And I bet you have ideas about how to make it better.

In SUP you will learn how to use your experience to Speak Up about what needs to change. It is fun, free, you will meet new people (over Zoom) and we will even send you free food and a \$25 gift card. And doing SUP means you can be a CREATE Young Consultant, and have opportunities like doing consultations, helping run event, and even public speaking.

Call on 9918 0003 to register.

# THE TEAM SAYING HI FROM ISOLATION!



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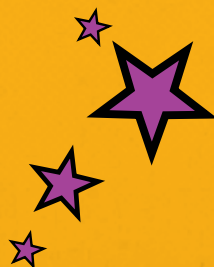
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## ONLINE EVENTS...

Because of COVID-19, we had to put our face-to-face events on hold! But don't worry, we've been doing some really cool things (and having lots of fun) online using programs like Zoom instead!

To find out what online events we've got coming up, call us on 03 9918 0002, 0421975539 or email [victoria@create.org.au](mailto:victoria@create.org.au)!



## GET IN CONTACT

If you would like to register for any of our events, find out the missing details or get information about CREATE head to our VIC page on

[www.create.org.au](http://www.create.org.au) or contact us at **1800 655 105** or **03 9918 0002** or [victoria@create.org.au](mailto:victoria@create.org.au)

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