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North East Citizen Advocacy Inc

North East Citizen Advocacy Newsletter

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Welcome everyone!

Since our last newsletter we have made 2 new citizen advocacy matches. Best wishes on your journey together to:

[Paul & Lisa](#)

[Denise & Tania](#)



Did you Know?

As an advocate you can inquire on behalf of your match on all NDIS issues, without becoming a "nominee" to their plan.

You do this by calling the NDIS with your participant present and have yourself added as a "contact." You can then advocate on behalf of your participant should the need arise.

Remember, if you need assistance with all things NDIS, you can call us on 8407 3684.



As most of you know Alisha has gone on Maternity leave and will return to her role as Individual Advocate in August 2019.

However, we are delighted to announce that Alisha has recently given birth to a healthy and beautiful baby girl, Lucy. Happy to report that mum and Lucy are both doing well.

Here is a picture of Lucy at 1 week old.



We welcome three new volunteers who have joined the NECA Committee of Management.

They bring with them a wealth of knowledge, experience and passion. They are:

Yuwei Liu

Ryan Crofts

Luke Robinson

To learn more about them, please visit our web site or click [here](#)



After some 26 years of working at NECA, Rita has decided that it is time to say farewell to us and will be leaving at the end of October.

From the COM & the staff we wish Rita well in her retirement and we say thank you for your dedication. Your sense of fun will be missed in the office.



Citizen Advocacy Conference

Recently NECA attended a national citizen advocacy conference.

Seven Citizen advocacy organisations from around the country came together in Perth to share experiences and learn from each other, with a commitment to work as one to promote and grow awareness of citizen advocacy in Australia.

Thank you to the Citizen Advocacy Trust of Australia for supporting two representatives from NECA to attend.



NECA FUNDRAISER - October 29

We have booked our spot at Bunnings in Thomastown for our BBQ fundraiser.

Thank you to all who are able to volunteer to grill and serve snags on the day. Even if you are not volunteering, please drop by anyway and say hello.

Thank you to COLES Supermarket in Eltham for their donation.



Become a Member of NECA

Do you know that you can become a Member of NECA?

Membership enables individuals to vote and to support NECA's purpose.

Memberships is \$10 per individual or \$5 concession.

Please contact the office for further information on (03) 8407 3684.

Feedback and Complaints

North East Citizen Advocacy strives to ensure that all program participants are the centre of our program and delivery. We invite you to participate in our feedback and complaints process via a call or our feedback forum www.citizenadvocacy.com.au

Other services:

Disability Commissioner: 1800 677 342

Office of the Public Advocate: 1300 309 33

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