

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Welcome to CREATE's
September Round Up for the NT!

The team are happy to be back in the office following restrictions during COVID-19 and the new team are settling in, getting to know our members. While we've had the chance we have held as many events and programs as we could through the July school holidays. We're excited to say that we have a whole new group of Young Consultants who completed Speak Up levels 1, 2 and 3 who will be able to advocate for children and young people in care.

At this time we would have usually had our NAIDOC celebration. This has been postponed until November so keep your eye on our Facebook page for updates.

Check out our Events Calendar and know that if we have to go into isolation again, we'll still connect with you all by phone and Zoom, and continue to ensure that children and young people in care have a voice.



DARWIN SIBLING CONNECTION EVENT

Our sibling connection event, "Burgers and Snags for Brothers and Sisters", was held at Leanyer Water Park in July. It was a fantastic day for all with swimming, water slides, bbq lunch, fun, friends and family! With such a great turnout, this connection event was also an awesome opportunity for the new Darwin staff to meet many of our wonderful ClubCREATE members.

Connection events are free for all children and young people with a care experience, plus carers, family members and anyone else you live with. They are a great way to meet others who are in care or to catch up with siblings who are not living with you. Keep an eye out for information about our next connection event. We would love to see you all there!

YOU ROCK - JESSICA -

Young Consultant, Jessica Nelson, who completed Speak Up earlier this year – YOU ROCK!

Jessica has used her advocacy training to have her say in keeping the Auslan services in the Northern Territory after they closed on the 30th of June. As a result of Jessica's great advocacy work, the services are set to come back to support the deaf community of the NT.

As Jessica herself has a hearing impairment, this is a big win. It goes to show that everyone can CREATE change and have a big impact!!



SPEAK UP

During the July school holidays, CREATE ran SUP levels 1, 2 & 3 in Darwin. The Speak Up Program (SUP) is for young people aged 14-25 who want to be a CREATE Young Consultant or learn about advocacy. SUP will teach you about advocacy, grow your leadership skills, build your confidence, and will have opportunities to have your voice heard to make changes you want to see within the care system! Congratulations to all of our new Young Consultants!!!

YAG-CASUARINA YOUTH POOL PARTY

CREATE Darwin held a Youth Advisory Group (YAG) recently at the Casuarina Youth Pool Party, where we got to enjoy ping pong, volleyball, basketball, circus skills, slip and slide and more! YAGs provide young people, aged 10-25, with a chance to meet with other young people in care, make new friends and chat about your experiences or any issues you are facing within the care system.

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FAREWELL MICHELE!

Michele was only with CREATE in Alice Springs for three months and, during that time, she connected with young people online holding Youth Advisory Groups during COVID-19. Since restrictions have eased she has participated in two events in Alice, holding a drumming workshop with YMCA, and provided an art activity at the Get Out Youth Festival on ANZAC Oval. She was also really happy to be able to hold a Youth Advisory Group

face to face and meet the young people she had connected with by phone and Zoom. Michele's enthusiasm will be missed, but watch this space to see who our new Senior Community Facilitator is!



CREATE YOUR FUTURE

In mid-July, CREATE in Darwin held one of our CREATE Your Future workshops. The Great Race 4 Life was a very busy, full on, and useful day for participants.

We ran around our city in teams and found out how different services can help young people when they leave care and become independent. Along the way, teams completed challenges to win prizes.



We went to places like Danila Dilba, Mission Australia's Housing Program for Young People in Care and Anglicare NT's Moving On Program.

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HAVE YOU MOVED HOUSE OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER? LET US KNOW!

We love to keep in touch with all our clubCREATE members and to do this we need to have the right contacts for you. If you move house or change phone number or email let us know so we can keep you up to date with all things CREATE!

EVENTS CALENDAR *COMING SOON!*



DATE	WHERE	WHEN
Sat 12 Sept	Connection Event	Darwin & Alice Springs (TBC)
Fri 18 Sept	Youth Advisory Group	Darwin & Alice Springs
Tues 29 Sept	Speak Up Level 1	Darwin & Alice Springs
Wed 30 Sept	Speak Up Level 2	Darwin & Alice Springs
Thurs 1st Oct	Speak Up Level 3	Darwin & Alice Springs
Thurs 8th Oct	CREATE Your Future - The Great Race!	Darwin & Alice Springs
Sat 17th Oct	Youth Advisory Group	Darwin & Alice Springs
October (TBC)	Round Table	Darwin & Alice Springs
Fri 20th Nov	Youth Advisory Group	Darwin & Alice Springs
Sat 5th Dec	Christmas Youth Advisory Group (10-14)	Darwin & Alice Springs

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 **CREATE NT** page on www.create.org.au or contact us at **1800 655 105** or **Darwin on 8945 9993** or **Alice Springs 8921 4208** or nt@create.org.au



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