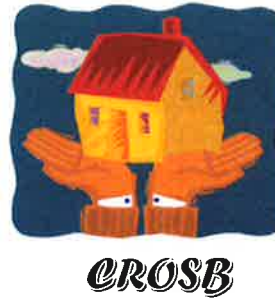


Disability Services Newsletter

August - September 2016



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NDIS UPDATE

- NDIS commences in the Fraser Coast, North & South Burnett including Cherbourg on 1 July 2018.
- NDIS commences in Toowoomba including Southern & Western Downs, Goondiwindi and Yarraman on 1 January 2017.
- A **Continuity of Support Program** has been developed for people aged 65 years and over, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples aged 50 and over, who are receiving specialist disability services but are not eligible for the NDIS.
- National Disability Service has also been discussing Continuity of Support arrangements for people who are employed in an Australian Disability Enterprise (ADE).
- For more information on the NDIS visit the website www.ndis.gov.au and www.nds.org.au
- South Burnett CTC is currently registering as a service provider for NDIS.
- Date Claimer—CTC Disability Services Open Day on the 10 November 2016.

A Word from the Service Manager

Welcome to the new Disability Services Newsletter! We hope you enjoy the new look and benefit from a more informative way to keep you up to date with what CTC's Disability Services are doing across the organisation.

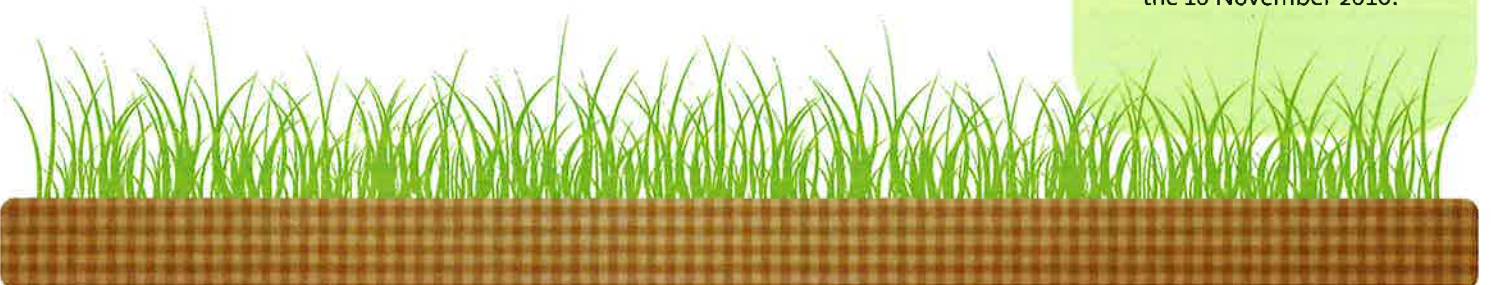
CROSB (Community Respite Options South Burnett) and The Gumnut Place collectively provide a variety of support and/or employment for almost 100 people with disabilities.

As we move towards the NDIS service model we want you to be informed of the variety of services available.

We have recently been nationally recognised for providing innovative training/employment opportunities with high quality employment conditions in our Australian Disability Enterprise "Gumnut Place".

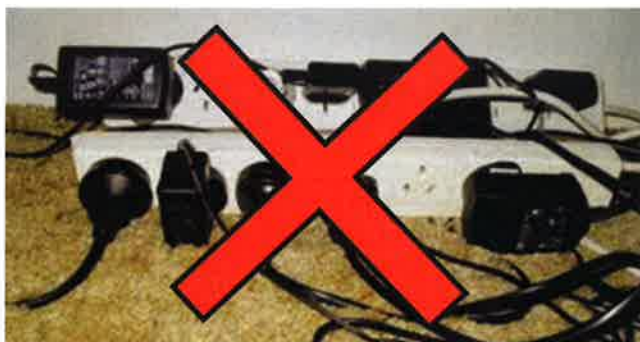
This further demonstrates the commitment South Burnett CTC have to providing and achieving personal and professional outcomes for people with disabilities in our community.

Barb



Safety Tips in home from Worksafe Qld

- ◆ Never overload a power point.
- ◆ Only use power boards with low power items like televisions, videos and stereos and not with high power items such as room heaters, clothes dryers and washing machines.
- ◆ Do not use power boards or double adaptors in wet areas.
- ◆ Do not leave power boards covered with a mass of power leads, clothes, papers or other clutter.



Keep watch for the CROSB Survey being distributed in coming weeks.



SUPPORTING PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY IN THE COMMUNITIES OF THE SOUTH BURNETT



The talented Phil and his painting (Green Cat) at the 2016 Brisbane Exhibition.



CROSB Super heroes spotted in Kingaroy Mall!

Where did we park the bat mobile???

July Group Night

The July Group Night provided learnings about First Aid and Cyber Safety. Kingaroy State Emergency Service came to the Enterprise Centre and told the group how to treat basic wounds and bites including applying a bandage. Everyone practiced applying bandages to each other. The fake blood they brought along was a real hit!

The Kingaroy State High School Adopt-A-Cop Samantha Giles gave everyone information about how to be safe online. She told clients to think before they post on social media, suggested they don't accept friend requests from people they don't know and to say no when they get calls from telemarketers. There is a lot of useful information on cyber safety on the Australian Federal Police website: <http://www.thinkuknow.org.au/>

The Lions Club organised fish and chips from Red Rooster for dinner.

August Group Night

For Group Night in August we played board games at the Kingaroy Bowls Club. There were lots of different games including Pirate Snap, Uno, Monopoly and Connect 4. Somebody brought Uno Stacko along however everyone soon forgot the rules and tried to build the tallest towers instead. Although everyone enjoyed playing the board games they seemed to enjoy seeing each other more. For dinner we had a barbeque of sausages and rissoles. There were also salads and fruit provided by Gumnut.

Upcoming Staff TRAINING

Diabetes Training

People Handling

Food Handling

Strength Based Training

Medication

Certificate IV in Disability

Pallet Making

Our wood workshop is expanding at an alarming rate with another two new pallet customers from Mundubbera in past weeks. Our heat treatment kiln is conducting a charge every week to keep up with demand for quality products.



Community and Government Support for Gumnut Place

- ◆ The Tarong Community Partnership Fund have generously provided support to Gumnut Place to concrete the area between the kiln and the workshop and funds to cover the material costs to extend the laundry.
- ◆ The Queensland Government initiative Skilling Queenslanders for Work have funded a Community Work Skills Traineeship project to provide the labour for the laundry extension while giving 10 trainees the opportunity to gain a Certificate I in Construction.



Congratulations Daniel who started as a full time permanent Support Worker recently after commencing at Gumnut Place on 1 January 2005 as a Supported Employee in the workshop.



Graham's

Green Thumb



Media Coverage—Visit the link to the ABC story

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-06-14/gumnut-place-pressures-on-pallet->



Dr Joan McKenna-Kerr, NDS President; The Hon Jane Prentice, Assistant Minister for Disability Services; Nina Temperton, SBCTC CEO; Barb O'Hanlon, SB CTC Disability Services Manager

The National Disability Services "Australian Disability Enterprise Excellence Award 2016" was awarded to The Gumnut Place at the Disability at Work Conference in Canberra on 30 May. Gumnut Place was established in 1986 by family and friends of people living with a disability as a response to the need for local supported employment opportunities. Based in Murgon and part of South Burnett CTC Inc's Disability Services since 2007, Gumnut Place now provides meaningful work for 20 Supported Employees through five business streams including a wood workshop, commercial kitchen, commercial laundry, a trophy and engraving service and a secure document destruction service.

Each Supported Employee is supervised and mentored to work safely and productively at their own capacity and to transition into open employment if they have a goal to do so.



Gumnut Place Team at CTC Day (photo courtesy of southburnett.com.au)



Checkout the before/after shots of the Gumnut garden demonstrating Graham's Green Thumb!



Upcoming EVENTS

◆ 9th Annual Disability Art Show - 1 November – 30 November 2016

Sponsors of this event would like to invite people with a disability to exhibit art and craft works of all mediums in the 2016 Disability Art Show at the Kingaroy Art Gallery.

Entry forms available at www.torkit.com.au or contact CROSB

Opening Day - Saturday 5 November 2016 - 10am – noon

Free Admission | Door Prizes | People's Choice Award

◆ Disability Action Week - "Fun in the Park Day" Saturday 17 September 2016, 10am - 2pm at Memorial Park (near Rotunda)

The event will be "entry free" for all to come and enjoy which will include a free sausage sizzle.

◆ Relay for Life - 8-9 October 2016, Kingaroy Showgrounds, 3pm Saturday to 9am Sunday. Contact CROSB to find out how to donate or join our team!



◆ Upcoming Group Night—please note reduction in pricing

September

SATELLITE CINEMA
See you at the movies

Movies

20 September - 6pm to 8pm
Kingaroy Satellite Cinema
4 Short Street Kingaroy

Cost - \$18
No meal - popcorn and drink only

RSVP - 16 September 2016

October

Spooky Disco

Spooky Disco

18 October - 6pm to 8pm
Enterprise Centre
6 Cornish Street Kingaroy

Cost - \$15
Menu: Lasagne/Quiche/Salad

RSVP - 14 October 2016

Please advise of any special dietary requirements.

We value your



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