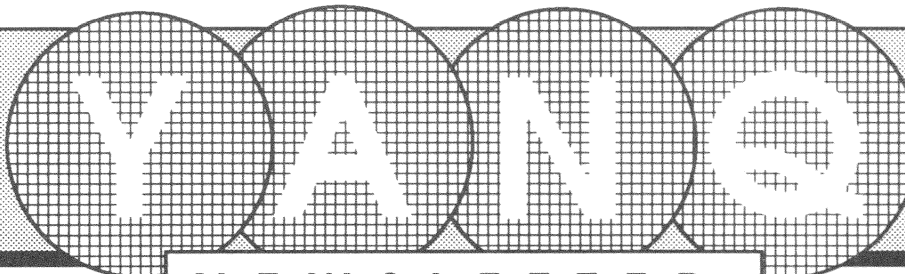


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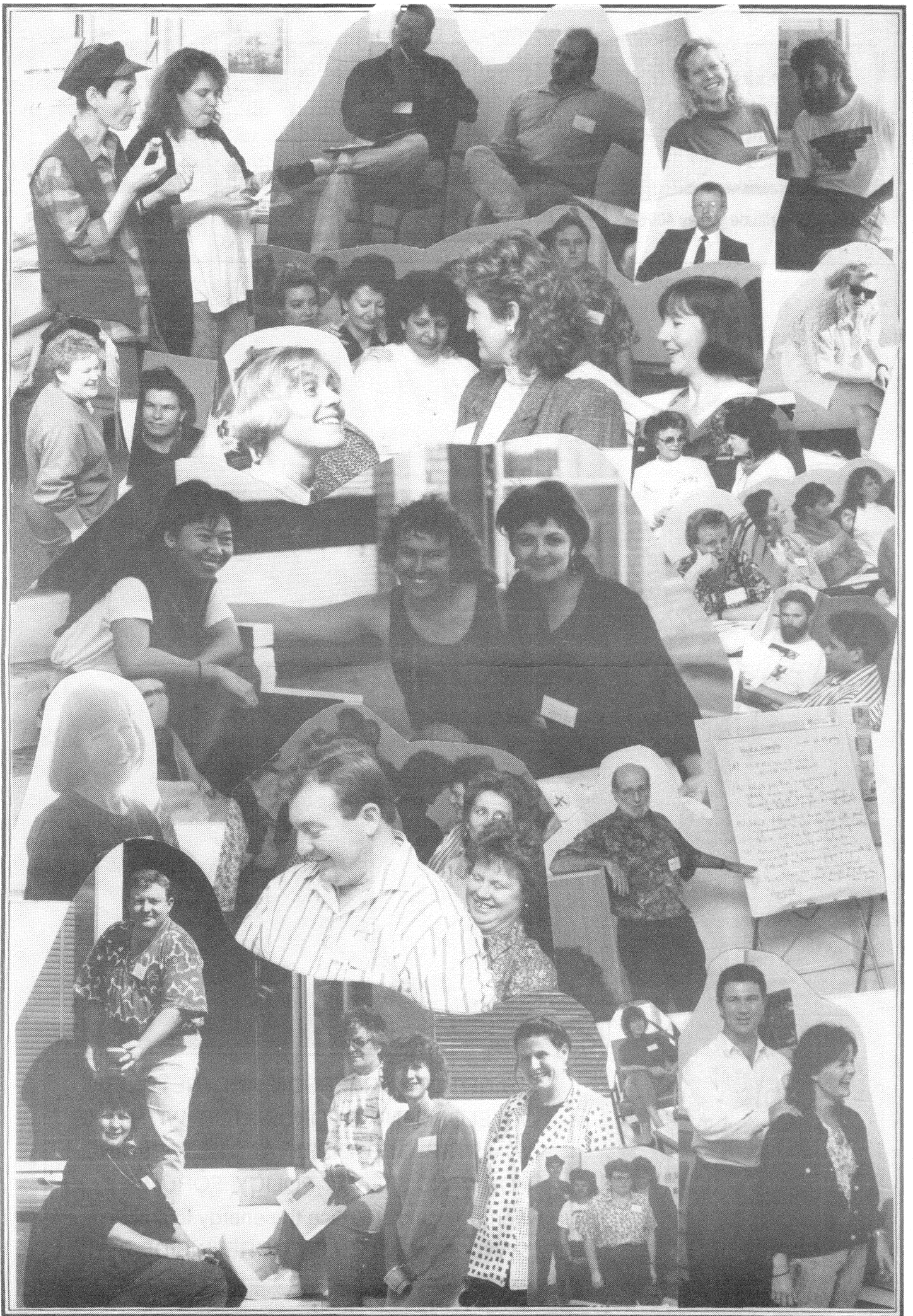
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YANQ'S CHAIRPERSON AND NETWORK
DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR WITH THE
MINISTER BOB GIBBS AT THE OPENING
OF YANQ'S FIRST POLICY FORUM
when we could still raise the energy to smile!
AND A WHOLE LOT MORE INSIDE



GAINING STATEWIDE PERSPECTIVES

REPORT ON THE FIRST YANQ POLICY FORUM

As many of you will be aware, YANQ held its first Policy Forum from 31 May - 2 June 1991.

Delegates representing 12 regions and 13 issue groups attended the Forum. YANQ Coordinating Committee members and staff brought total attendance to 48. We thank all those who attended and contributed 3 days of hard work for the development of YANQ.

The primary function of the Policy Forum was to provide an opportunity for YANQ members, through their delegates, to give direction to YANQ processes and programs for the 1991/1992 year. This has been achieved. The Forum successfully outlined YANQ structures and processes and policy formulation strategies and identified issues for action for the year ahead.

Delegates were asked to provide YANQ with a list of issues affecting young people which their region or group considered were priority issues for YANQ to address. 12 issues were presented for workshop discussion. Recommendations arising from these workshops will form the basis for YANQ's policy direction over the coming year.

To all those who attended the Forum, our thanks once more. To all members, we look forward to continuing to develop networks over the next 12 months and ask your cooperation in this. YANQ's services to members will only be relevant and useful when members themselves have ongoing input. YANQ is its members and information-sharing is, by definition, more than a one-way process.

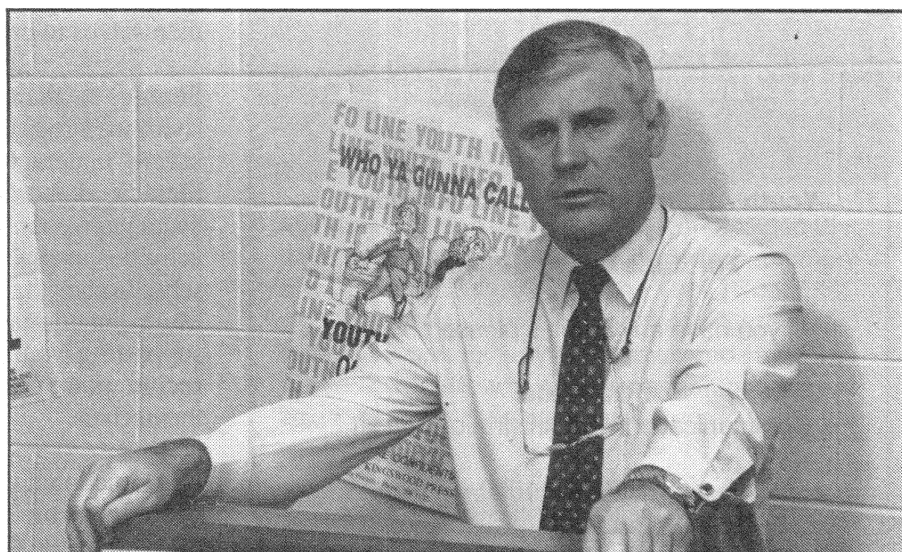
All the best,

Bob Gibbs
Lindsay

Who ya gunna call?
Minister Bob Gibbs at the opening
of the YANQ Policy Forum

ISSUES FOR ACTION

- * needs and problems specific to young people in rural/remote areas
- * needs and problems specific to Aboriginal and Islander young people
- * needs and problems specific to young women
- * education and training needs of young people
- * housing for 12-18 year olds
- * alcohol and drug use/misuse among young people
- * outreach health services for disadvantaged young people
- * the impact of the current justice system on young people
- * conditions and training for workers in the non-government youth sector
- * income security for young people
- * discrimination facing young people in service delivery
- * recreational needs of young people



STOP PRESS

SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND YOUTH HOUSING FORUM TO GO AHEAD AS A YOUTH WEEK PROJECT

A joint project between YANQ, SEQYAC and the Commonwealth State Housing Agreement (CSHA) Consultation Project has been given the green light by the 1991 Youth Week Committee.

The focus of the project will be a Housing Forum for young people of South East Queensland. The forum will attempt to bring young people together to discuss their housing needs and issues. The forum will be held in Youth Week (7-13 September).

Sally Watson from Zig Zag Young Women's Resource Centre has been seconded as the project officer. She will commence work on the project in mid-July and will be contacting agencies in SE Queensland at this time.

For more information contact YANQ on 852 1800



CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send news items, information and photographs along with your phone number to

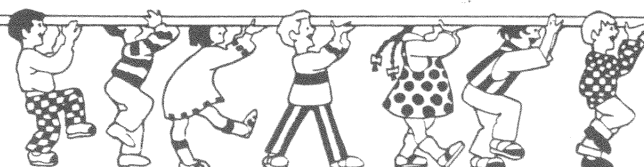
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PO Box 116
Fortitude Valley Qld 4006

If you have any queries please phone

Rita Riedel
Communications/Administration Officer

on (07) 852 1800

MULTIFUNCTIONAL YOUTH CENTRE FOR THE SOUTH WEST



The Charleville District Community Support Association and the Lions Club have joined together to develop a Multi-functional Youth Centre for the young people of the south west.

A derelict, skeleton hotel, abandoned by its proprietors after the 1990 flood in Charleville, has been purchased by the Lions Club for the purpose of being developed into a multi-functional youth centre. Architects have already been approached and plans drawn for an exciting new Centre. Plans for renovations are also underway.

FEATURES

The proposed Youth Centre will have:

- * a drop-in centre
- * cafeteria
- * 11 hostel rooms
- * kitchen, dining and lounge area for hostel guests
- * a hall which can be divided into 3 sections for meetings, conferences or recreational activities.

Youth and Community Worker, Lance Kelly, is conducting a needs analysis study for the area. Outcomes of the study will assist with the planning of activities and programs that young people would like to see run. Already on the agenda is a volunteer training program, movie nights, counselling service, accommodation facilities and under 18 night clubs. Young people will be given the opportunity to administer and run the Centre themselves in conjunction with community support.

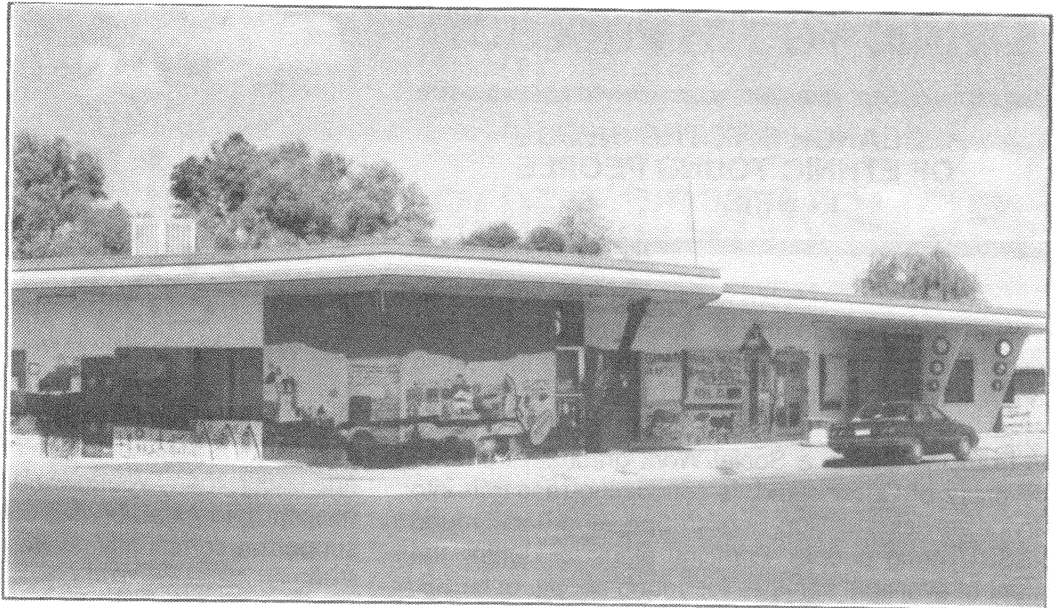
Some of the main issues concerning young people in the south west region include unemployment, child abuse, severe underage drinking, lack of accommodation, literacy, domestic violence, drugs, smoking, sexual awareness, counselling, lack of resources, awareness of activities available and having a safe place to go after school other than the streets. The development of the Multi-Functional Youth Centre will play a major role in supporting young people by giving them a safe and secure place where they can have fun and enjoy themselves.

It is hoped that the Centre will be completed and fully operational by 1992. Furnishings have already been donated by the CWA and local community - including

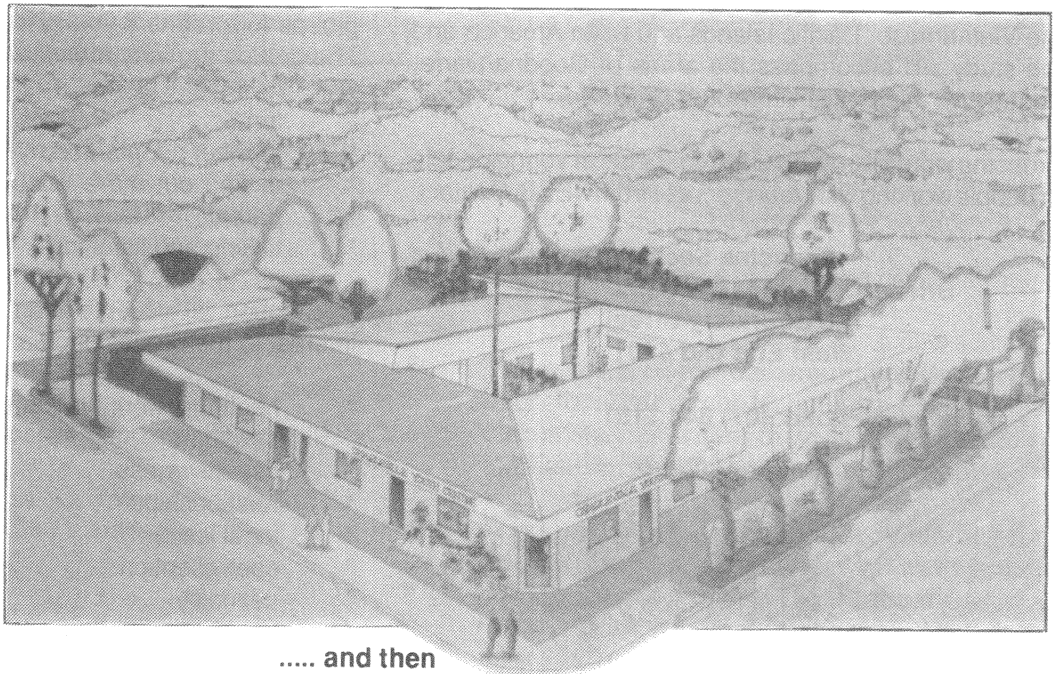
a snooker table! In the meantime work has begun on a small section of the building to be ready by July for the drop-in centre. This will be used to host afternoon activities.

Various organisations have been approached for funding or material assistance for initial major renovations, though in times of economic hardship organisations have been slow to respond. The Charleville and District Community Support Association welcomes any advice and assistance from other groups who are in, or have experienced, a similar situation. If any organisation is willing and/or able to provide direct assistance (material or funds) their support would be more than welcomed.

If you can assist the development of the Multi-functional Youth Centre in Charleville please contact the YANQ office on (07) 852 1800 or (008) 177 899 to pass on relevant details.



The proposed Multi-functional Centre in Charleville now



..... and then

PSMC REVIEW OF THE DIVISION OF YOUTH

Thanks to all those who returned their PSMC surveys on (or near!!) the due date. More than 60 surveys were returned. Results have been collated and YANQ is now in the process of preparing a submission to the PSMC based on the information contained in the surveys.

THANK YOU

Corrie Macdonald
Policy/Research Officer

MINUTES OF YANQ COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Members of the recent Policy Forum decided that each YANQ newsletter should include a summary of the previous 3 meetings of the YANQ Coordinating Committee. Unfortunately, preparation of this newsletter was already at an advanced stage and we could not include a Minutes Summary in this issue. Minutes Summaries will commence in the next issue.

ETHNIC YOUTH PROJECT

RESEARCH INTO THE NEEDS OF ETHNIC YOUNG PEOPLE IN BRISBANE

A Youth Project Worker has been appointed by the Brisbane Migrant Resource Centre to serve the Ethnic Community in Brisbane.

Ms Francine Seeto, a Social Work graduate from the University of Queensland, is conducting research into service provision for Non-English-Speaking-Background (NESB) young people. Francine plans to identify the extent of available services for young people of NESB, the barriers or difficulties in using these services, and new services suggested by young people of NESB, youth workers and service providers. The specific ethnic groups to be researched will be the 'emergent communities' of the Vietnamese, Pacific Islands and Latin America and the study will encompass the areas of Goodna/Darra, Logan city, West End and South Brisbane.

Francine would like to hear the concerns of young people or people working with young people from NESB. Contact:

Francine Seeto
Brisbane Migrant Resource Centre
126 Boundary Street
West End Qld 4101

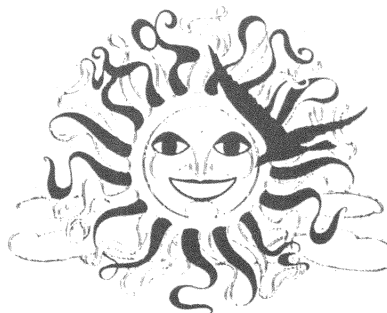
Phone: (07) 844 1151



APOLOGY

An article entitled "Actions speak louder than words: the Young Women's Housing Group" which appeared in the last issue of Transitions did so without acknowledgement of its author. The author of that article was Tracey Mutze, who wrote it in consultation with Cathy Beadnell and Sally Watson. The opinions expressed in the article were those of Tracey Mutze and not necessarily those of the YWHG. Anyone wishing to discuss issues raised in the article can contact Tracey at Cairns Youth Service Providers on (070) 316 179.

YANQ APOLOGISES FOR THIS OMISSION



YOUNG PARENTS PROGRAM

The Young Parents Program is a health and support service for pregnant women and parents aged 18 years and under; many young women do not use established hospital ante-natal services and young parents often lack supportive community networks.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The service runs community-based self-help support groups for pregnant young women and young parents. The groups are very friendly and informal and are for:

- * fun
- * to meet people and make new friends
- * to find out more about pregnancy and being a parent
- * talking and listening

Information is also provided on a range of topics of interest to the groups such as:

- * health matters for young women
- * child care
- * assertiveness
- * relationships
- * legal issues
- * contraception
- * sexuality
- * housing
- * social security

The Young Parents Program offers a range of support services including a health service, individual and family counselling, information, referral and community education. It is staffed by a full-time social worker, a community midwife and students from the University of Queensland.

***** ALL SERVICES ARE FREE *****
WHERE POSSIBLE, ASSISTANCE WITH
TRANSPORT AND CHILD CARE IS PROVIDED

CONTACT

Young Parents Program
Coordinator

(07) 357 9944

YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION

JUVENILE JUSTICE ISSUES WORKSHOP

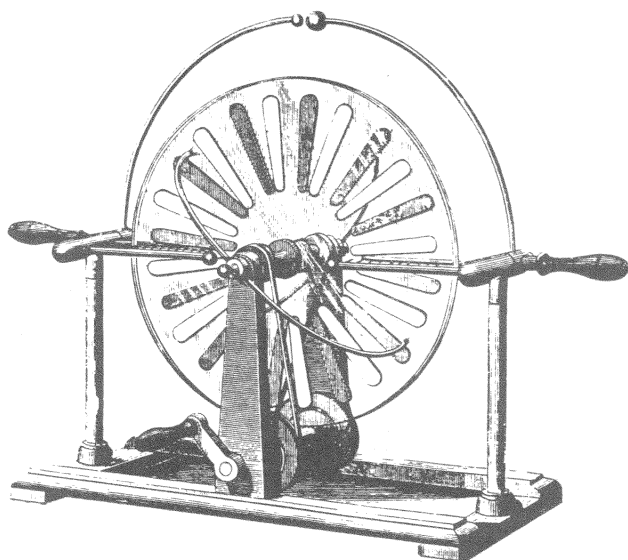
A workshop was recently conducted by the Youth Justice Coalition on justice issues relating to young people in Queensland. The workshop, held on Monday 3 June, was attended by over 60 people, including many representatives from the rural sector.

Guest speaker for the workshop was Ms Wendy Edmond (Member for Mt Cootha), Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee. Ms Edmond spoke of her experiences of the Juvenile Justice Legislation in New Zealand and fielded many questions from participants. A video, obtained from Detective Inspector David Jefferies, Juvenile Aid Bureau, Queensland Police Services, was also viewed.

In the following session members of the Youth Justice Coalition provided accurate and up-to-date information on a range of issues including:

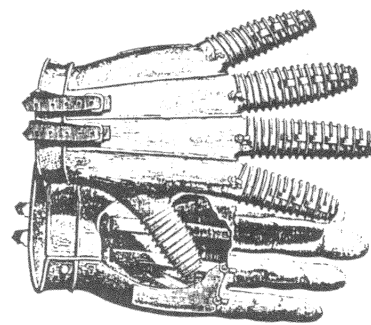
- * Police questioning of young people
- * Finger printing / photographing of young people
- * Cautioning of young people
- * Summons / arrest of young people
- * Educating young people on their rights.

This information has been documented and may be obtained by contacting the Coalition.



After lunch small group discussions were held on the above topics. 12 recommendations arising from these discussions for follow-up by the Coalition are as follows:

1. Any photographs or fingerprints taken of young people should only be obtained after a conviction has been recorded.



2. When records need to be taken police should make an application to the court.
3. The records of minors should not be carried over to adult records, and in exceptional circumstances where this may be necessary, application should be made to the courts.
4. Working party to be set up to seek funding for an education project and/or worker to gather resources, needs etc. for dissemination.
5. The YJC to write to the Police Commissioner to recommend that written material be given to:
 - young people by police explaining the consequences of cautioning
 - young people by police indicating officer's name and reason for questioning, rights of the young person and resource contact numbers
 - independent people explaining their rights and responsibilities.
6. The YJC to approach peak organisations (eg. SEQYAC, YSTC) to provide training on legal issues to workers in the youth sector.
7. A young person should be given an opportunity to choose his/her independent person and this right should be embodied in police directives and submission made re: new legislation.

8. Education for young people and workers of rights and procedures re: police questioning (ie. workshops, t-shirts, stickers, info-sheets, posters, legal studies earlier in the system).
9. Set up independent persons roster (train people and have a panel, list of panel members to be provided to the young person).
10. That the use of the complaints/summons process should be made compulsory.

ACTION: That the YJC make a submission to the police Commissioner and the Police Minister that the complaints/summons process for arresting young people be the rule rather than the exception.

11. That young people have the right to bail throughout the process of the juvenile justice system.

ACTION: That YJC make a submission to the Law Reform Commission with regard to the current review of the Bail Law in Queensland.

12. That the YJC take into account the issues facing remote areas when making any submission, writing any letter and/or when meeting with any group.

Recommendations 11 and 12 have already been acted upon. With the assistance of the YANQ the YJC has forwarded a submission to the Law Reform Commission in relation to the review of the Bail Act.

The YJC intends to conduct another workshop in the coming months which may cover information on the Children's Court. If you would like further information or would like to become a member of the Coalition (for the cost of 10 stamps), please contact Lawrie Moynihan on (07) 208 8199 or Helen Betts on (07) 857 1155.

REVIEW OF QUEENSLAND'S BAIL LAW

In June the Queensland Law Reform Commission released a discussion paper entitled "To Bail or Not to Bail- A review of Queensland's Bail Law" and called for comments.

YANQ helped the Youth Justice Coalition to prepare a submission on aspects of Queensland's bail law affecting young people.

Those interested in reading the submission can contact YANQ on (07) 852 1800.

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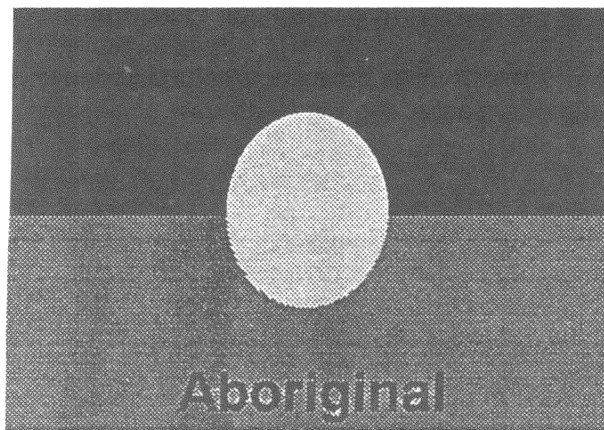
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youth issues conference

September 18 – 20

**for further information phone
(09) 370 6581 or (09) 370 6821**

The National Health Strategy Review

The Federal Minister for Community Services and Health, Mr Brian Howe, has appointed Jenny Macklin to undertake a far-reaching review of Australia's health system. The following details on this National Health Strategy will be useful for those groups who would like to be involved in the review.

Ms Macklin will report on current health policy and make recommendations on changes needed within the overall Medicare arrangements to ensure the effective, equitable and efficient operation of those arrangements in future.

The review will operate in a similar way to the Cass Social Security Review, also commissioned by Brian Howe. It will last at least two years, with Issues Papers (one for each term of reference) being released approximately every 3 months, public comment, then final recommendations from the consultant going to the Minister sequentially on each issue.

The review will include in its scope all medical services (including preventive and health promotion services) and hospital services, and will examine longer term aged care, psychiatric and disability services only in so far as they interact with the acute care sector. The review will not examine the detailed arrangements of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, but will consider the overall place of pharmaceuticals in the health care system.

There will also be 20 background papers to provide essential information. The first background paper, The National Health Strategy: Setting the Agenda for Change, which outlines the overall principles and thrust behind the review, and its timetable for the next two years, was issued on 20 November 1990.

Of particular interest to the Youth Sector are Terms of Reference 5 - 7 outlined below:

Term of Reference 5: Integration of Delivery of Health Services.

A. ISSUES PAPER: STRUCTURAL REFORM OF CURRENT HEALTH DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS - WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO COMMONWEALTH/STATE ISSUES AND SPECIAL NEEDS GROUPS

Content:

This paper will explore alternatives to the current Federal/State arrangements for the delivery and financing of health services. Mechanisms to enhance the linkages of health services with other community services will be explored. The paper will also examine options to improve service delivery for special needs groups such as the chronically ill, psychiatric patients, the aged and Aborigines.

Release Date: Mid 1991

Terms of Reference 6: Prevention and Health Promotion

A. ISSUES PAPER: THE ROLE OF HEALTH PROMOTION AND THE STRENGTHENING OF PREVENTIVE SERVICES

Content:

This paper will examine the scope for expansion and improved integration of health promotion activities. In particular the paper will examine and propose ways to improve the effectiveness of prevention activities in reaching special needs groups such as Aborigines, people with chronic health problems, older people and women. The importance of social and environmental issues and policies to improve nutrition will be examined.

Release Date: Mid 1992

Term of Reference 7: Effectiveness of Health Delivery to meet the needs of Special Interest Groups

A. ISSUES PAPER - EFFECTIVENESS OF HEALTH DELIVERY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Content: To be determined.

Release Date: Mid 1992

For further details, copies of current background papers and inclusion on their mailing list contact the National Health Strategy, 399 Lonsdale St, Melbourne VIC 3000. Phone (03) 604 4060, Fax: (03) 604 4077.

YOUTH INFO LINE

(008) 177 899

Youth Info Line is a free information/referral telephone service available to young people and people working with young people. The service offers information on accommodation, recreation, counselling, legal rights and more.

ALL CALLS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

**NEED A PLACE TO MEET,
RUN A SEMINAR,
HOLD A CONFERENCE ?**

YANQ has a meeting and conference room available for hire. (Unfunded groups may use rooms at no charge). The meeting room seats up to 15 people - ideal for committee meetings or interagency meetings. The conference room seats up to 60 people - ideal for training workshops, seminars or AGMs.

Meeting Room: 1/2 day \$15, full day \$30
Conference Room: 1/2 day \$25, full day \$50

**Cost includes use of overhead projector,
whiteboard and kitchen facilities.
Phone YANQ on (07) 852 1800.**



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free posters on youth issues

It was brought to the attention of YANQ staff during our recent Policy Forum that members and agencies in remote regions often experience difficulty in getting hold of posters about issues relating to young people.

With this in mind Corrie Macdonald, YANQ's Policy/Research Officer, has been on the phone to a number of organisations which produce posters on youth issues. She has succeeded in acquiring a pile of posters dealing with a range of youth issues including homelessness, education and training, AIDS, alcohol use and legal rights. All posters have been provided free of charge.

If you or your agency would like us to send you a free poster-pack just give us a call on (008) 177 899. The offer is directed mainly at remote regions but we'll be happy to help any member as far as possible.

child abuse information kit

Produced by the Queensland Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse, the **Child Abuse Prevention Information Kit** aims at increasing community awareness of the growing problem of child abuse and the strategies needed for its prevention. The Kit replaces the Fact Sheets previously distributed by the Centre.

The Child Abuse Information Kit provides information on resources available for parents and children. It explains child abuse - what it is, how frequently it occurs, the effects, the causes and the costs. Information is also included about personal safety education and ways parents can help keep their children safe from sexual exploitation.

Limited copies of the Kit are available. Contact:

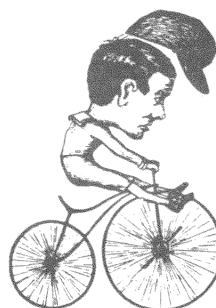
**Queensland Centre for
Prevention of Child Abuse
Ground Floor
Family Services Building
Cnr George and Elizabeth Streets
Brisbane Qld 4000**

Phone: (07) 224 7588

consumer survival kit

The Consumer Survival Kit is an essential exciting resource for youth workers, community workers and any other workers who are likely to be in contact with people experiencing some sort of consumer problem. The Kit contains basic information about rights and obligations in a variety of areas and details where people can go to seek help, support and change.

For a copy of the Kit contact Ruth Mackay, Education Officer, ACT Consumer Affairs Bureau on (06) 275 8393, PO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601.



bicycle safety for young people

About 100 cyclists die on our roads each year and most of those killed are in the 9-16 year old age group. Many of these deaths could have been prevented if all young people wore bicycle helmets and protective, eye-catching clothing when riding and were exposed to comprehensive rider skills training.

"A Simple Guide to Bicycle Safety" is an informative booklet produced by the Federal Office of Road Safety which addresses the problem of cycling safety in relation to young people. Supported by 3 larger than life colourful posters the booklet stresses the importance of knowing road rules, riding correctly and maintaining a bicycle in sound mechanical condition. The posters depict three topics from the booklet: helmet wearing, defensive riding and riding at night.

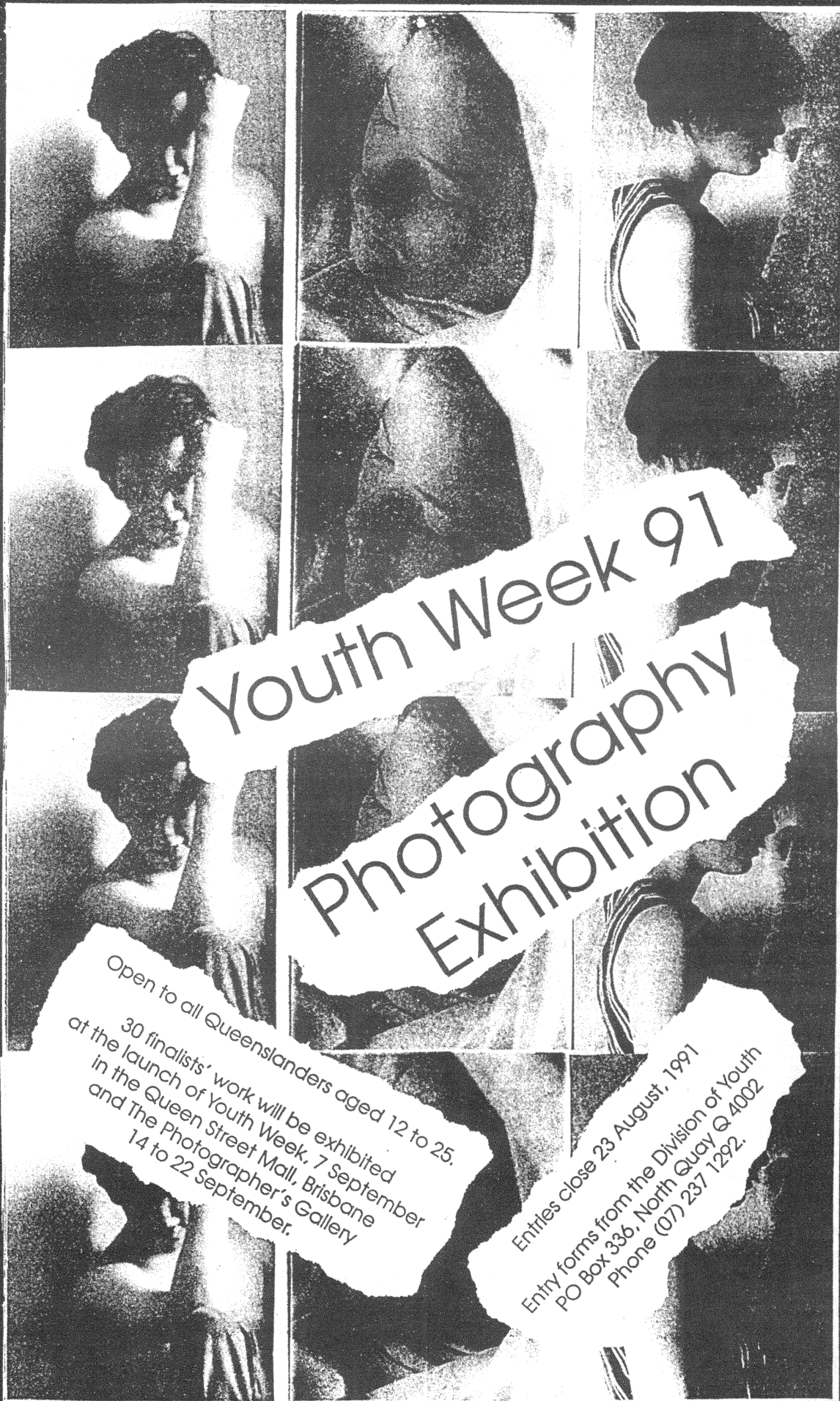
In addition to parents and schools the booklet is also aimed at community groups, bicycle clubs, police and road safety authorities.

The good news is that the booklet and posters are available at no charge.

**Contact the Federal Office of Road Safety on
(008) 026 349.**

A Day in the Life of Young Queensland Photography Project

Youth Week 91 — 7 to 13 September



Theme: 'Something Important or Meaningful to You'

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MAZDA FOUNDATION

*** Grants for Youth Projects ***

YANQ has recently become aware of the existence of the Mazda Foundation as a possible avenue of funding for certain projects involving young people.

Established in 1990, the Mazda Foundation is an independent charitable trust providing assistance to a broad cross section of individuals and organisations throughout Australia. Its aims and objectives include:

" assistance to young people through education and employment skills development, with particular emphasis on children from deprived backgrounds."

Grants are for one-off projects and will generally range from \$5,000 to \$50,000. The Foundations's Trustees will once more be considering applications in the second half of 1991.

Contact either The Secretary, Mazda Foundation, PO Box 183, South Melbourne VIC 3205 or ring Corrie Macdonald, Policy/Research Officer, YANQ on (07) 852 1800 or (008) 177 899.



Queensland Government
Department of Family Services and
Aboriginal and Islander Affairs

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST RE: GRANTS 1991/92

SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SAAP)

Eligible organisations (non-profit welfare organisations, Local Government Authorities, and Charitable trusts) are invited to submit expressions of interest for funding of new services under the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) in the 1991/92 financial year.

SAAP is a joint State/Commonwealth funded program administered in Queensland by the Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs.

The aim of SAAP is the provision of a range of supported accommodation and related support services to assist: women and women with children who are homeless and/or in crisis as a result of domestic violence; and men, women, young people and their dependents who are homeless as a result of crisis and who need assistance to move towards independent living or other appropriate alternatives.

Expressions of interest are to include a brief outline of the target group, service description and sponsoring organisation. For further information contact your local Regional Manager as detailed below.

North Queensland Region
Regional Manager,
Community Services Development,
Department of Family Services
and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs
P.O. Box 5941,
TOWNSVILLE MAIL CENTRE. Q. 4810
Telephone: (077) 22 1110

South-West Queensland
Regional Manager,
Community Services Development,
Department of Family Services
and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs,
P.O. Box 165,
IPSWICH. Q. 4305
Telephone: (07) 280 1777

Brisbane South
Regional Manager,
Community Services Development,
Department of Family Services
and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs,
P.O. Box 540,
WOOLLOONGABBA. Q. 4102
Telephone: (07) 391 6066

Brisbane North
Regional Manager,
Community Services Development,
Department of Family Services
and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs,
P.O. Box 1086,
MILTON CENTRE. Q. 4064
Telephone: (07) 227 5916

Central Region
Regional Manager, Community Services Development,
Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs,
P.O. Box 378, ROCKHAMPTON. Q. 4700
Telephone: (079) 31 9699

Expressions of interest should be forwarded to the relevant Regional Manager by 31st July, 1991.

THE AUSTRALIAN - AMERICAN COMMUNITY EDUCATION GRANT

Administered by the Australian-American Educational Foundation this grant is provided for Australian organisations which serve Australian youth, whether as voluntary associations or in institutional settings. Examples of the former are sport, cultural, leisure or any other associations which cater for young people. The latter could include secondary schools or colleges, sport academies, or any institutionalised framework involving young people.

The aim of the grant is to provide new educational experiences for as many young people as possible and to promote better understanding between the two countries.

The grant will fund the travel cost for a visit by an American expert/teacher/instructor who can contribute to the range and quality of activities undertaken by the applicant. As host, your school or community grant will be responsible for organising activities, liaising with other groups and providing accommodation and living expenses for the guest educator. Obviously, the greater the community involvement, the greater the cost-sharing.

Applicants are requested to propose a detailed program of activities involving an American educator. The grant assessment panel will look for proposals which best suit the visitor's skills and time while providing the greatest benefit to the community. The applicant is responsible for identifying a suitable candidate.

Competition Opens	- 1 July
Competition Closes	- 30 September
Selections take place	- Late October
Applicants notified	- November/December
Award Activated	- Jan-Dec the following year
Period in Australia	- Min. 2 weeks/Max. open

For more information contact:

The Administrator
The Australian-American Educational Foundation
GPO Box 1559
Canberra ACT 2601



Ph: (06) 247 9331
Fx: (06) 249 5292



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SKILLSHARE SPECIAL SERVICES GRANTS FOR DISADVANTAGED YOUNG PEOPLE

This program is designed to assist disadvantaged young people to access and participate in mainstream training programs who are currently unattracted to and uncompetitive in such programs. The grants are available to non-profit incorporated organisations and local government authorities.

AIMS

To provide training and remedial assistance to raise skills to an appropriate level for mainstream training programs, additional counselling/tutoring during mainstream programs and support in overcoming problems in employment.

TARGET

The program targets 16-20 year olds who have an identifiable need for support and are likely to benefit from the assistance offered. Such young people are likely to include those with insecure accommodation, specific learning difficulties, long-term unemployed, those leaving institutional care, and those in marginalised social and cultural groups like Aboriginal young people and young people from non-English speaking backgrounds.

FUNDING

Funding is available through DEET with yearly grants of around \$30,000 or \$60,000.

MORE INFORMATION

The grant will be advertised and applications will be called for in mid to late July 1991. Advertisements will appear in Queensland's major metropolitan and regional newspapers. Your DEET Area Officer will be able to give you further details after that time.

funding for youth arts

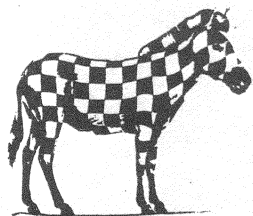
The Queensland Government has recently published an information booklet entitled "Programs of Assistance for the Arts, 1992" which covers a wide range of information on grants and assistance available to organisations and individuals, as well as on how and when to apply.

Topics covered in this easy to read publication include grant programs for festivals, creative and professional development, promotions and marketing, Aboriginal and Islander heritage, publications and training; the application process; and arts support services.

Contact the Arts Division, Dept of the Premier,
Economic and Trade Development on (07) 224
4896 or (008) 175 531 for a free copy.

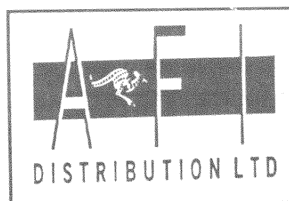
break the mould

"Break the Mould" is a set of 5 colour posters which offer alternative role models for adolescent boys. It is intended that the posters be used to facilitate an examination of masculinity and sex-role stereotyping. They can be used **actively** in a variety of educational programs and are also a **passive** means for countering traditional male images as presented by the media. The set of posters costs of \$25.99 and is available from:



West Education Centre
34 Kingsville Street
West Footscray VIC 3012

Ph: (03) 314 3011

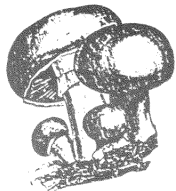


VIDEOS FOR AND ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE

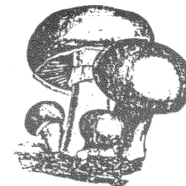
The Australian Film Institute has released a catalogue promoting a number of videos relating to issues affecting young Australians. Issues cover consumer credit, sexual harassment, workers' rights and health issues.

Titles range in length from 10 minutes to an hour and are available for rent from \$20 and for purchase from \$9.

Contact Elly Ellis, AFI Sales on (02) 332 211,
PO Box 522, Paddington NSW 2021.



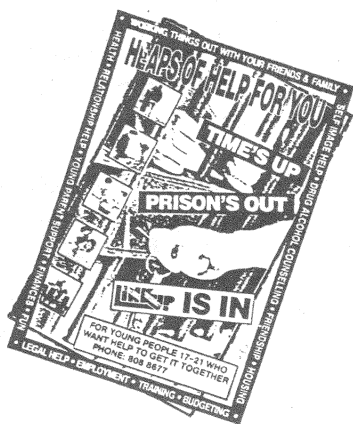
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An intensive support service for 17-21 year old
'young offenders'

"Link up", a new Boystown initiative, is an innovative and timely response to the plight of a severely disadvantaged and alienated group of young people within our society today. Launched in April by Federal Human Rights Commissioner, Mr Brian Burdekin, Link Up is a state wide youth service specifically targeted at young offenders, aged 17-21 years, who require intensive support and supervision to enable them to re-integrate within the community.

Coordinated by Ms Anne Freeman and employing 13 workers, Link Up will offer assistance ranging from friendship and support to accommodation, education and employment options. In conjunction, specific programs aimed at increasing personal and social skills will be offered.



Link Up emphasises the effects of institutionalisation in terms of the dehumanisation that such a system creates with the loss of individuality and loss of self-hood, which is the result of the endless regulations of prison life. It emphasises that Christianity has a belief in the underlying value of human life and the fullest human development of the individual person.

For more information contact:

LINK UP
PO Box 804
Woodridge Qld 4114
Ph: (07) 808 8677
Fax: (07) 808 5003



Successfully launched in on 25 March, Kids Help Line is a free 24 hour telephone counselling service specifically directed at children. Taking on a preventative role Kids Help Line helps any child with any problem at any hour of the day or night. Anyone between the age of 5-18 years of age can ring.

Br. Paul Smith, Director of Boystown and Kids Help Line, is the man who made the vision a reality. Kids now have new hope provided in the form of the anonymity and confidentiality of a free telephone call; the only requirement a child needs is access to a telephone.

Kids Help Line aims to reach the silent sufferers of our younger generation, to break the cycle of abuse; to remove the feelings of hopelessness and helplessness; to fill the gap in existing services and to provide information on you support services in the caller's immediate area.

Kids Help Line will initially respond to the needs of Queensland children. It is then hoped to increase the network to include New South Wales and Victoria, and eventually all of Australia.

PHONE: 008 073 008

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**YANQ 1991 AGM
TO BE HELD
MONDAY 30 SEPTEMBER
AT 7.00PM AT
YANQ
36 BAXTER STREET,
FORTITUDE VALLEY**



What Streetwize is all about...

Streetwize comics aims to provide **survival** information to help young people on practical, legal, health and other **essential** issues.

Streetwize comics work because they are made by direct consultation with groups of young people all over Australia. Each story is based on their real experiences and the accompanying information is carefully checked by experts and workers in each field.

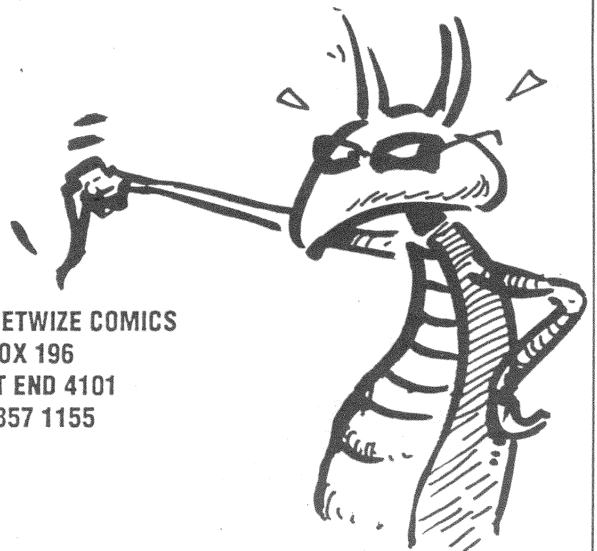
The comic format gets young people interested and stimulated about the issues.

The stories look at young people in crisis situations and realistically portray their position and the alternatives. They include lists of useful contact places and people who can help.

Long stories detail the issues and highlight important points, while shorter humorous strips give specific information and easy referral.

The comics are 20 to 36 pages, 20 by 27cm, with full colour back and front cover.

STREETWIZE COMICS
PO BOX 196
WEST END 4101
(07) 857 1155



NEW FROM

STREETWIZE

No 9 Social Security rights and benefits

No 12 Girls drugs and self esteem
Streetwize has a close look at issues affecting young women; sexual double standards, advertising and body-image, physical disability and self-assertiveness.

No 13 Jobs, training and your rights.
A special comic on employment issues for young people. It covers training options, casual and part time work, rip-offs, discrimination, unions, awards and non-traditional jobs.

No 14 Family split-ups

This comic covers a range of issues including family conflict, custody, the family court, advocacy services, youth refuges, domestic violence and counselling services.

No 15 AIDS and Young People
Streetwize examines what exactly is "high risk behaviour". The comic attempts to dispel fears young people have about AIDS.

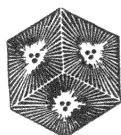
No 16 Consumer Rights

A comic full of information. Buying a used car, tenancy, contracts, credit cards, debt, door to door sales, how to avoid rip-offs and how to make complaints.

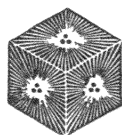
No 17 Education / Student Allowances
This comic contains information on AUSTUDY and ABSTUDY. Five stories provide a general view of educational options, career choices and the problems young people face.

No 18 Youth Participation

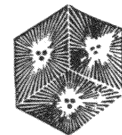
This comic deals with voting and other forms of involvement in the political process through six stories about issues affecting young people



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3-5 July 1991

SOCIAL POLICY IN AUSTRALIA UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

The Conference is intended to provide a forum for public discussion of social policy issues and for the presentation of policy relevant research results. Participation is expected from academic researchers, policy-makers, administrators, professionals in service delivery, and other people concerned with social policy and social welfare issues. There will be special papers from invited overseas and Australian researchers.

Phone Jennifer Young, Conference Secretary, University of New South Wales, PO Box 1, Kensington NSW 2033 on (02) 697 5150.

29 September - 4 October 1991

SOCIAL WORKERS TAKING ACTION ADELAIDE

The 22nd National Conference of the Australian Association of Social Workers aims to look at the place of social work in the 1990's - where do its philosophies and ideas fit in a changing and less humane world? In a climate of rapid technological innovation, increasing ethical dilemmas and growing entrepreneurialism the answer to this question is not clear cut.

Contact: The Secretary, 1991 Conference Planning Committee, GPO Box 2136, Adelaide SA 5001.

10-14 December 1991

AUSTRALIAN SOCIOLOGY CONFERENCE PERTH

The theme of the Australian Sociology Association's Conference is Empowerment, Regulation and Social Change.

Topics will include: health and medicine; law and criminology; youth studies; social inequality and welfare; education; family and reproductive issues; gender and sexuality; linguistic and literary sociology; media; race; ethnicity and multiculturalism; architecture and urban forms; science, technology and environment; sport and leisure; theory and methodology; and work and industrial sociology.

Phone the Conference Officer, Murdoch University Extension, South St, Murdoch WA 6150 on (09) 332 2764

12 July 1991

YACA YOUTH AFFAIRS CONGRESS NEWMAN COLLEGE, MELBOURNE

Phone YACA on (03) 696 1696

19 July 1991

YOUTH INSEARCH INFORMATION EVENING

**Queensland Corrective Services Commission's
Staff Development Centre, Wacol**

The Queensland Corrective Services Commission, in conjunction with the Youth Insearch Foundation has pleasure in hosting an information evening on the Youth Insearch Program.

Youth Insearch offers a learning experience which works by encouraging participants to deal with their reality and take positive steps in life.

Youth Insearch camps are designed and run by youth with a group of supportive adults. Topics explored at camps include communication, self-esteem, sexuality and the adolescent, relationships and relaxation. These sessions are conducted by qualified adults and Youth Insearch leaders.

The goals of the Youth Insearch Program and the Queensland Corrective Services Commission are highly complementary. The Commission strongly believes this program will be a valuable addition to the range of youth and adult services in Queensland.

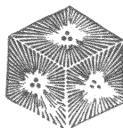
RSVP

**Mrs Sonny Laver
Prisoner Welfare Directorate
Queensland Corrective Services Commission
GPO Box 154
Brisbane Qld 4000**

Phone (07) 227 6634



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Come along to ➤ ➤ ➤

SPECIAL S.E.Q.Y.A.C. Information Workshop

✧ EXCITING! ✧
ZAP! ZAP! ZAP!

Date: Friday, 12th July, 1991
Where: Queensland Health Development Centre
Address: 59 Costin Street, Fortitude Valley
Time: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Information: Simon Dilly - The Lodge - 07 266 2155
Tim Wilson - Youth Housing Project
- 07 262 8679
Cost: Free to S.E.Q.Y.A.C. members
Lunch: Own arrangements (good pubs nearby)

YUM! YUM!

AGENDA

The morning session will cover topics discussed at the last S.E.Q.Y.A.C. Special Housing Workshop, including:

1. 50 Places - Head-leasing Transfer Scheme (Department of Housing and Local Government)
2. Housing Policy Review - Focus Groups
3. Community Rent Scheme and Housing Resource Scheme (ex H.R.W. Programme)
4. Boarding House Working Party
5. Changes to unemployment benefit
6. S.E.Q.Y.A.C.'s position on Commonwealth/State relations and SAAP

The afternoon session will involve S.E.Q.Y.A.C., Shelter, QCOSS, YANQ, the Coalition of Generalist Services and the Women's Services Network. We will discuss the review of Commonwealth/State relations with regards to welfare programmes including SAAP.



coping with kids

Beenleigh DFS family resource worker Chris Toussaint, will be running a "Coping with Kids" course from 23 July for 8 weeks.

When: Tuesdays - 9.30am - 12.30pm
Where: WILL PROBABLY BE HELD AT BEENLEIGH COURT HOUSE
Content:

- * Behaviour and misbehaviour
- * Needs (parents and kids)
- * Conflict
- * Discipline consequences/principles
- * Childhood development
- * Communicating with kids
- * Self-esteem building
- * Learning difficulties
- * Step families
- * Community networking

For more information contact Chris on
(07) 287 4422.

YOUTH AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE WORKSHOPS

Facilitated by Peter Healey and David Mooney, YSTC

Where: Toowoomba
When: 5-7 August
Where: Hervey Bay
When: September (re-scheduled from June)
Cost: \$60

Contact Pam Searle, YSTC, on (07) 237 1304.



REVIEW OF CONCESSIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Queensland State Government has formed an Inter-Departmental Committee (IDC) to review the range of concessions offered by the State to various groups in the community.

YANQ has been asked to participate in the review by commenting on those (limited) concessions that are presently available to young people and to suggest other concessions which might be offered.

The short amount of time available to provide this basic information to the IDC means that YANQ would like to make a brief response in the next few weeks.

If you have any views or suggestions about State Government concessions please let us know as soon as possible either by mail or by phone (07)852 1800 or (008) 177 899.

WE HAVE MOVED !

FERAL ARTS

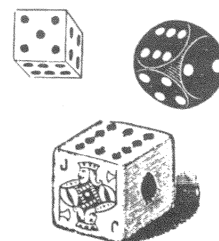
has moved from Woodridge to Beenleigh.
You can now find us at:

**Old Sout Hall
Kent Street
PO Box 1270
Beenleigh Qld 4207**

Phone: (07) 807 1175

**If you would like us to publicise a change of address please write to YANQ,
PO Box 116, Fortitude Valley Qld 4006**

POSITIONS VACANT POSITIONS WANTED



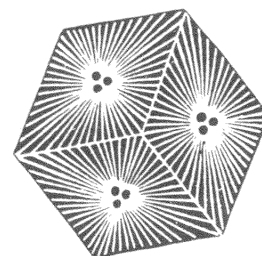
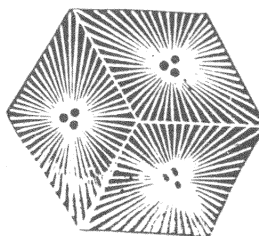
**Allison Ogg
300 Rafting Ground Rd
Brookfield Qld 4069**

(07) 374 1015

My four years of counselling experience should be of interest to any agency like yours.

I have acquired skills in most phases of counselling, including assessment, one to one counselling, guidance, report writing, program development, communication skills, supervision skills and most importantly the ability to work in a team.

I have recently relocated to Brisbane and I am sure that I can contribute to the growth and development of your organisation. I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you.



TWO FIELD SERVICE OFFICERS WANTED!

A letter has been written to the Division of Youth on behalf of the Beenleigh and District Interagency regarding the non-placement of the Field Service Officer for the South Brisbane region under that position. However members are urged to write on behalf of their own workplace for maximum effect. The Field Service Officer's position for the South Coast region has also been vacant for considerable time.

**If you are concerned letters could be sent to
either**

**the Director of the Division of Youth,
PO Box 336, North Quay Qld 4002
or to the Minister Bob Gibbs,
Dept of Tourism, Sport and Racing,
GPO Box 354,**

Youth Affairs Network of Queensland

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
YANQ, PO BOX 116, FORTITUDE VALLEY QLD 4006

Name _____ Service _____

Address _____

Telephone () _____ Fax _____

Membership Category Applied For:

Ordinary (Community-based worker or service) ☐ Associate (Government worker or service) ☐

Membership Fee Payable:

Non-waged individual	\$5.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waged individual (community and government)	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

I enclose cheque for _____ in payment of membership fees.

Signature _____ Date _____

Evaluate Yourself.

"EVALUATE YOURSELF" is the title of a new handbook designed to assist alcohol and other drug treatment agencies to evaluate their treatment programs.

The handbook has been developed from research funded by the Research Into Drug Abuse Program of the National Campaign Against Drug Abuse. It presents one way of evaluating treatment programs which has been developed in and specifically for alcohol and other drug agencies in Australia. It does not intend to be a general textbook on the theory and method of evaluation; rather it offers a guideline for action to assist practitioners doing their own evaluation.

It is simple, practical, easy to follow and assumes no previous knowledge regarding evaluation. It does not adopt a set of hard and fast rules; but rather it aims to start from wherever the agency currently is at and to encourage staff to identify and pursue those issues most relevant to themselves. The handbook is 52 pages in length, with its material well-structured and supported by examples.

Staff at those agencies which receive NCADA funding are asked to note that this handbook is designed for the purpose of self evaluation and is not to be confused with the agency evaluation which currently is being conducted for NCADA.

The handbook is available for \$5 to cover postage and handling from the Alcohol and Drug Foundation - Queensland by completing and returning the Order Form.

ORDER FORM
"Evaluate Yourself"

Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Please find enclosed a for \$5 to cover postage and handling.

Return form to: ADFQ, P.O. Box 320, SPRING HILL, Qld. 4004.

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