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WATCH GAZETTE

WATCH COUNCIL NEWS



WATCH
CELEBRATING
30 YEARS
in 2018



WATCH Values

- ◆ *Quality of Life*
- ◆ *Empathy*
- ◆ *Respect for each individual*
- ◆ *Honest communication*



CEO MESSAGE

What an exciting year we are having at WATCH.

Thirty years ago WATCH opened its doors to a small group of individuals who were looking for a safe and happy place to learn and grow. WATCH has expanded its services over the years, reaching more individuals and opening another facility in Springvale.

This year we also see WATCH embracing the NDIS with about half of our participants now being funded through NDIS, which has enabled WATCH to offer a more diverse range of services, to meet our participants' needs.

Another change for WATCH this year, is we are now open for 50 weeks with a two week shut down over the Christmas/New Year period.

WATCH continues to meet all challenges within the new disability environment, ensuring a smooth transition for all our participants.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday September 28th	Public Holiday
Monday November 5th and 6th	Annual leave & Public Holiday
Friday December 21st	Last day of 2018

Welcome Watch Casual Staff

Watch has been lucky enough to have some wonderful new casuals join our team this year.

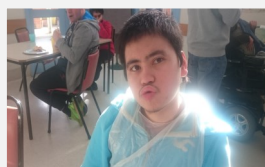
Welcome to:-

Ramesh, Samuel, Gladys, Gurba, Serena, Simon, Bobby, Matthew and Stephen.

We hope you will have a long and fulfilling partnership with Watch

WELCOME

Watch welcomes Natasa Vukovic, Sean McLatchie, David Ng, Stephen Jacobson and Deidre Beasley



RESPIRE

Held once a week our Watch Respite program aims at giving the people we support the opportunity to enjoy some fun and often relaxing opportunities in their community or around Melbourne. It also offers the primary Carer the opportunity for some respite of their own.

Some of the activities include going to the:-

- ◆ Football games
- ◆ Movies
- ◆ Picnics/Gardens/Pubs
- ◆ Festivals
- ◆ Zoo
- ◆ City Walks

SENIORS

Seniors welcome a new friend to their group....Deidre Beasley. She has settled in very nicely and keeps everyone entertained with her great sense of humor and vivacious personality.

Emma Treble has also joined the seniors group 2 days a week and is loving relaxing in her beanbag and joining in with some relaxing programs.

Stay warm and rugged up everyone and enjoy our winter programs.

SPRINGVALE CAMPUS

With winter in full swing we are enjoying participating in more onsite activities. We are now cooking 3 times a week and have started creating our very own Springvale Cookbook. It will be full of all the amazing recipes we cook up each week and our favourite, most delicious ones.

We are also making personalized calendars full of photos and artwork created by all of us. This will be for sale soon which would make a wonderful addition to any Christmas gift this year.

This year we would like to Welcome a new staff member, Bobby , who is working with us twice a week. We also welcome back Sarah, it's great having her cheeky personality back!!

MULGRAVE CAMPUS

Wow, hasn't the year just flown! We have had a very productive first half of the year with some new participants joining us. Everyone has been very welcoming which has made for a smooth transition.

Our program timetable has changed this year, we are now doing a Winter Timetable and Summer Timetable and reporting just once a year in April/May.

Some of the most popular programs that have been a great success are:-

- ◆ Music Therapy
- ◆ Vegan Cooking
- ◆ All day outings
 - ◆ Literacy
 - ◆ Woodwork
 - ◆ Sensory Play



Watch Survey

Its that time of the year again so please complete the Watch Annual Survey.

This year it will be sent via email to you over the next couple of weeks through Survey Monkey. It would be much appreciated if you could take 5 minutes out of your busy schedule to please complete this survey which we would use to further develop our Service Plan for 2018/19.

The results and summary report will be in the December 2018 issue of the newsletter

THANK YOU for our new Garden

Watch has been very fortunate to have a wonderful relationship with Wheelers Hill Rotary and Bunnings Notting Hill who have donated plants, fertiliser, compost and garden soil and their precious time to help create a beautiful outdoor environment for all to enjoy at Watch.

This helps make a positive difference in the lives of all the clients and staff at Watch.

Thank You

GREEN BEE A WINNER WITH DAY CENTRE

VOLUNTEERS got down and dirty for disability in a Mulgrave working bee.

Whealers Hill Rotary revamped the front and back gardens of Watch Disability Services, a day centre for adults with disabilities.

Bunnings Notting Hill donated plants, fertiliser, compost and garden soil.

Community service manager Gerard Marcus said the work helped provide an outdoor environment which "makes a positive difference in the lives of all the people who use the facility".

The club meets on the first and third Tuesday nights at Mulgrave Country Club.

Judy Hasnat, Craig Maxfield, Bernadette Baillie, Moss Pellen and Gerard Marcus working in the garden.

