



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Making things better for Australia's future



Australia has to be a country that can make things and stand on its own feet. The COVID pandemic exposed severe deficiencies in our economy, particularly our ability to manufacture products here and be globally competitive.

After eight long years of neglect presided over by consecutive Liberal leaders, we need vision to put the country back on the road to prosperity.

Building new industries and boosting our existing industries is an excellent opportunity for Australia to recover from the COVID pandemic with a stronger, fairer economy.

It's time for a national reconstruction effort that's squarely focused on creating good, secure jobs with fair pay and conditions.

Over 2 million Australians are still unemployed or underemployed, unable to find a job or get enough hours to support their families.

A Labor government would allocate \$15 billion to partner with the private sector (including superannuation funds) to support investments that demonstrate they will grow the economy and increase employment.

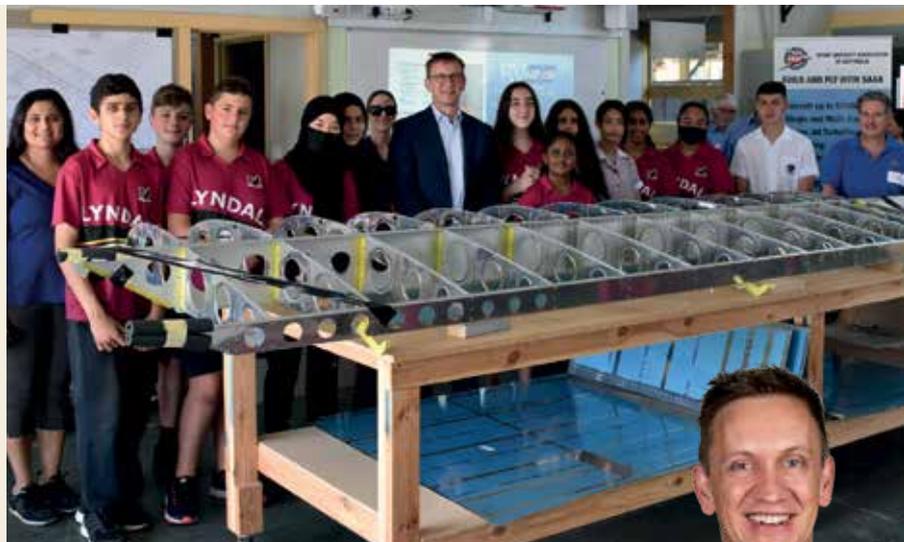
When it comes to investing in job creation, Labor is on your side.

[➔ See inside for how to protect yourself from scams](#)

Local students learning to build a plane

Students at Lyndale Secondary College in Dandenong North are helping build a Van's RV12 sports plane as part of their STEM program.

Three other schools in different states of Australia are each building a different component of the light aircraft. Students will have an opportunity to learn to fly the assembled plane.





Enjoying playtime during a visit to the new **KingKids early learning centre and kindergarten**, which has just opened in Hallam.



Trying out the new fitness zone equipment, funded by a \$5,000 Local Schools Community Fund grant, at **Mary MacKillop School in Narre Warren North**.



Cutting the ribbon to open the new accessible entrance pathway and ramp, and shaded seating area at **Chalcot Lodge Primary School in Endeavour Hills**.

Saving your superannuation



The Morrison Liberal government should do the right thing and rule out cutting superannuation.

A cut to super is a cut to your pay, and every Australian understands that. There's no evidence to show that scrapping the promised increase in the rate of superannuation guarantee contributions would actually result in wage increases.

Politicians are often rightly criticised for not thinking about the long term for the country. However, in the 1980s, the Labor government introduced compulsory superannuation to raise the living standards of ordinary Australians in retirement.



Superannuation is for retirement savings – not a piggy bank to be raided for every problem the Morrison government won't take responsibility for.

In the early months of the pandemic, Australians (usually on low incomes) withdrew more from their superannuation than the government spent on JobKeeper and JobSeeker combined. As a result, 600,000 Australians now have zero dollars in their retirement savings accounts.

Getting people to withdraw super to buy houses is another bad idea that the government should scrap. It would reduce retirement savings and push up housing prices. You don't make housing more affordable by making it more expensive.

If you want the security of a universal superannuation system, Labor is on your side.

Stay alert for scams



Everyone is vulnerable to scams, so everyone needs information about how to identify and avoid them.

Some people think that only the gullible and greedy fall victim to scams. The truth is scammers are very cunning. If you don't know what to look out for, anyone can fall victim to a scam.

Ways to help protect you from scams

- If you are unsure about the sender, delete the message—don't reply or try to unsubscribe to the email or SMS.
- Never send your personal, credit card, or online account details in an email.
- Don't access banking or other online accounts from an email link—use a bookmarked link or type in the address.
- Always check the website address carefully (scammers often set up fake websites with similar addresses).
- Always read the terms and conditions carefully – 'free offers' often have hidden costs.
- Check the Australian business name register at www.asic.gov.au. You can also search for the business name or scheme through a search engine.
- Install software that protects you from viruses and unwanted programs and keep it updated.

For more information and advice

Scamwatch

Information for consumers and small businesses about how to recognise, avoid and report scams.

www.scamwatch.gov.au

Consumer Affairs Victoria

Learn how common scams work and what to do if you get scammed

Tel 1300 558 181 www.consumer.vic.gov.au

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Australian Communications and Media Authority

Report or make a complaint about email or SMS spam. Do Not Call Register to reduce phone calls from people selling goods and services

Tel 1300 850 115

www.acma.gov.au

Australian Cyber Security Centre

Advice about how to protect yourself, your family and your business online

www.cyber.gov.au

IDCARE

Help for individuals and organisations to reduce the harm experienced from the compromise and misuse of their identity information

Tel : 1800 595 160

www.idcare.org

eSafety Commissioner

Online safety programs and resources, and help to take action or make a complaint if you experience online bullying or abuse

www.esafety.gov.au



At the launch of Australia's first electric and hybrid vehicle battery re-manufacturing exchange facility at **Injectronics in Hallam**. Better for the environment and much cheaper for vehicle owners.



Congratulating **Greater Dandenong's 2021 Citizen of the Year, Selba Luka**. Selba is the inspirational founder and CEO of Afri-Aus Care – serving African migrants and the whole community.



Fabulous to see the community spirit displayed by our many local sports and recreation groups, like the **Hallam Tennis Club**.

Support needed for crisis accommodation

Caring local organisations like Endeavour Ministries need more support for their crucial work.

Hundreds of women and children fleeing violence in Melbourne's south-east are turned away from crisis accommodation each year because of the Morrison government's abject failure to properly fund emergency accommodation.

The lack of funding for emergency accommodation means fewer beds at shelters for women and children fleeing family violence.

The Liberals funded forty Safe Places projects nationally. Yet only seven



were in Victoria, and none were in the City of Casey, a council area with a high incidence of family violence.

No one should be left without the support they need to get away from family violence.



Australia is falling behind under Scott Morrison

Our nation is going backwards under the Liberals, and falling behind much of the rest of the world.

Australia is less productive, more unequal, more corrupt, less happy, more indebted, less affluent, and less trusting of public institutions than when the Liberal Party government was elected in 2013.

Australians deserve a government that acts in their interests. We must, and can, do better.

The Australia's Global Performance: Falling Behind report, collated by Julian Hill, brings together publicly available, reputable data and global rankings of key measures of Australia's progress and wellbeing.

To read more, or download your free copy of this report, visit www.julianhillmp.com/FallingBehindReport

Congratulations

Julian can arrange congratulations for special birthdays and wedding anniversaries.

Depending on the occasion, messages of congratulation can be arranged from the Premier of Victoria, Prime Minister, Governor of Victoria, Governor-General and the Queen for:

- 90th birthdays
- 100th birthdays
- 50th wedding anniversaries
- 60th wedding anniversaries
- 65th wedding anniversaries.

Please contact Julian at least six weeks prior to the event.

Julian is here to help you

As your representative in the Australian parliament, Julian Hill is available to assist you with anything involving the government.

Julian is also here to help whenever you, or your family, encounter problems with government services.

Please contact Julian anytime you want assistance, to discuss a local or national issue, or make a suggestion.

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