

You are invited to the WRISC Annual General Meeting...



The Board of WRISC Family Violence Support Inc. are pleased to invite you to join us for our Annual General Meeting.

Join us as we share and celebrate some of the achievements and highlights of the past year.

When: Thursday November 24, 2016

Time: 4:30pm – 6:30pm

Venue: Centennial Wing, Room 110,
Ballarat Grammar, 201 Forest St, Wendouree
(enter via Forest St, Gate C, Disability Access)

Topic: “Respectful Relationships – *“We are all in this together”*”



Speaker: Kristy McKellar

Kristy McKellar is renowned in the family violence sector, both in Victoria and nationally, with an academic background ingrained in Social Science and Social Work. Kristy was named in the top 100 Women of Influence in the Australian Financial Review and Westpac 2016 Awards and further named a finalist in the 2016 Women's Agenda Leadership Awards as the Agenda Setter of the Year.

She is uniquely positioned to bring important context and insight into the debate around family violence, equality and respect as both a professional and also as a courageous survivor of family violence. She has been able to highlight system failures and influence important decision making.

Light refreshments and finger food will be served.
Please advise us of any dietary requirements.

RSVP to Alison : 53 333 666 or email: alisonc@wrisc.org.au
by Friday, 18th November, 2016

VALUES: Safety , Equality, Opportunity for All people

OUR MISSION: To promote respectful relationships through services which enhance the safety, autonomy and wellbeing of women and children.

WRISC THANKS COLLEEN HEWETT AND ALFREDTON ROTARY CLUB

WRISC Family Violence Support would like to thank the Alfredton Rotary Club for their generous donation in support of women and children experiencing family violence in the Central Highlands Region of Victoria. The money was raised at the Brian Cadd/Colleen Hewett concert held in Ballarat on August 26. Colleen generously donated 10% of ticket sales to support family violence services in the region. Colleen is an ambassador for Violence Free Families, an organisation which works very closely with and is supported by Rotary.

Thanks again to Colleen Hewett and the Alfredton Rotary Club for their generous support.

Find out more at www.violencefreefamilies.org.au



ABOVE: WRISC Business Manager, Anita, accepts a cheque for funds raised from Alfredton Rotary Club President, Ellie Beer.

TESSA MARSHALL—A tribute to female singers over the past 90 years

Tessa wishes to celebrate female singing artists over the past decades from the 1920's to date. Her exploration of female singers over this period has resulted in the compilation of some wonderful songs covering a variety of genres, that has appeal to all ages and genders.

Billie Holliday, Ella Fitzgerald, Peggy Lee, Dusty Springfield, Lulu, Carole King, Kate Bush, Amy Winehouse, Duffy, Lana Del Ray, Rihanna & more.

You are therefore cordially invited to join Tessa in the relaxed ambience of the Humffray Room at the Ballarat Mechanics Institute (BMI) 117 Sturt St, Ballarat at 7.30pm to approximately 9.30pm on Saturday November 5th. Sit, stand, dance, sip and sup - refreshments available.

Importantly Tessa will be donating 20% of each ticket sale to WRISC Family Violence Support. So come along, bring a friend, or two or more, and support a local singer in Tessa & this worthy cause.

Your early pre booking & payment would be appreciated for seating & refreshment purposes. Enquiries/bookings/payments to: Ron & Tessa 53387696 or 0404 341 051. Also to: Rosemary at the BMI 5331 3042.

Entry Costs: \$15 Adults: \$12 Concession Card Holders: BMI Members: & Students: Lock in this date & get in early to purchase your entry.

Tessa Marshall has been performing in productions with the Creswick Theatre Co, Lyric Theatre & BLOC; as singer, dancer & actor since 2009.

Find out more about Tessa by visiting her performer Facebook page listed as 'TESSA MARSHALL' or type in the link: (<https://www.facebook.com/tessiesmarshall/>)

For more details on Tessa's performance, please see the flyer on the next page. WRISC would like to thank Tessa for her generous support.

A Tribute To Female Singers Over The Past 90 Years

'Book Early'

'Refreshments Available'



Saturday 5th November, 7:30pm

**Humffray Room of Ballarat Mechanics
Institute**

**Entry \$15; \$12 for Concessions, Students
& BMI members**

**20% of entry sales to be donated to
WRISC (Family Violence Support)**

**Booking Numbers (Tessa and Ron on:
53387696 or 0404341051 or Rosemary
at the BMI on: 53313042)**

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FUNDRAISING COMMUNITY BBQ AT COLES, BAKERY HILL

WRISC would like to thank Coles, Bakery Hill for their support of and commitment to the local community. The community BBQ held on Saturday October 15 was a great success in terms of money raised, and the opportunity it gave WRISC to promote their work and the services they provide to women and children experiencing family violence in the Central Highlands region.



Thank you also to
**Freight Bar &
Restaurant**

Freight generously nominated WRISC to be the recipient of proceeds raised at the Wednesday Trivia nights for the month of October.

FREIGHT

BAR & RESTAURANT


Facts about Family Violence

- Violence in family and intimate relationships is mostly committed by men against women
- Violence and abuse is about power and control. The person using the violence is seeking to control their partner or family member's behaviour or choices. Using violence is always a choice made by the person using violence.
- Violence and abuse of any form is unacceptable and a breach of human rights.

Are you a WRISC member?

- ♦ Would you like to become more involved in the work of WRISC?
- ♦ Would you like to contribute to WRISC in a more meaningful way?
- ♦ Do you have skills and expertise which you would like to share with WRISC and support women and children in your community?

WRISC is inviting Ordinary Members to express interest in joining Board facilitated working groups. From time to time these working groups are seeking short term and/or ongoing membership. Examples of working groups include:

- BIG (Big Ideas Group)
- Finance and Risk Working Group
- Marketing and Communications Working Group
- Disability Action Plan Working Group
- Multicultural Working Group
- Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group

If you would like to express interest, please contact Sandra on 5333 3666 or email sandrag@wrisc.org.au

(For enquiries about becoming a WRISC member, please contact Sandra as above.)

Thank you to all our donors/ sponsors

Kind and generous donations from organisations, private philanthropists and various grants enable us to continue to service the increasing number of requests for help. We sincerely thank our loyal and generous supporters.



Can you help?

If you would like to make a contribution, our bank details are:

BSB: 063-507 Acct: 10042491

Name: WRISC Family Violence Support

OR

Donate online via PayPal [here](#).

Donations of \$2 or more to WRISC Family Violence Support are tax deductible.

What do you think?

WRISC appreciates communication and feedback regarding the content of this newsletter. If you would like to make contact, please email the Communications Officer:

alisonc@wrisc.org.au



WRISC exists to change the lives of women and children affected by family violence. We promote safe homes, strong families and respectful relationships.

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