

Length of Service Acknowledgments – as at 1 July 2011

The dedication and contribution of the CLRS staff is appreciated.

| 5 Years | 7 Years | 8 Years | 9 Years | 10 years | 11 years | 12 years |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Chris Todd | Anne Dawson | Eileen Castledine | Marilyn Chamberlain | Candy Fanning | Suzanna Barry | Patti Thomas |
| Sandra Brown | Alan Sizeland | Helen Sivesind | Sue Portelli | Michelle Bubb | Meaghan Broom | Jo Lawrence |
| Peter Foster | Linda McLeod | | Deb McDonald | Leeanne Carland | Daryl Bowers | Donna McManus |
| Marita Brown | Lil Read | | Naomi Haydon | Brain Watson | | 13 years |
| Janice Brown | | | Liz McCumber | Deb Oswald | | Neville Vicary |
| Helen Roberts | | | Teresa Norris | Jodie Ash | | Kaylene Barker |
| Andrea Johnston | | | Geoff Swalling | | | Di Huber |
| Sue Cann | | | Rosemary Hermans | | | 15 Years |
| | | | Cynthia Harbridge | | | Jan Maddick |
| | | | Sue Fern | | | 16 years |
| | | | | | | Faye Sizeland |



Community Living
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From the CEO

Congratulations to Fran Galvin, OAM, who recently won the 2011 Westpac Community Treasurers' Award. These awards recognise the voluntary work of community treasurers across Australia. Fran was one of three winners, out of a record number of 513 nominations. Fran has a long association with CLRS, and was on the founding Board of Management in 1979. Fran has remained a focused and passionate member of the Board. Fran has requested that the \$5,000 prize be directed to one of the goals of the 2010 Autism Research Project.

Planning is now underway for the new financial year. We are delighted to have received generous support from a number of trust funds which will enable us to continue to provide the Club Teen program in 2011-12.

Following the successful Greek Fundraising Luncheon held in Melbourne last year, we will be holding this for a second time on Sunday November 20, 2011. This is a family event and the proceeds will assist with future service development.

Following a suggestion from a CLRS family, the Complaints and Comments form is now available on our website.

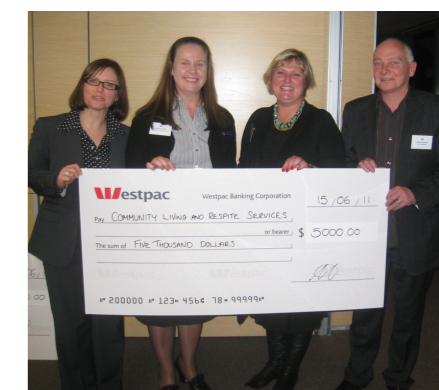
Have you registered your support of the National Disability Insurance Scheme? Please log on to the website and register your support. The more people who support this scheme, the more likely Members of Parliament will vote that this be introduced to benefit people with disabilities across Australia. www.everyaustraliancounts.com.au

I hope you enjoy reading the newsletter. Past copies are also available on our website.

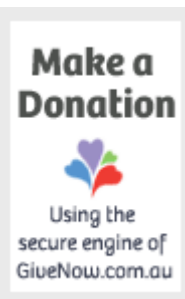
www.clrs.org.au. *Suzanna Barry*



Fran Galvin OAM, Treasurer of
Community Living & Respite Services Inc.



Julianne Price (Westpac), Suzanna Barry,
Cletus Gilmour, Denis Moriarty (Our Community)



Donations

Donations may be made at the office or online at www.clrs.org.au
Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Your support will make a difference!

Have your say - complaints & comments

Should issues or concerns arise please feel free to raise them with the relevant House Manager, Co-ordinator or Team Leader in order to find a suitable resolution.

Alternatively, pick up a Suggestion Comments or Complaints Form. You can collect one from the office, from our website or at Club Teen. Someone can help you complete the form and then you can bring it in or post it to 26A Percy St, Echuca.

Comments forms are located in the foyer area of the office at 26A Percy St, Echuca or www.clrs.org.au We hope to hear from you.

Community Living & Respite Services Inc. provides support services to people with disabilities, the aged and their families in the Echuca region.

For more information contact Intake & Planning Coordinator Donna McManus on 03 5480 2388 or refer to our website www.clrs.org.au.

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What's New?

House Managers/Coordinators

We recently farewelled Kathryn Ludbey-Pickens and Sally Carrington. We appreciate the contribution of both Kathryn and Sally and wish them well as they pursue new careers in Aged Care.

Welcome to the new Coordinators Rainy Sharma and Sue Edwards. Rainy is coordinating Independent Living/Outreach and Veterans and Sue Edwards is coordinating the Club Teen program.

Other internal changes have occurred, with Suellen Betts coordinating Respite and Leanne Hanson coordinating Waratah House.

The organisation structure is available on our website. www.clrs.org.au

"Naidoc Week"



is to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

A flag raising ceremony will be held Monday 4th July at Njernda from 11.30am. RSVP to Kristie Hearn 5482 6566

For more information contact Njernda on 5480 6252

A flourishing vegie garden!



The house mates at Mitchell Street have enjoyed a fresh supply of herbs and vegetables over the last few months. Pictured above is Kyle watering the delicious crop!

Collaboration

We enjoy working with many wonderful organisations across our local and regional areas and recognise that positive partnerships result in positive outcomes for our service users.

Thankyou

Jill and John Kenley generously donated 2 leather lounges for our Bowen House Respite Program. Thankyou!

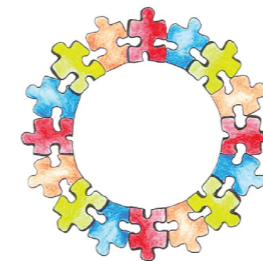
Thank you to the RE Ross Trust, Newsboys, Jack Brockhoff Foundation and the Elsie Murray Trust for generous donations to assist with Club Teen and Social Skills Programs.

Bowen House

Bowen House was first established in 2007 as an alternate "cottage" style respite to provide a break for older carers. Bowen House continues to provide specialised respite and is also available for bookings for people with an Individual Support Package. For further information, please contact House Manager, Chris Todd 5480 777.



Supporting Parents of Children with Autism & Asperger's Syndrome



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- Parent to Parent Support
- Autism Spectrum Disorder Events
- Programs & Workshops
- Autism Awareness & Understanding
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The Elsie Murray Trust recently donated funds to assist with the purchase of books for the SPOCAAS library. Pictured below is a group of excited mums viewing the new titles. If you would like to borrow books from the SPOCAAS library (and/or CLRS other resources) please see Kadie or Chrissy at reception.



Club Teen

Each Wednesday afternoon the children attending Club Teen enjoy a fitness session with Personal Trainer Cameron Phillips. One mum recently said that the training session with Cameron is the highlight of her daughter's week!



Child Protection – Information is available at Club Teen regarding reporting processes for Child Protection Concerns. CLRS is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children. For more information please contact the CLRS office.