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April Newsletter #1

Message from the CEO.

Welcome to the second issue of our new newsletter. I hope you are enjoying the new format. It has been a busy time for both the staff and Board of NCJWA Vic as we sought the safety of our people and to ensure we continue to service our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. At times like this our mission is more important than ever. In this issue, we provide a more detailed update of the way in which we have refashioned our programs for the times.

Pesach this year has a very particular resonance, as it will be different from all other years. We have personal experience of both the fierce fires of the summer and the plague that is now amongst us. Even as we use ZOOM and other technologies to celebrate the Seder, we know that we are stronger together.

As Pesach approaches, I would like to take this opportunity and thank each and every one of you for your support of NCJWA Vic. It is you, our members, supporters, volunteers, donors and friends, that help sustain us at times like these. Knowing we have your support has enabled us to respond strongly and decisively to the pandemic.

Stay safe and well, and stay at home!

Chag Pesach Sameach!

Lee Ann Basser
CEO



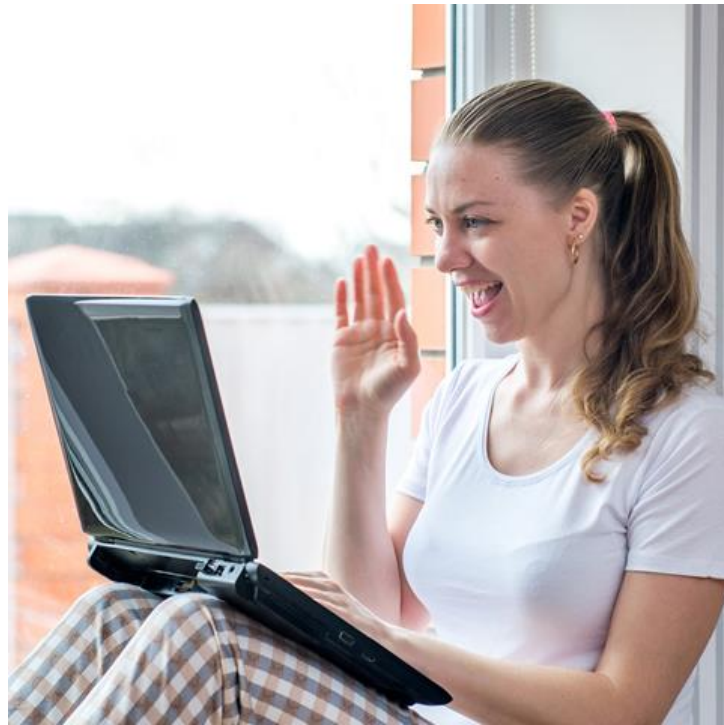
Caring Mums Together - New Virtual Mothers Group.

Women are still having babies, becoming mothers, new siblings are being brought home, and all those wonderful new challenges are taking place amidst the additional challenge of COVID-19.

Caring Mum's focus and values, those of emotionally supporting new mums and sharing in their journey of motherhood, have not changed – but the way in which we go about things has. The Caring Mums team continues to offer weekly meetings with the mothers and their volunteer via phone/FaceTime.

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The Jam Project: more virtual catch-ups, more e-communications

The Jam Project team was quick to adapt the program to the COVID-19 era. With the incredible cooperation of our Jam buddies and Year 9 participants, The Jam Project now offers weekly one-on-one catch-ups via phone or FaceTime (previously fortnightly).

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Seniors Programs – maintaining strong connections with our participants

The values that underpin our Seniors Programs are very close to our hearts. These programs exist to facilitate social connection for people living independently in their own homes.

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Pesach fun in the age of COVID-19.



National Council of Jewish Women of Australia and Melinda Jones will be holding a special virtual ZOOM event “Pesach fun in the age of Corona Virus”. The event will explore some fun ways to use the Haggadah and Pesach to connect and reflect on the power of being a Jewish woman.

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#StrongerTogether

NCJWA Vic launches a new campaign #StrongerTogether

The past couple of weeks have proved to us that we are, indeed, #StrongerTogether. Meaningful, deep connections can help us all ease tension and uncertainty. Together, we are giving effect to our vision of Powering Women and Girls For a Better World.



Staff Meeting

Pesach office closure

The NCJWA Vic office (i.e. our home-offices) will be closed for the Pesach break. We will be closed from **Wednesday 8 April 2020 3pm and will re-open on Monday 20 April 2020 9am**. Wishing you Chag Pesach Sameach!

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