



Alumni e-Newsletter

What's on in Wyndham:

Saltwater Youth Artz Fest: Sunday 5th June 2016, 12pm to 4pm, Saltwater Community Centre (Point Cook).

FREE EVENT that will provide engaging activities for young people, focussing on arts and culture and creating positive images of young people. Food and entertainment provided on the day.

http://www.experiencewyndham.com.au/whatson/youth_artz_fest

Wild Nights at the Zoo: Saturday, 25 June 2016 - Saturday, 9 July 2016, 5:30pm to 8:30pm, Werribee Zoo.

A winter tradition offering a range of activities, including late-night animal spotting! For ticket costs please visit

http://www.experiencewyndham.com.au/whatson/wild_nights_at_the_zoo

Wyndham News:

Victorian Government announces \$10.9 billion Metro Tunnel: Two new nine kilometre tunnels will be built to help ease congestion by freeing up Melbourne's whole rail network. The project is set to create for 39,000 more passengers during peak period, and will increase train services on the Werribee line.

<http://www.news.com.au/finance/economy/australian-economy/metro-tunnel-to-transform-melbourne/news-story/eb4603c638a16cf585fd0fa5fbbd8a26>

Wyndham Volunteer & Community Group Training 2016:

Wyndham City Council currently offers free training sessions on a range of topics, from fundraising to grant writing. Free to Wyndham residents, volunteers and community organisations.

Upcoming sessions include:

- Grant Information Session (8th June)
- Starting a Community Organisation (9th June)
- Working Together – Mergers, MOU's and more (14th June)
- Getting Your Head Around the Financial Reports (14th July)
- Grant Writing Session (18th July)

Please visit www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteering and click on the 'Learning Zone' to register for sessions.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Gateway Community Services:

Gateway is a not-for-profit organisation operating in the Western suburbs of Melbourne, offering programs and services that support and enrich the lives of people within the community. Check out their Volunteer Notice Board for volunteering opportunities at the following link:

<http://www.gatewaycommunityservices.org.au/#/volunteer-at-gateway/cyoo>

Wyndham's Volunteer Directory:

Wyndham City Council has developed a Volunteer Directory, which can be used to search for new volunteer positions in other not-for-profit organisations, in a range of interest areas. Click the following link to search for opportunities

http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/residents/community/volunteeringinwyndham/volunteer_directory/volunteer_directory_link/directory

General Opportunities:

Kids Undercover Scholarship Applications: This scholarship program aims to help people who have the passion and motivation to continue education, but who do not have the resources. Applications are open to 15-25 year olds who undertake secondary schooling, TAFE, university and job training. For more information and to apply, please visit

<https://www.kuc.org.au/what-we-do/how-we-help/scholarship-programs/>

Useful Links

Wyndham News April-May 2016:

https://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/publicmedia/wyndhamnews/2016_wyndham_news/aprilmay

Important Dates:

Building Blocks Generalist Program Graduation Ceremony: Thursday 30th June, 2016. Wyndham City Council Civic Centre Functions Area. 6pm – 9:30pm. Graduands will receive an invitation to the event in early June.

More Interesting Events/Activities:

Are you paying too much for your gas and electricity?

Come along to an information session held by an independent energy advisor from Kildonan Uniting Care for some free advice to help you understand your utility bills and stay warm for winter!

When: Wednesday 1st June, 2016

Time: 1:00pm – 2pm

Where: Room 1 – Wyndham Park Community Centre, 55-57 Kookaburra Avenue, Werribee

Bring: Your latest gas and/or electricity bill

To register or for further details contact Karolina Kubiak – Sustainability Projects Officer, Wyndham City on 9742 0777 or email:

Karolina.Kubiak@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Men *without* a Shed bi-monthly social gatherings:

Men without a Shed host a number of social gatherings for men at the Social Get Together Community Room, at Wyndham Vale Community Learning Centre from 5pm – 7pm bi-monthly. Please email wyndhamvalesocialgroup@gmail.com for meeting dates.

Men *without* a Shed 'Living Retirement' event:

Learn how to be active, and look after your family and friends. There will be representatives from Beyond Blue, ISIS Primary Care, Sons of the West, University of the Third Age and Wyndham City Council.

When: 10th June, 2016

Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Where: Wyndham Vale Community Learning Centre

Contact 0475257650 for more information.

Enterprising Tarneit - Business Start-Up Intensive:

Want to make money from your passion? Got an idea for a small business? Want to work for yourself or set up a home based business? Need support to develop your idea? The Enterprising Tarneit Business Start-Up Intensive could be for you! Up to 16 Tarneit locals will be offered the opportunity to gain business skills, knowledge and networks. You will be matched with a mentor and learn about how to bring your business to life.

As places are limited, please call or email Sofiah to discuss your idea on 0408 106 424, smackay@cmv.net.au.

When: Weekly skills sessions from July – October, 2016.

For more information, please visit cmv.net.au/enterprising-tarneit

Applications close Monday 6th June, 2016.



Graduation Ceremony
February, 2016

Facts:

So far, 88 Building Blocks community projects have been completed, or are currently being completed.

Projects for the Generalist Program are currently in the planning phase.

