

THEIR FIELD TRIP SO FAR

April – June 2017



JACQUI (19): Local resident, Jacqui, started in February 2017 as a Driver in Training, with very little professional experience in youth work or education. She has volunteered her time to learn about The Field Trip and how to run programs and activities for young people, how to engage and empower them and has developed her skills and confidence enormously in the process. Jacqui has accepted a paid position as a Driver (leader) commencing in July 2017.

"I think the Field Trip is a good opportunity for kids to find their passion and consider careers they would like to pursue in the future. I really enjoy working there because I have been learning as well as the kids. It has a really good atmosphere and encourages a positive attitude towards the future."

Our mission: To help young people find their **passion, peers and path.**



CHLOE (13): Chloe has been involved with The Field Trip since it started in August 2015. She has been part of every project and contributed enormously. Highlights for Chloe have certainly been producing a podcast and being on radio, as well as building a cubby house for charity, running a weekend retreat for seniors and producing a dedicated YouTube channel on healthy eating. Chloe was recently invited to speak about her own passion, peers and path at a Loddon Murray Community Leadership event where she was awarded the honour of being MP for a Day by local MP Mary-Anne Thomas.



MAEVE (12): Maeve comes from Coburg every Sunday, once part of the Melbourne Field Trip, she loved it so much she joined our Riddells Creek chapter and still loves it, making lots of new friends. One of our most dedicated members, Maeve jumped in feet first with our Term One YouFood project, bringing her own healthy cake to a session and loving Term 2, particularly the session on circus. She has already signed up for Term 3.

KEY STATS AND NEWS:

One chapter: Riddells Creek Neighbourhood House

Total number of employed leaders (aged 18-24): 2

Total number of members (aged 9-17): 19

Winner of 2017 Trailblazer Award: from Central Ranges Local Learning and Employment Network for Youth Engagement, Social Enterprise and Employment.

NEW PARTNERSHIPS:

Permablitz: great [article](#) about our Term 3 Farmlette Project

Wonderful guest facilitators included: Cr Janet Peace, Melissa Sweeney (Yoga), Paul Canlan (Drama), Thomas Furber (Engineer), Vern Hardie (Connected Circus), Amy Citroen (Signature Dance Studio) and Kate Lawrence (Story Wise)

Loddon Murray Community Leadership Program: co-event on June 18th to announce MP for a Day (with MP Mary-Anne Thomas)

QUOTE OF THE QUARTER:

From Mele Vi (a Field Trip Driver in 2016): "Love seeing all the Field Trip updates. Congratulations again. Thought I'd let you know my cousin who used to attend at the Melb Field Trip still remembers the sleepover at Urban Seed and what she learned about homelessness – very powerful, thank you."