

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING? ?

Woweee what an amazing few months it's been since our last Round Up!

We've had parties, presentations and even glow-in-the-dark mini-golf!

A definite highlight for Bridget was feeding the giraffes at Perth Zoo.

In this Round Up you'll read more about what opportunities our clubCREATE members and Young Consultants have had. If you would like to get involved in more of our activities, just contact us by phone, email or Facebook!

Thanks for reading and don't forget to check out the calendar to see which events you'd like to come along to!



★★★★★ INFLATABLE WORLD

In May the CREATE team headed to Mandurah for our Connection event at Inflatable World!

There was:

- Inflatable slides
- Inflatable battles
- Beach volleyball
- Carer get-to-know-you games
- Human bingo
- Popsicle stick superheroes
- And lots and lots of snacks! Yummeeeee!

Everyone had a great time and it was awesome seeing both familiar faces and newbies to CREATE. Also, a HUGE thank you to our Young Consultants, Ricki and Rowan, who helped us heaps!

Connection events are open to 0-25 year olds, their carers and other children in the household. Our next one is in August. Contact Leigh if you're interested in coming along.



SPEAKING OPPORTUNITIES



CREATE's Young Consultants (YCs) have had loads of opportunities recently which has been awesome!

YCs Andre, Chris and Katy-Leigh all spoke at the Foster Carer Conference in Scarborough. They spoke about their unique experiences in foster care as part of the panel in front of nearly 400 audience members – woweee!

Kym has also been leading Case Worker training workshops. YCs Abbie and Bree spoke at our most recent workshops and they did a superb job! Well done girlsies!

YC Leanne also spoke at our visit to Yorganop, an Aboriginal foster carer agency whom we work with often. Lovely speech Leanne – great job!

If you'd like to give a presentation about your experiences, you can become a CREATE Young Consultant at our upcoming Speak Up leadership training in October school holidays.

What can you do with each level?

Level 1 – help out at Connection events like Inflatable World

Level 2 – be on panel discussions and have speaking opportunities

Level 3 – co-facilitate YAGs and have media opportunities

YC opportunities are amazing ways to improve your confidence, practice public speaking and they look great on your resume! To find out more, contact Kym.



YC DINNER

To say a big thank you to our dedicated Young Consultants, we went to Grill'd for a celebratory dinner. There were sliders, games and speeches and everyone had a wicked time!

Everyone spoke about their recent opportunities as a YC and what they'd like CREATE to do in the future.

YCs also had the chance to say goodbye to our lovely State Coordinator, Sarah. She's moving onto a new role, but don't worry, she's still working with children and young people in out-of-home-care!

In the next Round Up, you'll hear about more

Young Consultant opportunities and you'll also meet our new State Coordinator – exciting!!



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INTRODUCING...

LEIGH THE PRO!

She's our Community Facilitator who's worked in the WA team the longest which makes her the expert of all things CREATE.



Leigh's main focus is Connection Events so you'll see her managing our family fun days.

If you have any great ideas for our next few Connection events, pass on your ideas to Leigh!

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CREATE YOUR FUTURE SELFHOOD WORKSHOP

These past July school holidays the CREATE team led a life skills workshop called Selfhood. It was a fun-filled day of activities exploring identity and what makes us unique. We looked at challenges and how we can overcome them and we also set ourselves goals for the future.

It was a great day and after the workshop we all went to Latitude to immediately practice overcoming challenges - completing the Skywalk and jumping off the tower! It was awesome!

Our next Selfhood workshop will be in Geraldton. Contact Bridget for more info!

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YAGS YAGS

Youth Advisory Groups are chats about the care system followed by a fun activity. They're a fantastic opportunity to have your say, meet other young people and hang out.

In May we had our YAG exclusively for under 18s in Merriwa, northern suburbs of Perth. We had a chat about family contact and then we played glow-in-the-dark mini-golf! It was pretty cool!



At the beginning of June we had an over 18s YAG with a cooking class! We split into groups and cooked a three-course meal together! Afterwards there were mug cakes but they didn't work out so well - oh dear!

At the end of June there was our celebration YAG. We chatted about celebrations and reflections from the first half of 2021 before heading to the zoo and feeding the giraffes!

For NAIDOC week we had an online YAG. Andre, the Young Consultant, invented and prepped the cultural gameshow quiz and led our discussion about Connection to Culture.

Our next YAG will be online too and it will be open to all young people across WA. If you'd like to come along, contact Bridget

EVENTS CALENDAR *COMING SOON!*

DATE	WHAT	WHERE	AGES	CONTACT
August	Consultation. Get a \$25 voucher for taking part!	On the phone	15-25	Bridget & Kym
3 August	YAG about access to services	Online	12-25	Bridget
13 August	Winter Wonderland Connection	Perth Metro	0-25	Leigh
3 Sept	Youth Advisory Group and FREE fun activity!	Geraldton	12-25	Bridget
4 Sept	Create Your Future – Selfhood workshop	Geraldton	15-25	Bridget
29 Sept	Future Fest!!	Perth Metro	TBC	Kym
October school holidays	Speak Up – all levels!	Perth Metro	14-25	Kym

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 WA page on www.create.org.au or contact us at 1800 655 105 or (08) 6336 9726 or wa@create.org.au



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