

JULY 2023

IN THE HOUSE

Ross House Association Member and Tenant News



RHA COMMITTEE 2023

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Member)

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(Appointed Member RHA Staff)

Michael Griffiths (Ex-Officio,
RHA CEO)

The Chairperson of Ross House

FROM THE ROSS HOUSE CEO

At the RHA AGM in November this year, Ross House's Chairperson, Christine McAuslan, will step down after 6-years in the role, having been Deputy Chairpersons for 4-years prior. Christine has steered Ross House through both periods of stability and high demand, as well as times of uncertainty and heightened risk during the global pandemic. The job hasn't always been easy, but through it we've developed a close working friendship over the years and Christine deserves a well-earned break and recognition for what has been achieved these last 10-years.

What this means however, is that the Association needs both a Chairperson and a Deputy Chairperson to stand at the RHA AGM in November. It is not required, however ideally the governance roles of the Association come from existing members of the Committee of Management to allow for continuity. There are still 4-months to go before elections, so if you are interested in standing for either the Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson roles this year or want to know more about the role of the Committee, please contact CEO Michael Griffiths (michael.griffiths@rosshouse.org.au) for more information.

The Committee currently meet every second month from February to December. There will also be governance training for committee members in August, with some places available to the wider membership. We look forward to hearing from you.

Michael Griffiths
CEO



Ross House Association acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and the traditional owners of the land on which Ross House is located. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.



Reflections by the RHA Chairperson

BY CHRISTINE MCAUSLAN



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Lotus Group Projects!

DRC Event

Update from ERA



Included in the last newsletter was a shout out for additional members for our Community Development Sub-Committee. We had one very welcome response and are looking forward to welcoming the new member at the next meeting. We would be appreciative of any other interest in becoming involved in this, and other Sub-Committees.

Ross House, as we all know, is a rather unique place based on an equally unique model. To maintain this model, it is required for nominated member representatives to form the Committee that manages Ross House. It is imperative that numbers of participants on the committee are maintained or are increased at each Annual General Meeting. This equates to opportunity for more opinions, ideas and debate in making the decisions the Committee is required to do, to both maintain and future-proof Ross House.

No matter how experienced you may be on Committees, or whether you have never participated on one, being on the Ross House Committee is a great opportunity to gain knowledge and skills and to get a real insight into what is required to keep Ross House sustainable. This includes gaining insight to financial, operational, administration and accountability requirements.

The Committee is bound by legalities such as mandatory rules, regulations and reporting requirements, just like other incorporated not-for-profits. That, however, does not mean that we cannot operate within our stated philosophy and aims.

Our CEO Michael Griffiths has organised some governance training for early August. There will be a limited number of additional spaces beyond current Committee members' participation. If you are interested in taking part or wish to know more, please contact Michael Griffiths at michael.griffiths@rosshouse.org.au.

RHA Chairperson,
Christine McAuslan.



Building and Maintenance

FROM THE ROSS HOUSE TEAM

There is always a lot going on in this big old building of ours, so please make sure you keep an eye out for the building maintenance emails that circulate regularly.

Current and completed works:

- We've made changes to our floor level doors in regard to access.

During Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, floor level doors can be opened by following 4 methods:

- Press the disabled button.
- Using a security swipe.
- Enter with a Four-Digit Access Code.
- Or by pulling the door handle towards you, the lock will release - this is for visitors or for people who prefer this type of access.

Outside of the above time, access can only be gained by;

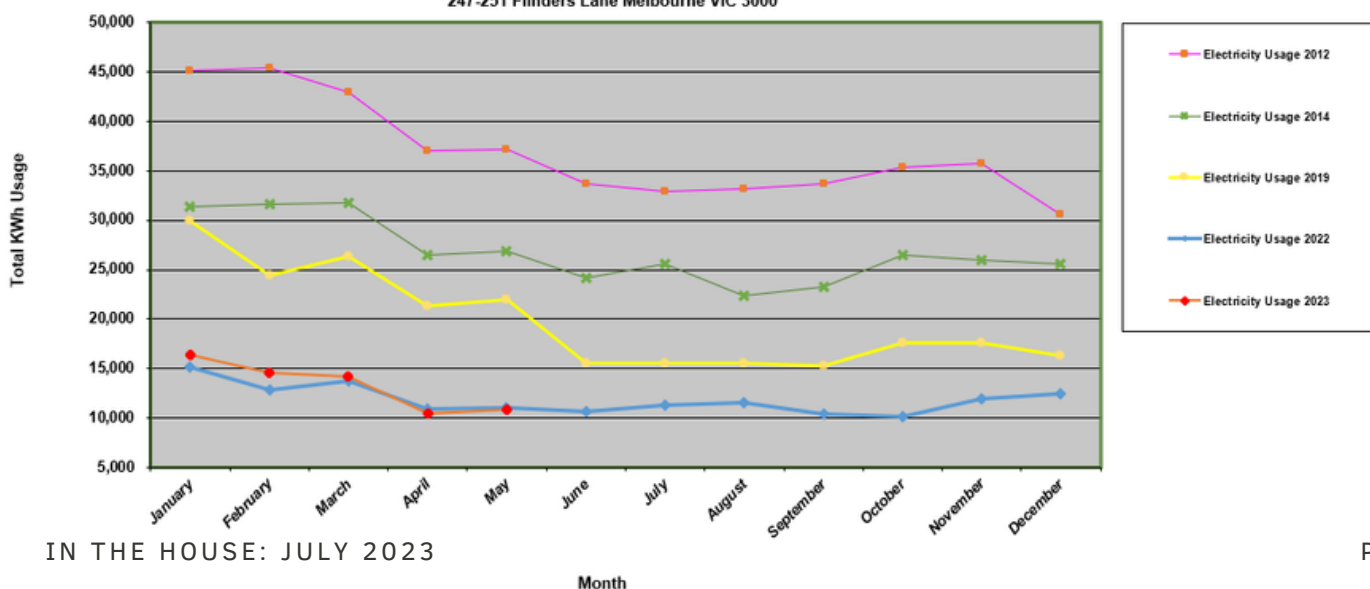
- Using a security swipe.
- Or, by entering with a Four-Digit Access Code.

- Room 1.2 has a new TV! All of our Meeting Rooms now have AV facilities.

Ross House Association continues to make incredible energy savings as a result of sustainability works to the building, behaviour change and continued commitment from the entire Ross House community.



Electricity Comparison From 2012 to 2023
Ross House
247-251 Flinders Lane Melbourne VIC 3000





Melbourne Metro Rail Update

FROM THE ROSS HOUSE TEAM

These are the planned and current works for the Melbourne Metro Rail Project:

Construction works within the Town Hall Station precinct during July include:

- structures and lining works within the central cavern and rail tunnels
- station entrance structure construction within the Flinders Quarter site
- building renovation and connection construction within Campbell Arcade
- lift installation works within the Degraves Subway at Flinders Street Station
- platform screen doors installation across the central cavern
- station build out works at City Square
- reinstatement works on Flinders Street, requiring a northern footpath closure at the Flinders Quarter site entrance.

Construction of the Oversight Development (OSD) has been pushed back one year and is now expected to commence in November 2023, completed by 2026. The station will operate whilst the OSD is being constructed.

If you have something you would like to contribute to the next RHA Newsletter, please email Katie or Carol at rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au



Friendly Reminders!

FROM ROSSHOUSE

- Please turn lights off if you are the last to leave your floor or office.
- Please close meeting room doors when you exit.
- If you need any AV training, please contact the Front Desk to book this in at least a fortnight before your booking.
- We are still on the lookout for our lost Logitech conferencing camera. If you happen upon it please contact the Front Desk!
- Please keep communal spaces, including kitchens, clean and tidy for use by others.

Equipment User Guides

We have been developing a series of AV and equipment guides to assist you in using the Ross House Facilities. Find them on our website at rosshouse.org.au/facilities/ross-house-user-guides/

For questions, please contact the Front Desk on 03 9650 1599 or at rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au



Grants and Assistance Programs

BY ROSSHOUSE

These are some of the grants and assistance programs currently available that we think look good.

Sisters of Charity Foundation Community Grants Program

This grant supports organisations who are working towards fighting poverty, loneliness, suffering and oppression in their community. It is aimed at helping groups who make a huge difference to those in need but struggle to find funding through other avenues. They work closely with successful applicants and their organisation to understand exactly what is needed, so they can ensure successful applicants receive the best quality outcomes.

What will be funded?

If your organisation provides compassion, hope and practical assistance to those in need, then you may be eligible for financial support from the Sisters of Charity Foundation.

Eligibility: Not-for-profits, DGR Status is Required.

The round opens on 8th July 2023 and closes on 31st July 2023
Funding of up to \$15,000 is available.

For further information, please visit
<https://www.nab.com.au/about-us/sustainability/nab-foundation/community-grants>.

Creative Victoria Creative Ventures Program - Deaf and Disabled creative entities stream

Two years of funding to a diverse cohort of Victorian creative entities (i.e. micro to small creative organisations/businesses and collectives) that reflect contemporary ways of working across the creative industries.

Who can apply?

Creative industries, including but not limited to screen, digital games, design, fashion, visual arts/craft, literature, contemporary dance/physical performance, circus, cabaret, music, sound art, theatre, multidisciplinary and cross-industries/cross-communities collaborations.

Eligibility: Not-for-profits, Individuals, Businesses, Unincorporated Groups - from micro or small creative organisations/businesses that have no more than ten full-time equivalent staff, or collectives of no more than ten.
The round is open and closes on 20th July 2023.

Funding of \$70,000 - \$100,000 is available.

For further information, please visit
<https://creative.vic.gov.au/funding-opportunities/find-a-funding-opportunity/creative-ventures-program>.



Melbourne Awards 2023 - Access and Inclusion Category

Melbourne prides itself on being a city for everyone and places great importance on the contribution made by people living with a disability, and all who are committed to reducing barriers to access and participation.

This award recognises projects and initiatives that have significantly reduced access and participation barriers. This might be achieved through advocacy and education, an event or program that promotes inclusion or a project that improves access or social connection.

The City of Melbourne, in line with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, recognises the definition of disability as including long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments that, in interaction with various attitudinal and environmental barriers, may hinder a person's right to full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others. Find more information below:

<https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/about-melbourne/celebrating-melbourne/melbourne-awards/Pages/melbourne-awards-categories.aspx>

ROSS HOUSE ASSOCIATION INVITES YOU TO A

WINTER WARMER



Join us for soup and hearty finger food on
Wednesday 26th July 2023
Hayden Raysmith Room
11:30am - 1pm

RSVP by Wednesday 12th July 2023 with
any dietary requirements -
rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au

There will also be an informal open mic
opportunity for you to chat about what your
organisation has been up to!



Tenant Feature:

Reinforce

BY REINFORCE
ROOM 2.12

Reinforce is a self-advocacy organisation for people with an intellectual disability. Reinforce was started in 1981 and we are the longest running self-advocacy group in Victoria!

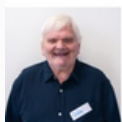
Here are some things we do:

- We speak up about rights! We share our ideas and stories to help make the world a better place. We speak at conferences, schools and universities!
- We run training about self-advocacy and human rights.
- We do research and create Easy Read information for people with intellectual disability.
- We give a lot of advice to Government and disability services. We also sit on boards and advisory groups!
- We have fun! We have a lot of activities and meet-ups for members!

Who runs Reinforce?

Reinforce is run by members! This means we are run by people with intellectual disability. We have a Committee of Management that makes all the big decisions. Every person on the Committee of Management is an experienced self-advocate with intellectual disability.

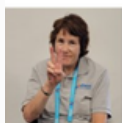
Reinforce Committee of Management 2023



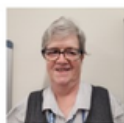
Colin Hiscoe
President



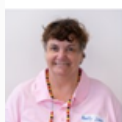
John Slattery
Vice President



Janice Slattery
Secretary



Amanda Millear
Treasurer



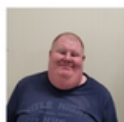
Jane Rosengrave
Assistant
Treasurer



James Teeken
Assistant
Secretary



Sally Heggaton



Matt Dempsey



What's currently happening at Reinforce?

As part of the ILC Project - Information, Linkages and Capacity Building, Reinforce has been fortunate to employ three new staff members. Moreover, Reinforce has set up valuable training and workshops across Victoria as part of this project.

Training and Workshops

All our training workshops are run by expert self-advocates! Our trainers are people with intellectual disabilities who have a lot of knowledge and a lot of experience in speaking up!

We offer 3 types of training workshops:

- How to be a Strong Advocate
- My Life, I Decide
- Staff Training

All the workshops are for people with an intellectual disability.

Monthly Morning Teas

Reinforce also holds a Monthly Drop-in event at Ross House where new and existing self-advocates can come together, make new friends, and share morning tea.

To find out more information, please visit www.reinforce.org.au.

*If you would like your RHA
member or tenant organisation
to feature here, please email
rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au*



**Everyone
welcome!**



Monday Monthly Drop-In

What: Afternoon tea, catch up with friends,
meet new people



Where:
4th floor, Ross House
247 Flinders Lane,
Melbourne



When:
Monday 10 July
1.00pm-3.00pm

**For details contact Reinforce
03 96507855 or email
info@reinforce.org.au**



AWABE Project

BY ASSISI
AIDS PROJECTS

Batuli Bohara is a 47 year old woman living in Chhumchaur Village in Jumla, one of the most remote and underdeveloped districts of Nepal. Almost half of Jumla's population lives below the poverty line, and the area is characterised by widespread unemployment, low levels of education, and food scarcity.

Our partner BPW Nepal is running our AWABE project in Jumla and Nuwakot, which seeks to help women such as Batuli Bohara through their engagement in building economically viable and sustainable women's agroforestry-based business enterprises, contributing to gender equality and growth of the local economy.

With the support of the project, Batuli Bohara has now started farming commercially Marsi rice, a rare variety of indigenous Himalayan red rice which only grows in Jumla's high altitudes.



Since participating in the project, she has also become the leader of the 'Kali Marsi Rice Production Group' in the village, which has 23 members. Under her leadership, other women community members are showing interest in joining the group and receiving project support for commercial farming. As part of the project, awareness and advocacy workshops, for local government agencies and local women farmers, have led to the women's voices being heard, and local government support for Marsi rice farming.

Batuli Bohara says "I'm satisfied by the response of society for the initiative taken for Marsi rice production and promotion activities with the support of the project".

Image descriptions: Bottom left, Batuli Bohara is sat cross-legged touching rice on the ground. Top Right, Batuli Bohara is standing in colourful dress, looking at the camera.

www.assisi.org.au

Assisi Aid Projects is a small international development organisation with a strong focus on women – empowering women to create positive change in their own lives, in their children's lives, and in their communities.



IDAHOBIT Day – Ross House Member and Tenant Event

BY ROSS HOUSE
ASSOCIATION

Wednesday 17th May 2023 was IDAHOBIT Day - International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia, Transphobia, a day to raise awareness of the ongoing discrimination that persists against LGBTQIA+ communities.

RHA would like to thank all of our wonderful Members and Tenants who attended the event - it was wonderful to see everyone come together in the Ross House Foyer for a morning tea and stand in solidarity against discrimination!

A special thanks also to Cameron Bloomfield of Rainbow Rights for being our guest speaker and representing the LGBTQIA+ community, thank you Cam!

Rainbow Rights is a self-advocacy group run by and for people with an intellectual disability in the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTIQA+) community.

www.rainbowrights.com.au



Image description: Ross House Members and Tenants raising their hands in the air whilst gathering around a Progress Pride Flag.



STAY CONNECTED AND SIGN UP TO THE WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

Ross House produces a weekly e-bulletin that highlights upcoming workshops and webinars for NFP organisations, and member and tenant events.

Sign up on the homepage of our website at rosshouse.org.au (scroll to the bottom of the home page) or by [clicking here](#).

View previous publications by visiting our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/rosshouseassociation/ and following the links!

Blind Citizen's Australia's Online Workshop

BY BCA

Join our online workshop 'Optimising the Hiring Process' to learn more about what hiring organisations can do to run equitable and inclusive employment processes.

Learn more about how to structure accessible advertisements, assessing key criteria as well as asking the right questions and how to get the best out of your applicants.

Where? Online

When? Wednesday 5th July 2023, 10am - 11am

There is no charge to attend this workshop, but you need to register online by Monday 3rd July 2023 at <https://events.humanitix.com/optimising-the-hiring-process>.

If you would like more information on the workshop, please call Tim Davey or Madison Braim at Blind Citizens Australia on 1800 033 660 or email bca@bca.org

For further information, please visit www.bca.org.au.

Image Description: Decorated purple and white graphic containing the BCA and Eye to the Future logos and text that summarises the information above.



Optimising the hiring process

A free online workshop for businesses

When: Wednesday 5th July 2023 at 10:00 am – 11:00 am AEST

- What hiring organisations can do to run equitable and inclusive employment processes.
- How to structure accessible advertisements and assess the key criteria all participants need to succeed
- Register online by Monday 3rd July at <https://events.humanitix.com/optimising-the-hiring-process>

Humanists Australia Update

Humanists Australia (HA) joined RHA in 2020. We're a new national organisation working towards a future where every Australian knows what humanism is, and has the choice to join a supportive inclusive humanist community.

We're now piloting a few communities, including one in Central Melbourne (Naarm). It runs events based on exploring thought-stimulating sites in Melbourne, followed by a casual discussion of what we've seen - or just life in general.

On July 9th we'll visit ACMI in Federation Square. Past and future events can be found on our Meetup group. Our attendees span across age, gender and cultural backgrounds. Many are fairly new to Melbourne, and sometimes to Australia, and want to meet like minded friends in their new location. We do hope attendees will learn about humanism as a worldview option, but we're also happy just to help combat isolation or loneliness and to show off some of our favourite parts of Melbourne.

HA is pleased to be a part of the Ross House Association, and we look forward to meeting other members. We're also looking to increase the size and diversity of our board so if you have untapped energy and interest, please contact our Chair, Mary-Anne Cosgrove.

www.humanistsaustralia.org



Tenant and Member Information Call Out!



A huge thank you to everyone who has completed the below form regarding updating your organisation information!

We are requesting this update so we can better communicate with you and also provide the most up-to-date information to service users via our website.

If you haven't already provided your updated contact and public organisation information, please do so via the following links:

Tenants:

<https://form.jotform.com/rosshouse/tenantinfo>

Members:

<https://form.jotform.com/rosshouse/memberinfo>

You can also provide an update by calling the Front Desk at (03) 9650 1599.



Image Descriptions: Humanist Australia members enjoying a coffee at the Abory Bar, Melbourne. The second image above is the Humanists Australia logo which has the text Humanists Australia in blue and purple font.

Congratulations Susan Arthur!

BY POSITIVE POWERFUL PARENTS (PPP)

Congratulations to Sue Arthur, Committee Member for Positive Powerful Parents (PPP) on graduating from the Banyule City Council's Inclusive Employment Program!

The Inclusive Employment Program is a 6-month program that supports people to develop skills to support them to find work.

Sue really enjoyed her time at Banyule City Council.

Some of the tasks Sue completed whilst being part of the Inclusive Employment Program were: organising guest speakers to a MCH Nurses forum, mapping local service providers to ensure current information was up to date, assisted with the planning of meetings, assisted in developing a resource to support people with intellectual disability in the workplace and transcribed hardcopy workshop information into electronic content, to name a few!

**POSITIVE
POWERFUL
PARENTS**



That's a lot to fit into 6 months 2 days per week. Well done Sue!

At the graduation it was no surprise to hear Sue's co-workers from Banyule saying that they wanted her to stay and what a fantastic work ethic she has.

Sue has been successful in ongoing casual work as needed which is great but is really looking forward to parttime or fulltime work in the future.

Congratulations again Sue on the achievement.

To find out more about PPP, please visit www.positivepowerfulparents.com.au.



Image Description: Susan receiving her Program Award with two members of the Banyule City Council.

Expanding Horizons: Introducing Our Enhanced Community Visitors Scheme

BY ELDER RIGHTS ADVOCACY

We are pleased to announce the expansion of our Community Visitors Scheme

From 1st July 2023, we will deliver an expanded and newly named Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme (ACVVS), as recommended by the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety and funded through the Department of Health and Aged Care.

Connecting Across Victoria

The program will be operating state-wide and will enable us to better meet the needs of older Victorians who are receiving aged care services and are experiencing loneliness and social isolation.

Building Social Bonds

The program aims to build social connections through friendship and companionship provided by our caring volunteers.

Join Our Mission

Any older person who is living in an aged care home or who is approved and waiting for or receiving support in their own home through a home care package is welcome to contact us. Suppose you are an aged care provider, friend, or family member. In that case, you can also contact us to learn more about our Aged Care Volunteer Visitors and how friendships can improve the quality of life and help older people feel less isolated.



Meaningful Connections

We try to match Volunteers and older people with similar interests, hobbies, backgrounds and preferences. Our ACVVS staff will manage all introductions and keep in touch to ensure the older person enjoys the friendship. The Volunteer will contact both parties regularly, weekly or on fortnights at a convenient time. A visit can include planned activities and outings, or the older person may prefer to receive a phone call, a virtual meeting online or a posted letter. The choice is theirs.

Our Volunteers have a genuine interest in easing the social isolation experienced by so many older people and an understanding of the complex health issues they face. They possess practical social skills and can listen, empathise and engage with older people from marginalised groups.

Making a Difference

If you are reliable, confident and caring, and want to contribute positively to an older person's life, then you could be a great volunteer visitor, so please make contact for further information.

www.elderrightsadvocacy.org.au

COSHG Survey



BY COLLECTIVE OF SELF
HELP GROUPS

Ross House tenant, The Collective of Self Help Groups (COSHG) supports people who are establishing or running self help and support groups.

COSHG would appreciate it if any groups could take a few minutes to fill out this survey:

<https://tinyurl.com/ysthh3hx>

By answering the above questions, you'll help them improve their resources and find new ways to support groups.

www.coshg.org.au

Good Luck Maria Strong!

BY LOTUS GROUP PROJECTS

Maria (Ria) Strong, well known self-advocate and a long time Ross House identity with links to several groups, including disability advisory groups, has been selected to represent Australia at her second World Para Athletics Championships, this time in Paris in July!

Not only she will be competing in shot put, but also in frame running something Maria has been passionate about and also assisting many others to become involved in.

Ria set personal bests in both events during the domestic season and is now ready to see how she goes against the best in the world when it counts most. Go Maria!

You can read about Maria on Facebook, Maz Strong - <https://www.facebook.com/strongria>
Full Athletics Australia team announcement here: <https://tinyurl.com/yc4kjfka>.



Image Description: Maria is competing on an athletic track wearing a helmet and holding an assisted running device.

Disability Pride: A Day Celebration with DRC

BY DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Belong is a disability-led network run by DRC Advocacy. We meet online and in groups to build connections and share experiences.

Belong will be hosting a day of celebration for Disability Pride month on 27th July from 12 – 3.30pm at Kensington Town Hall.

We will be having a gigantic speed-meet, making disability pride badges, and sharing food, music and art.

Please join us - everyone is welcome to attend -we would love to see you there!

Tickets are free, but limited, so do book yours as soon as possible!

Also, if you would like to join Belong we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch here:

www.drc.org.au/belong

For further information about DRC, please visit www.drc.org.au.

DRC
advocacy

BELONG presents

Disability Pride: A Day of Celebration

Kensington Town Hall

Thursday 27th July 2023

12 noon to 3.30pm



Book your free
ticket here!

Or contact
belong@drc.org.au



Stella Young
artwork by Larissa MacFarlane

Non Profit Training

Ross House Member, Non Profit Training, provides training for not-for-profit organisations, associations and charities across Australia.

Tailored online and face-to-face training services, they educate and empower non-profit organisations, to enable them to focus on their purpose and deliver better outcomes to the community. Below is their upcoming schedule:

Online Grant Writing Training

Tuesday 25th July 2023, 10am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$330 per person

Online Leadership Training

Tuesday 25th July & Tuesday 1st August 2023, 10am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$660 per person

Online Board Chair Training

Tuesday 27th July 2023, 6pm – 9pm

The cost is \$190 per person

Online Finance Training

Tuesday 1 August 2023 10am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$330 per person

Online Governance Training

Tuesday 8th August 2023, 10am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$330 per person

Online Project Management Training

Tuesday 10 August 2023 10am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$330 per person



Non Profit Training

Ross House members can access a 10% discount by entering the code 'ROSS' in the discount/promo section when checking out.

For more information visit

www.nonprofittraining.com.au

Community Calendar

- Disability Pride Month, July 2023
- Naidoc Week, Sunday 2 July – Sunday 9 July 2023
- RHA Member and Tenant event - Winter Warmer Wednesday 26th July, 11:30am - 1pm
- DRC Disability Pride Event: A Day of Celebration, Thursday 27th July 2023, 12pm - 3:30pm

If you would like to add your event to our Community Calendar, in our next In the House, please email rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au.



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Sell, give Donate Facebook
group!**

www.facebook.com/groups/2124908287663214



Window Displays at Ross House

BY ROSS HOUSE
ASSOCIATION



The Ross House team would like to thank the membership for their wonderful window displays!

We know how much effort and planning goes into each display so we wanted to share our most recent ones with you.

The large window display in June was occupied by Ross House tenant, Deafblind Victoria who promoted DeafBlind Awareness Month. You can find out more at www.deafblindvictoria.org.au.

Abrisa also showcased a Fiesta event in the small window - you can read more about Abrisa at www.abrisa.org.au.

If you would like to find out more information about our window displays, please get in touch with Katie or Carol at rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au.



RHA OFFICE HOURS

WE HAVE UPDATED OUR OFFICE HOURS:

PHONE AND EMAIL: 9AM - 5PM, MONDAY - FRIDAY

FRONT DESK STAFFED: 10AM - 4PM, MONDAY - FRIDAY

For more information, please email rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au



First Aid Training

BY RHA

Thank you to everyone who took part in the First Aid Training in May, provided by CPR First Aid.

It was a wonderful day and was great to see the Ross House community come together and learn new skills.

RHA will be holding another session in the upcoming months - watch this space for further information!

STAY CONNECTED!



@rosshouseassociation



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Ross House Association



The NDIS Review wants to hear from Self Advocates

When?

Monday July 17th from 2pm to 4pm

Where?

On Zoom, contact SARU for the link

What will we talk about?

- Why self advocacy is important
- How to make self advocacy stronger
- What community supports are important to you
- How to make supports and services more accessible

How can I come along?

Email SARU at info@saru.net.au or call (03) 9639 6856 and leave a message.

Do you have Zoom access needs?

Let SARU know

THANK YOU FOR PAYING YOUR INVOICES ON TIME

RHA would like to thank everyone for paying invoices on time.

A friendly reminder to cancel any room bookings (via your online account) that you are not using. This will avoid any confusion and cancellation charges on invoices. If you need help, please contact the Front Desk on (03) 650 1599 / rosshouse@rosshouse.org.au.

RHA Staff Changes

We sadly said goodbye to our lovely Casual Ella Marchionda, who has embarked on a new venture in Perth. We would like to thank Ella for all her hard work and support over the years - we wish her well on her new journey.

Carol Franklin has now joined the Ross House team on a permanent part-time basis, welcome Carol!

Carol will be working at Ross House two days per week on the Front Desk (Tuesdays and Fridays) and brings some extensive experience from Ross House tenant, Brain Injury Matters (BIM).

If you see Carol at the Front Desk or around Ross House, be sure to say g'day!



ROSS HOUSE ASSOCIATION STAFF

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



MICHAEL GRIFFITHS

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