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Notice of 2016 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for Members of Reclink Australia will be held at Reclink, South Melbourne at 9.30am on Wednesday 23 November, 2016.

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 18 November, 2015.
2. To receive the Report and Financial Statements for the year that ended 30 June, 2016.
Our Mission
Respond. Rebuild. Reconnect. We seek to give all participants the power of purpose.

About Reclink Australia
Reclink Australia is a not-for-profit organisation whose aim is to enhance the lives of people experiencing disadvantage or facing significant barriers to participation, through providing new and unique sports and arts opportunities and specialist recreation programs.

We target some of the community’s most vulnerable and isolated people; at risk youth, those experiencing mental illness, people with a disability, the homeless, people tackling alcohol and other drug issues and social and economic hardship.

As part of our unique hub and spoke network model, Reclink Australia has facilitated cooperative partnerships with a membership of more than 200 community, government and private organisations.

Our member agencies are committed to encouraging our target population group, under-represented in mainstream sport and recreational programs, to take that step towards improved health and self-esteem, and use Reclink Australia’s activities as a means of engagement for hard to reach population groups.
Why We Exist

From the streets of St Kilda and Kings Cross, to the public housing estates of Adelaide and Canberra and the remote communities of the Northern Territory, Reclink Australia champions participation in physical and artistic activity for disadvantaged Australians. We believe that sport, recreation, music and art are powerful tools to engage and support those most hard to reach within the community.

Building resilience and a sense of community, Reclink Australia believes that sport and the arts are the perfect vehicles to improve the lives of those experiencing complex disadvantage and social exclusion.

We believe that everyone has the right to a positive identity and a social network. This can be achieved through active participation in sport and the arts. It revives, nurtures and sustains an individual and improves their mental and physical health.

For 25 years, we have led a network of member organisations and acted as a facilitator in the support of disadvantaged communities and individuals.

“We believe that everyone has the right to a positive identity and a social network.”

1988
Peter Cullen uses recreation as street outreach.

1989
Kick-to-kick commences – seven social games of Australian football (AFL).

1990
First Reclink Australia network meeting is held.

1991
Four teams play Australian football (AFL) in an organised competition.

1992
Former Victoria Police Commissioner, Mick Miller, appointed as first Reclink Australia Patron.

1997
Peter Cullen tours Australia presenting the Reclink Australia model.

1998
Reclink Victoria v Reclink SA at Punt Road Oval.

2000
Reclink Australia Super 8s played on the MCG.

2003
Reclink Australia partners with the Victorian Government.

2004
10 teams compete in the Victorian Reclink Australia Football League.

2005
Peter Cullen appointed as Reclink Australia Development Manager.

2006
The Reclink Raiders are the first cricket team to compete in a community cricket league.

2007
Reclink Australia partners with VicHealth.

2008
Appointment of the first CEO.

2009
Staff members appointed in Hobart and Canberra.
What We Do

Reclink Australia delivers sport, recreation, arts and work readiness services across the country, with participation at the core of everything we do.

From running, basketball and football, to painting, instrument making and choirs we promote and deliver the health, social and economic benefits of activity to an otherwise largely inactive population group.

Our national program of structured sports have the ability to bring together people from diverse communities.

The Reclink Australia Football Series is a flagship program that engages over 650 men and women, while the Reclink Tasmanian Youth League continues to engage more than 120 young people from geographically disadvantaged communities. Our National Crime and Violence Prevention Award winning High Density Housing Safety and Security Project in the ACT continues to deliver improved outcomes for residents and a Victorian Government funded information and referral service ‘AAA Play’ is connecting people with a disability to sport and recreation participation opportunities.

Our programs have expanded to include a range of Work Readiness programs across Queensland, Victoria, South Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory to improve the opportunities for long-term unemployed people to re-enter the workforce. More recently Reclink Australia in partnership with the Queensland Government have expanded to deliver Skilling Queenslanders for Work programs at several locations in South East Queensland.

As a unique voice in the sports participation space, we act as a national advocate and conduit between disadvantaged communities, sports clubs and state sporting associations, recreation facilities and programs where physical activity can be undertaken.

Using our extensive experience and our established networks we create cost effective participation opportunities to access sport and recreation services, manage customised and structure programs and coordinate programs to enable Reclink Australia participants to move into the mainstream community.

Underpinning all our programs is the principle of respect that recognises and rewards participation and a willingness to support others above all else. Skill development and community event days feature strongly in our annual calendar and are used to develop life skills rather than separate winners from losers.

Our ultimate aim is to empower participants to sustain an enhanced level of health, wellbeing and involvement in the community. By assisting with the development of fundamental social skills, participants are supported and encouraged to transition to mainstream sports and arts programs, education and employment.

2010
Networks established in Sydney and Logan.
Appointment of new staff members in Adelaide, Brisbane and Fremantle.
Strategic plan for 2010 to 2015 approved by the Board.

2011
Women’s football league commenced in Alice Springs.
Transition to Public Company Limited by Guarantee.
Friends of Alice launched.

2012
The Transformers Choir sings with His Holiness the Dalai Lama.
Australia Day Community Event of the Year.

2013
Record membership (588), networks (22), events (10,856) and participation (111,409). Reclink Australia wins ACT Health Promotion Award. Reclink Australia wins Australian Crimes and Prevention of Violence Award.

2014
Reclink Australia becomes provider of Australia’s first State funded information and support service, assisting people with a disability to link with sports and active recreation. Australia Post announces Reclink Australia as a National ‘Our Neighbourhood’ community partner.

2015
Rebranded Access for All Abilities First Point of Call Service to AAA Play.
Seven Work Readiness sites established across South East Queensland.
Joint partnership with Cycling Victoria to establish the TryCycling initiative.
Strategic plan 2015 – 2017 approved by the Board.

2016
Reclink Community Cup goes National.
Expanding Work Readiness program to 49 projects across QLD, VIC, SA, TAS and NT.
Reclink wins three Skilling Queenslanders for Work Tenders.

“Our ultimate aim is to empower participants to sustain an enhanced level of health, wellbeing and involvement in the community.”
Participation, Partnerships and Pathways

In 2015-2016 Reclink Australia returned a positive financial outcome resulting in a surplus of $275K from a 135 per cent growth in revenue.

We are delighted to report that in partnership with more than 200 member organisations, Reclink Australia, delivered 52,000 sport, recreation and arts programs, 62,000 work-readiness and 3,500 training participation opportunities to an estimated 6,500 disadvantaged Australians, including people with mental illness, drug addiction, disability, homelessness and people in poverty. During the year we also delivered 49 work-readiness projects in Queensland, Victoria, South Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory, as well as three Skilling Queenslanders for Work Projects across South East Queensland.

Our model of service delivery continues to innovate and is well-known by its positive outcomes for participants. It is through collaborative partnerships with local community organisations and key stakeholders that unique, cost effective solutions and improved outcomes for people experiencing disadvantage are achieved.

Our combined efforts are purposeful, creating pathways which enable participants to improve their health and wellbeing, while engaging with training, work-readiness and employment providers.

Informing our organisation’s direction is our strategic plan, which outlines our four impact areas:

• Reaching More People;
• Measuring Results and Impacts;
• Financial Stability; and
• Improving business capability.

This approach is strongly aligned to sector developments in sport and recreation, disability, mental health and employment participation; and with all stakeholders to improve social inclusion for disadvantaged Australians.

Reclink Australia is grateful for the outstanding support from Federal, State and Territory Members of Parliament who continue to support the call for reinstatement of Commonwealth funding for the Reclink National Program. To our local, State, Territory and Commonwealth Government funders, community partners, donors, sponsors and the many communities across Australia with whom we are privileged to work closely with, your input and your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Reclink Australia’s strength is its people. We extend our sincere gratitude to our hundreds of loyal volunteers and acknowledge the support of our many respected Ambassadors who tirelessly support our sport, recreation and arts programs Australia-wide. We would also like to say a special thank you to our enthusiastic and resourceful staff, who continue to deliver quality services. Your commitment plays a pivotal role in our overall success.

We extend our congratulations to our Founder Peter Cullen AM for receiving the 2015 Victorian Service to Sport and Active Recreation Award.

Also to our skilled and steadfast Board of Directors who have provided an exceptional contribution to sound governance and the achievement of our strategic objectives – we thank you for your support.

On behalf of the Board, it is with great pleasure that we present our annual report for the 2015-2016 financial year.

David O’Halloran
Chairman

John Ballis
Chief Executive Officer
Community Partners

Collingwood Football Club
Reclink Australia wishes to acknowledge the considerable contribution that Collingwood FC has provided over the years. Collingwood FC has been an event partner for a number of years and continues to support organisations participating in our Victorian football competition.

Friends of Alice
The Friends of Alice tour continues to support Reclink Australia’s work in Alice Springs and provide a unique opportunity for greater cultural awareness and understanding of social challenges.

As part of the tour, students undertake a cultural immersion program – reflecting on the experience a student wrote:
“Painting with someone like Amelia was amazing, it was a great experience for such a knowledgeable person to teach us and share experiences. Hearing about their different skin colour references and names for each other – it’s amazing their respect for each other.”

Each year the Friends of Alice tour is a powerful opportunity to share, experience and learn.

Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club
Reclink Australia has enjoyed a strong relationship with SSCBC over the past two-years, as part of the Great Penninsula Paddle series.

The club had its origins in November 1948 when its inaugural race was held featuring seven diverse craft, some quite primitive by today’s standards. From these humble beginnings Sorrento Sailing Club was formed and began the voyage to its present day strength. The emphasis has always been on creating a friendly family environment and providing opportunities for juniors and youth, a focus that continues today.

AIFL
The Australian Institute of Flexible Learning (AIFL) is a nationally registered vocational education and training (VET) provider who deliver online and face to face training to the local and distant communities.

Reclink Australia has a key partnership with AIFL to deliver Alcohol and Other Drugs course aimed at Reclink Member Organisations.

AIFL’s goal is to provide a high quality and flexible online learning experience, which gives students as much control as possible over what, when, where and how they learn.

PBS 106.7FM
Since 1979, community broadcaster PBS 106.7FM has been an integral player in Melbourne’s diverse music community – with more than 80 specialist music programs ranging from soul to garage to country to jazz. PBS is dedicated to nurturing, inspiring and championing Melbourne’s diverse music community.

Reclink Australia is blessed to have had the generous support of PBS for the Melbourne Reclink Community Cup over the course of the event’s 23-year history.

3RRR 102.7FM
For 40 years Triple R has shaped and inspired the culture of Melbourne. Since its inception as an educational broadcaster in 1976, Triple R has become Australia’s most influential community radio station with almost 14,000 subscribers and 440,000 listeners per week.

Triple R, along with PBS, have been massive supporters of the Melbourne Reclink Community Cup since 1997.

“Reclink Australia helps give me structure and I know my team there for me if I am hurting.”
Reflections from the Founder

Through Participation, Partnerships and Pathways, Reclink Australia’s model is a game changer for disadvantaged, isolated and disconnected communities.

As Founder it is gratifying to see that the Reclink model of delivery continues to further mature providing clear and concise outcomes for those most disadvantaged in our community.

The true value to the Australian community of creating and delivering sport, recreation and arts participation opportunities to engage the most marginalised in our community should never be underestimated. We do this in partnership with multiple community services providers and in so-doing unlock the potential for each organisation to truly collaborate, rather than compete for the opportunity to have real impact into the lives of those we all support. Most importantly our combined efforts are purposeful, to create pathways for those most disadvantaged to be re-engaged into training, work-readiness programs and employment.

For what is a comparative low cost to taxpayers, Reclink Australia has a proven model with prodigious reach and presents a massive opportunity for governments, the community and the corporate sector to be part of a cost-effective solution. Putting it simply, Reclink Australia has demonstrated that we can efficiently deliver a diverse range of sport, recreation and arts programs Australia-wide with positive social impact. This includes addressing community issues such as: reducing isolation, reducing crime and improving social cohesion, reducing substance abuse and promoting recovery, improving mental health and wellbeing, reducing down steam health care costs, and providing meaningful pathways to training and employment.

I firmly believe there is no other social welfare program in Australia with the potential reach and impact that Reclink Australia’s model currently has.

I am reminded of the breakthrough by Nobel Prize winner John Forbes Nash Jr. whose theory says that players in a team all benefit where each one is making the best decision possible, taking into account the decision of the others in the game. Getting people who are profoundly isolated to be involved and interacting with each other is the game changer of social policy. And being part of a sporting team and using recreation and arts as a vehicle to rebuild trust, rebuild lives and help young people reconnect once more with the community is the most cost-effective solution to governments now and into the future.

The premise of the Reclink model is simple; provide individuals with something to do that is positive, something that would act as a circuit breaker of destructive behaviour and something that would reconnect them back into the community.

Peter Cullen AM
Reclink Australia Founder
Transformational Links, Training and Education

Reclink Australia believes in the power of opening doors for people experiencing disadvantage, establishing transformational links that can lead to life-long change. Whether it be mentorship, education or employment, Reclink continues to grow the range of available opportunities to those participants who are ready to take the next step.

The Transformational Links program identifies suitable Reclink Australia participants that may benefit from assistance in the pursuits of a normal life. These can be educational, vocational or coaching, or simply to assist in obtaining part-time employment.

This year, Reclink Australia continued with our Transformational Links program by providing a CHC43215 Certificate IV in AOD (Alcohol and Other Drugs) training course in partnership with the Australian Institute of Flexible Learning, a registered training organisation and part of Upper Murray Community Health Services. The course is being conducted in Port Melbourne and 15 participants will be accredited this year.

In conjunction with Sports Medicine Australia, Reclink Australia broadened its educational training programs to include an AFL Level 1 Sports Trainer course for participants in the Reclink Football Program, allowing participants to gain a valuable qualification and improve their football training skills.

Corporate Governance

The Reclink Australia Board is responsible for overall strategic direction, performance and compliance and providing effective governance and leadership.

**David O’Halloran**
Board Member since 2005.
Chairman since January 2013.
Diploma of Community Services (AOD); Diploma of Management.

**Sam Newton J.P.**
Board Member since 2006.
Licensed Estate Agent.

**Rod Butterss**
Board Member since November 2010.
Resigned November 2015.

**Peter Cullen AM**
Founder; Member of the Order of Australia 2000; Centenary Medal 2003.

**Karla Harman**
Board Member since June 2014.
Bachelor of Business (Economics and Finance) and a Master of Applied Finance.

**Donna Gross**
Board Member since June 2014.
Bachelor of Creative Arts.
Resigned March 2016.

**Sean Winder**
Board Member since November 2014.
Bachelor of Financial Administration.

**Tanya Baini**
Board Member since November 2014.
Master of Arts (History) and Grad Dip Industrial Relations.
Resigned February 2016.

**Theresa Sgambaro**
Board Member since February 2015.

**Scott Davies**
Board Member since June 2016.
Master of Enterprise (Business), Associate Diploma Valuations, Certificate of Business Studies in Real Estate.

**Mark Hardgrave**
Board Member since June 2016.
Bachelor of Commerce ACA MAICD.

**John Ballis**
Chief Executive Officer.
Company Secretary.
Reclink Australia is privileged to be delivering the innovative High Density Housing Safety and Community Program in Canberra’s Inner North in partnership with the Justice and Community Safety Directorate, ACT Government. The HDHS&C Program is a multi-agency, collaborative initiative designed to improve the lives of, and reduce recidivism rates for residents living in six high density housing sites on Ainslie Avenue. It represents the important recognition of place-based justice reinvestment in the ACT.

The success of our work with the HDHS&C Project has been acknowledged, with the ACT Government awarding Reclink a further two year contract to deliver a diverse range of programs across an expanded number of high density housing sites in Canberra. Since the project’s inception in 2011, we have achieved over 12,000 occasions of participation in activities and events in the ACT Inner North and broader community.

Our programs received a significant boost in November 2015 when ACT Minister and Attorney General, Mr. Simon Corbell officially opened a purpose built workshop container to deliver our regular Monday Skills Development workshop program. We have worked collaboratively with the Justice and Community Safety Directorate throughout the year to design and procure the 30 foot container which was installed at one of the service delivery sites.

During the official opening the participants in the Reclink workshop program presented to the Minister and the Ainslie School Principal a beautifully restored garden seat to be raffled at the annual Ainslie School fete, with all proceeds going to the “kids doing it tough” equity program.

This year, we participated in and supported a comprehensive evaluation of our project by the Australian Institute of Criminology. Data was collected by ACT Manager on program delivery and in-depth interviews with residents living at the sites along Ainslie Avenue, with findings to be presented in late 2016.

Our community garden programs continue to provide inner-north residents with a sense of purpose and great pride in their local neighbourhoods. We continue engaging the broader ACT community through our monthly Run, Roll and Walk event with strong participation from agencies supporting people in recovery programs as well as people experiencing mental health issues.

Once again Reclink Australia is extremely grateful for the support of Australian Red Cross and its participation at our outreach programs and our Run, Roll or Walk events. A special thank you to our project facilitator, Rhondda Bell and we greatly appreciate the support of the Justice and Community Safety Directorate, ACT Government.

“Our community garden programs provide participants with a sense of purpose and great pride in their local neighbourhoods.”
It has been another exciting year for Reclink Australia’s teams in the Northern Territory, with Reclink Rebels winning the Imparja Cup for the second consecutive year. Around 40 teams from six divisions competed in the Imparja Cup with the Reclink Rebels winning the Men’s Community Division under extreme weather conditions.

Delivered throughout the year, the Indigenous football series culminates in the Reclink CAAMA Cup where 6 teams play grand finales at Traeger Park. The Reclink CAAMA Cup is our biggest event in Alice Springs involving more than 200 people, including football players, families, community organisations, volunteers, students and staff from Emanuele College Victoria, staff from Corrections and radio commentators from Central Australian Aboriginal Media Association (CAAMA).

Our partnership with Alice Springs Corrections has expanded to include a weekly fitness program for young Indigenous women. To support our diverse range of sport, recreation and arts programs, we have employed two Indigenous Mentors to our team in Alice Springs to engage with Indigenous participants, support the delivery of Reclink programs, and promote confidence and participation.

This year we commenced two Work Readiness Projects in partnership with Bush Mob and the Alice Spring Community Youth Centre. Both projects have been very successful in delivering new skills or enhancing existing skills to help provide employment opportunities for those undertaking the projects.

A sincere thanks to all our volunteers, member agencies, staff from Corrections and a big congratulations to Gerry Lyons ‘GMan’ at CAAMA, who was recently awarded NT’s Central Australian Citizen of the Year 2016. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet for funding the indigenous programs in Alice Springs and Wiluna.

My name is Patrick Bloomfield and I’m from Harts Range, North East of Alice Springs and I have been playing AFL Rules for 20 years. Just recently I was involved in the Reclink Cup, in which I played in a combined Town team. I played all 10 games and played in the Grand Final at Traeger Park. My team came Runners Up against the Cottage All Stars. Being involved in the Town team, I was able to play football with family and friends and also meet new friends. We were coached by a white fella who showed me and all the other players respect and gave us all a fair go.

Playing in the Reclink competition gave me a chance to be sober and get fit and helped me think about the good things and how my future is going to be. It was also good to see the prison officers involved each week, which showed a different side to their normal attitudes. I would like to thank Reclink for making this competition possible.

“Playing in the Reclink competition gave me a chance to be sober and get fit and helped me think about the good things and how my future is going to be.”
2015-16 has been a truly remarkable and challenging year for Reclink Australia in Queensland, and saw the organisation undertake 38 Work Readiness projects across 26 locations from Bundaberg to Logan, Gold Coast and Brisbane. Through this journey we have provided hundreds of participants with new skills, abilities and renewed self-confidence to assist transition to the workforce or looking towards new career opportunities. Particularly noteworthy is that a number of current staff members commenced their experience with Reclink Australia as Work for the Dole participants and are now valued team members.

Reclink acknowledges the fantastic support offered from Moreton Bay Regional Council, Logan City Council, TAFE Brisbane, TAFE East Coast, Help Enterprises, Maxima Training and Rural Training Queensland in the delivery of these community based projects.

The Transformers Choir is continuing to provide musical joy – entertaining and uplifting audiences with their unique vocal stylings, original songs and a number of high profile performances. The Choir is currently looking forward to performing at the first ever Brisbane Reclink Community Cup alongside six other bands and performers and what promises to be an epic AFL match between the Rocking Horses and Brisbane Lines.

This year, we have also embarked on a series of new programs in partnership with Queensland Government’s Skilling Queenslanders for Work Initiative. Recently 40 trainees graduated from the Caboolture program, with practical work experience, new skill sets and a nationally recognised qualification in either Construction or Conservation and Land Management; with 75 per cent of the participants finding ongoing employment. A further 14 participants have also graduated from Certificate III in Individual Support in Logan, with 71 per cent of participants finding employment in the Community, Disability and Aged Care Sectors.

This year, Reclink ran a series of events during Mental Health Week, including a futsal carnival with 16 teams, art and craft workshops and sports programs at Sanity Fair. Touch Football continues to be well attended and the organisation is currently looking to expand to other regions.

We acknowledge the invaluable support from our funding bodies including Queensland Government Department of Education and Training, Sport and Recreation Services, Logan City Council, Australian Government Department of Employment and the numerous Job Network providers that we have worked with over the past year. Your support and contribution has been immense and enables us to continue the core work of assisting and empowering people to make positive life change. Reclink Australia especially wants to thank the invaluable partnering arrangements with Queensland PCYC and its branches.

We also acknowledge the tremendous work undertaken by our State Manager Steve Hutchinson and the Queensland leadership team; Mark Holloway, Leo Duffy and James Bulbert for the outstanding work in successfully delivering the diverse range of Work Readiness programs and the Skilling Queenslanders for Work initiative.

As a participant in the Valley Event Management Work For The Dole run by Reclink Australia, our team recently took on the task of holding a stall at this year’s Homeless Connect event at the Eagle Farm Raceway, and to be completely honest, I could not have hoped for more as far as the scope of the skills we learned and the real life opportunities at the event to practice them.

From a Work for the Dole perspective, the time we spent working through the events lead up and its execution was rich with new tools and knowledge which we were able to learn and put into real time use. Having the opportunity of experiencing event management in such a hands-on manner, offered an insight that could otherwise only be gained in actual employment, as well as allowing us to get a true sense of achievement in our outcomes.

With all events of this nature, we had obstacles like time constraints and budget limitations to overcome, but it was these challenges that helped us as much as anything else to practice and prepare for future employment. All in all, this was a fantastic experience that not only benefitted us as job seekers, but also produced great outcomes for the disadvantaged and homeless who are in such desperate need of the services Homeless Connect offers.
Looking back on the past year, themes of constant change, ongoing resourcing challenges as well as new opportunities best summarises Reclink’s activities in South Australia. The highlight of the year was undoubtedly Adelaide’s inaugural Reclink Community Cup, which was attended by more than 1,200 people and the vibe on the day was just amazing and augurs really well for the future in making this an iconic Adelaide event. We also saw the beginning of another major event with the Boxing Day Cricket Cup, which was a blast.

Reclink in SA commenced two Work Readiness projects in Murray Bridge, which have had a big impact on the local community.

My thanks once again must go to the awesome volunteer team. Without them we simply would not have a program to run. The crew from Coffee Plungers, Jenny Lyons and the team from Mount Barker Lawn Bowls Club, the indefatigable Koral Chandler and her team who superbly event managed the Community Cup, and to Chris Komerek and his team for the Boxing Day Cricket Cup.

Our thanks also go to Hon. Leon Bignell MP Minister of Sport (Office of Recreation and Sport) and the Adelaide City Council who provided the base funding to deliver our sport and recreation programs for disadvantaged South Australians.
The annual Reclink football league continues to provide a range of opportunities with 13 teams from across Victoria including teams from across Melbourne, Bendigo, Geelong, Sunbury and the Peninsula taking part in a 10 round series. The two-day Reclink Football Grand Finals held at Peanut Farm in St Kilda was a tremendous event attended by more than 1,200 people including players, support staff, volunteers, invited guests and spectators. A sincere thanks to Smokey Dawson, Crackers Keenan and Casey Radio for the live broadcast of the event and to the Victorian Police Band for the performance during the day. To all our coaches, captains, umpires and current and retired AFL players, thank you for your support on the day.

This year Reclink ran four 20/20 and Super 8s cricket competitions with more than 20 teams and 200 players competing across the Melbourne CBD, Heidelberg and Frankston.

Our leisure centre partnerships at Melbourne City Baths, Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre, North Melbourne Leisure Centre and Coburg Leisure Centre continue to provide excellent opportunities for hundreds of people to increase their fitness by taking part in training and classes and putting in some laps in the pool.

Reclink Australia’s presence in Frankston continues to grow with football, cricket, basketball, soccer and lawn bowls programs bringing together local participants. Similarly, our program in Sunbury is also growing strongly with both football and cricket, and a triathlon program of Reclink participants taking part in their first competition in January 2016.

The Reclink Run-Walk-Roll events around Melbourne’s Botanical Gardens were particularly popular this year with hundreds of participants taking part, culminating in our biggest ever event with 130 registrations at the Right Time Recovery Run in June. Congratulations go to Brian Presnell who completed his first marathon last year – a mighty effort.

During the year Reclink Australia delivered six Work Readiness projects across sites in Werribee, Sunbury, Norlane, South Melbourne, Flemington and South Yarra, including gardens and landscaped areas to enable greater engagement for those communities and our partners. Our results with these projects, both in terms of the quality of work and the excellent employment opportunities generated for our participants has been recognised by all involved.

A big thank you goes to Sport and Recreation Victoria, The City of Melbourne and our member organisations partnering with us this year. Special thanks to all our many volunteers and partners who assist each and every week with Reclink’s programs, we could not have the level of community impact we do without your support.

Chris Lacey
A highlight of the year is the annual Reclink Tasmanian Youth Football series involving four secondary schools from the Triabunna, Oatlands, Tasman, Campania and Bothwell districts culminating in grand final matches at the North Hobart Oval. The program is an outstanding example of a partnership between four secondary colleges fielding more than 112 students, teachers, parents, two Tasmanian Councils, and many volunteers to bring this valuable event to fruition.

In 2015, Reclink Australia in partnership with the Hobart Migrant Resource Centre, introduced a learn-to-swim program for newly arrived young migrant men. The Hobart Migrant Young Men’s Swimming Program has been a valuable and greatly beneficial weekly activity providing 31 young men from CALD communities to develop swimming skills and confidence in the water. The program is a combination of a healthy recreational session and lightly structured swimming lessons, conducted during the school term and the holidays. The breakdown according to culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities as follows:

Participants were asked on a scale from 1 to 10, “How happy are you with the swimming program? Of the 15 participants who responded to the satisfaction questionnaire over 93 per cent rated a satisfaction level 8 or more. As the chart below shows, satisfaction with the program is unanimous amongst reporting participants.

In response to the question “Are you more confident in the water now than when you started”, 73 per cent of the respondents expressed they had gained confidence in the water since beginning their participation in the swimming program.

Swimming Confidence Level After the Program

Those who stated they were less confident also clarified that they have gained a realistic picture of what the skill entails. The participants were asked to provide a one-word description of the program and the five most frequent words were: “Fun, Friends, Supportive, Happy and New People”.

Reclink Australia also conducted the first Work Readiness program to create a community garden in Margate in partnership with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The Margate Community Garden Project has provided the community with a valuable site to grow herbs and vegetables for disadvantaged families.
The Reclink Kaleidoscope Art Exhibition held in Surry Hills and attended by over 140 people is a partnership with Mission Australia and member agencies bringing together Artworks from the many art classes run throughout Sydney for marginalised, disadvantaged and homeless people. The Kaleidoscope art festival is a highlight in the annual calendar of events for over 80 participating artists, each conveying a story in colour and movement of how they view the world around them. The exhibited art work is not only of high quality but they all tell amazing stories of our artist’s life experiences and 100 per cent of the sales of the art pieces go straight back to the artist.

Another innovative Reclink program providing opportunities for people experiencing disadvantage to creatively express themselves is the annual Resilience Film Challenge. The Resilience Film Challenge brings together 40 film makers to create 19 short films from the viewpoint of a person experiencing disadvantage. The films explored a range of creative perspectives, bizarre (but always entertaining), disturbing, straight face-to-camera storytelling, animation and songs. Feedback from those attending the screenings have commented the films were “touching, amusing, sad and informative as well as giving us all an insight into the other side of town that we don’t usually get to experience”.

The Resilience Film Challenge is progressively becoming a significant event on Sydney’s film/cinema calendar. To all our volunteers, member agencies, Frances, Jez, Adam Yee and all those involved in the Kaleidoscope art festival and Resilience Film Challenge, thank you for your outstanding support.

Reclink Australia in partnership with member agencies have continued to deliver over 14 sport, recreation and arts programs ranging from Gym and Swim, Tai Chi, Kayaking and Table Tennis to name but a few and provide over 4,800 participation opportunities for people experiencing disadvantage in the Perth and Fremantle areas.

In order to overcome the absence of a dedicated coordinator in WA, Reclink Australia appointed a one day per week support person in Head Office (Victoria) to liaise with work member agencies and sport and recreation providers to ensure programs are relevant and accessible to the needs of participants.

A huge thanks to Taylah Kiely, Rhua and our member organisations for continuing to support the Reclink model for disadvantaged communities in WA, and to all those involved in the Inaugural Perth Reclink Community Cup who helped us raise funds for our programs.
Research and Evaluation

Reclink Australia is committed to continuous improvement and demonstrating the impact of our programs through evaluation and targeted research.

In 2016 Reclink Australia repeated a member survey first administered in 2014 to provide important insights into the experiences and levels of satisfaction of member agencies. While the number of respondents was smaller (8.3 per cent) than the previous 2014 survey, respondent agencies were from all States and Territories except ACT. 66 per cent were located in a metropolitan city, while 31 per cent were located in a regional area. 45 per cent of respondents were senior managers, while 24 per cent were support workers or case workers.

Seventeen per cent of respondents indicated their agency had been a member organisation for less than 1 year, 34 per cent for 1-3 years, 31 per cent for 3-5 years and 17 per cent for 5 years or more. Mental health, disability and homelessness represented the top three target groups across member agencies, which was the same as 2014. Women participants accounted for 15 per cent across Reclink Australia program’s, while 46 per cent of participants had a disability. 18 per cent of participants were from CALD backgrounds and six per cent of participant from Indigenous backgrounds (this figure is low and reflects the small survey sample).

The most utilised recreational activities for women were Gym/Fitness, Swimming and Ten Pin Bowling. The most utilised recreational activities for men were Swimming, Gym/Fitness and Ten Pin Bowling. Overall, the most popular activity was Gym/Fitness.

Low cost/affordability of activities and accessibility of activities were the two most important factors for client participation. Scheduling of activities and travel required to access activities were the two most significant barriers to client participation.

Member agencies were utilising significantly less activities (a reduction of 49 per cent participation opportunities) compared to 2014. This is not surprising given the loss of Federal Government funding in 2014 and the absence of state-based funding in WA, Tasmania and NSW, and correlating decreases in participation opportunities.

Overall, 74 per cent of respondents reported being satisfied with their Reclink Australia membership (compared with 86 per cent in 2014), and 65 per cent of respondents intend to renew their membership (compared with 59 per cent in 2014). Results should be assessed in the context of the loss of funding and given this major set-back, it is remarkable that satisfaction rates have held so well, reducing only by nine per cent, and with an increase (six per cent) of member agencies who intend to renew their memberships.

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Opportunities for people of all abilities to participate in sport and recreation programs and continue to grow in Victoria with the Assistance of Access for All Abilities Play.

The Access for All Abilities (AAA Play) program at Reclink Australia is the first point of call service for people living with a disability who wish to access sport and active recreation opportunities in greater Melbourne. AAA Play has continued to grow its presence in the community through its phone line, website, stakeholder engagement and running a number of community events. In 2015-16 these events included the AAA Play Evaluation Launch at Parliament House and a multi-sport carnival at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre that involved 11 State Sporting Associations and attracted more than 250 excited and active participants.

AAA Play has focused on expanding its presence around Metropolitan Melbourne during the year by regularly attending community exhibitions, conferences, forums, presentations and workshops that inform and inspire people of all abilities to get involved in sport and recreation programs.

Here’s a snapshot of the impact that AAA Play has had in 2015-16. We assisted more than 379 individuals by telephone, email and through face-to-face enquiries, which was in increase on the previous year by 38 per cent. Our unique website users, which indicates the number of individuals who access the AAA play website, reached 15,001 which was an increase of more than 21 per cent on the 14-15 year. Finally, the number of page views also reflects this trend with a total of 53,086 which was an overall increase of 14.5 per cent on last year. The combination of regular promotion at a variety of exhibitions, forums and workshops alongside a calendar of successful community events has increased the awareness and presence of AAA Play amongst the disability community. This increased awareness amongst the community has led to an increased number of people with disabilities participating in sport and active recreation.
Figure 1: AAA Play Website Analytics 2015-16

- Page Views
- Total Visits
- Unique Visitors

![Graph showing analytics](image)

Figure 2: New and Returning Visitors to AAA Play Website

- 23.9% New Visitor
- 76.1% Returning Visitor

![Circle chart showing new vs returning visitors](image)

Figure 3: Gender of New Visitors to AAA Play Website

- 37.6% Female
- 62.4% Male

![Pie chart showing gender](image)

Figure 4: Age of New Visitors to AAA Play Website

- 5.35% 18-24
- 10.19% 25-34
- 14.88% 35-44
- 19.6% 45-54
- 24.53% 55-64
- 25.4% 65+

![Bar chart showing age distribution](image)
Art Programs – Reclink Transformers Choir

The Reclink Transformers Choir continue to provide an important outlet, sense of achievement and community for an extraordinary group of people who otherwise would be deprived of this essential contribution to their quality of life.

Performing mostly original songs, the Transformers Choir went on to tour across the State and played for the public on a number of occasions.

In July, the Transformers Choir conducted a communal song writing session, where participants were encouraged to confront ideas that had impacted on their lives. These ideas were developed into song lyrics and three new songs were created and performed across the season.

Choir member, Stu, composed a new song titled Shelter, about his time living on the streets, which was an appropriate and powerful addition to the Choir’s repertoire.

The final performance of the year, supported by the popular accapella group Good Company, was held on a warm Sunday afternoon in December at the State Library of Queensland.

A few members of the Choir took the chance to perform solo on the day, which was well received by the community.

Reclink Australia teamed up with the State Library of Queensland as part of its 2016 theme, Belonging. Sharing the afternoon performance was, Scattered People, a collective of asylum seekers, refugees and kindred spirits.

Both of these groups use the power of song to express their experiences of sorrow and joy. This was an uplifting afternoon of song and communication.
Events, Fundraising and Volunteers

Reclink Community Cup National Tour – Smells Like Team Spirit

Reclink Australia’s iconic Community Cup toured nationally for the first time in 2016, taking on the theme of “Smells Like Team Spirit”, aligning the event with 90s grunge legends Nirvana and their game-changing album Smells Like Teen Spirit.

Now established as a much anticipated annual community event, the Community Cup features the unique combination of grass roots footy, music and community radio. Over 20,000 spectators Australia-wide raised more than $250,000, which enables Reclink to continue to promote and deliver its sports, arts and recreation programs for disadvantaged Australians.

Our sincere gratitude goes to all the Organising Committees, Founder Jason Evans and all those who have supported the Reclink Community Cup national tour. To the musicians who provide endless entertainment, the on-field theatrics all the teams bring to each Community Cup, our colourful cheer squads, our tireless and enthusiastic volunteers and the general public who so generously support these special community fundraising events – we express our sincere gratitude.

A huge thanks to Reclink Events Coordinator Sue Kirk, National Publicist Koral Chandler and all the Reclink staff that make our national tour a possibility.

Key Events

Reclink Community Cup – National Tour: Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Hobart, Perth, Brisbane
Frank Galbally Cup – Melbourne
Reclink Australia Football Series Peter Cullen Medal – Melbourne
Reclink Tasmanian Youth Football Series
Reclink Great Peninsula Paddle – Sorrento
Reclink CAAMA Football Finals – Alice Springs
Kaleidoscope Art Festival – Sydney
Resilience Film Challenge – Sydney
Reclink Community Champions Run – Melbourne
Spirit of Reclink Awards – 25th Anniversary Celebrations
Melbourne Reclink Community Cup

This year’s Melbourne Reclink Community Cup saw more than 11,000 spectators pack the Elsternwick Oval for the biggest day in the event’s magnificent 23 year history. Supported by a spectacular array of Melbourne’s local music scene, including, Regurgitator, Total Giovanni, Ross Wilson, Loose Tooth, The Sugarcanes and for the kids, Rhys Muldoon and KRAM from Spiderbait.

The annual match, broadcast by our partners Channel 31, sees the Rockdogs, featuring members of Melbourne’s local music scene, take on the Megahertz, community radio champions from PBS and 3RRR.

One of the many highlights from the day was a special appearance and musical performance by Waleed Aly, who joined ARIA award winning singer-songwriter and Rockdogs captain Dan Sultan and Regurgitator live on stage, much to the joy of the thousands of fans.

We were humbled to have the Hon Anthony Albanese MP perform his DJ Albo set to more than 400 people at the Corner Hotel to raise funds for this year’s Melbourne Reclink Community Cup. We were also delighted to have Australian Greens Leader Senator Richard Di Natale pull on the Megahertz jumper, with a classy display of skills. Skydivers, food vans and dogs wearing footy scarves made the day one to remember.

Thanks to everyone who made this event what it is, especially our Organising Committee, community radio partners PBS and 3RRR, all the musicians in the Rockdogs, the cheer squads, coaches and support crew, our sponsors and all our volunteers.
Sydney Reclink Community Cup

Playing for the fifth year, the Sydney Reclink Community Cup goes from strength to strength, with the Walers and Sailors teams playing an entertaining match in front of more than 2,500 spectators.

The promotion of this year’s event was boosted by video clips featuring Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, the effervescent Lee Lin Chin of SBS fame and Rob ‘Millsy’ Mills, which lit up social media in the weeks leading up to this year’s Cup.

It’s Walers vs Sailors. It’s tough, thrilling and entertaining from bounce down to final siren. And it all raises much needed money for Reclink Australia’s NSW programs.

A huge thanks to Adam Yee, Kim Tan and the Organising Committee, our radio partners 2SER and FBI Radio, Newtown’s boutique beer purveyors Young Henrys, our sponsors and all our valued volunteers.

Perth Reclink Community Cup

The Perth event, held for the second year at the Bluesteel Oval in Bassendean, is now embedded in the City’s social events calendar. This year saw WA footy legend Ron Alexander coaching the Bandgropers as they took on the media team, the Newshounds, under the leadership of Fremantle Dockers stalwarts Peter Bell and Shaun McManus.

The ‘Hounds’ pulled in heavyweights from WA’s leading daily rag The West Australian, the likes of Simon Collins and Nick Sas, turning the tables on the drubbing they got the year before.

The Perth event was blessed to have the support from the good people at local community radio station RTR FM and Reclink would like to thank the Perth Organising Committee for their hard work and dedication to keep the event rolling on.
Adelaide Reclink Community Cup

Now in its second year, the Adelaide Reclink Community Cup enjoys great support from local community broadcast partners Radio Adelaide, Fresh 927, Three D Radio and Nine News Adelaide, the Wheatshef Hotel, along with the Members of Parliament and the local musicians who support the event.

This year, the Tim Rogers coached Rockatoos outfit took home the cup against a determined Anchors side at Coopers Stadium in Norwood.

We extend our sincere appreciation to Tammy Franks MLC, Kyam Maher MLC, Nat Cook MP, Peter Malinauskas MLC and Senator Penny Wong for their outstanding support of this event, along with the Grace Emily Hotel, Scene Change, Australia Press Music, Coopers, Redlegs and the Pink Moon Deli.

A sincere thank you also to Reclink Community Cup National Publicist Koral Chandler for her tireless work on the national tour and the special attention she brings to Adelaide’s event.
Hobart Reclink Community Cup

The Hobart Reclink Community Cup’s inaugural year went off with a bang. The Van Dieman Dogs took the bragging rights in a close game against the Ramonas F.C. that was featured on ABC radio and broadcast on YouTube.

The North Hobart Oval was the perfect site for the event, despite the weather, which didn’t stop the community from showing up in good numbers and supporting Reclink’s Tasmanian programs.

Richmond Football Club CEO Brendon Gale travelled across the Tasman especially for the Cup, throwing on the coach’s hat for the Van Dieman Dogs side. We were blessed to have the support of the Tasmanian Premier the Hon. Will Hodgman MP, who bravely pulled on the umpire’s jersey, in a fantastic display of commitment.

A huge thanks to the Conor Farrell, Fletcher Austin, Caroline Ross and the Organising Committee, along with all our volunteers, sponsors, the Republic Bar, ABC Radio, The Mercury, Avant Card, Staging Connections, the South Island Sirens and the City of Hobart.

Reclink Volunteers

The work that Reclink Australia undertakes would simply not be possible without the support of our hundreds of loyal and talented volunteers. From administrative support, to assisting with events and programs and acting as ambassadors and advocates of Reclink Australia, volunteers are vital to the success of our programs across Australia.

With more than 1000 active volunteers Reclink Australia is grateful for their combined assistance in helping deliver our major events and support the diverse range of sport, recreation and arts programs across Australia.

Thanks to Rose Cicero, Membership and Administration (volunteer)
Brisbane Reclink Community Cup

In another first, the Brisbane Reclink Community Cup kicked off its inaugural match between the apt named media side, the Brisbane Lines, taking on local musos from the Rocking Horses.

Pine Rivers Show Ground was the battle ground, with the Brisbane Lines etching their name into the history books with the inaugural win.

Brisbane has seen huge support from local parliamentarians the likes of Labor’s Minister for Communities, Women and Youth Shannon Fentiman, Senator Murray Watt and Senator Anthony Chisholm.

Many thanks also go to Steve Hutchinson, Amy Lane, Sharryn Bell, Adele Wessel, Eric and Helen Evans, Michelle Padovan, Michelle Brown and all of our volunteers.

More than 700 people attended the day, which is a fantastic result for a first year event.

The Great Peninsula Paddle

Hosted by the Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club, more than 100 novice and experienced paddlers took to the ocean in support of this year’s Great Peninsula Paddle.

Participants paddled through the short and long course on a beautiful sunny morning with more than 200 family members and friends cheering on.

Reclink Australia particularly wishes to thank Virginia and Nick Cable for their long standing support, the Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club and Peninsula Stand Up Paddle teams, and the participants’ fundraising efforts in the lead up to this unique and exciting event.
Frank Galbally Cup

Reclink Australia celebrated another milestone in 2015-16 with the 10th anniversary of the Frank Galbally Cup. This event sees Melbourne’s legal fraternity come together for an annual grassroots football match, played at Collingwood Football Club’s spiritual home of Victoria Park.

Two teams made up of Barristers and Solicitors continue to ‘raise the bar’ and much needed funds for Reclink Australia. The Solicitors won bragging rights this time around, taking home the coveted Frank Galbally Cup in 2015.

Reclink Australia would like to thank the stoic support of the Organising Committee led by Hayden Legro and the legal community who ensure this day is a great success.

Reclink Australia 25th Anniversary Celebration

Reclink Australia celebrated its 25th Anniversary with a special event on Sunday 25 November at the Peanut Farm Reserve in St Kilda. Attended by Federal Labor MP Jenny Macklin, the local community and supported by the City of Port Phillip and a number of SRV State Sporting Associations, the day included ‘pop-up’ sporting activities and stage performances by local music groups.

Special thanks to our sponsors and supporters who made this special anniversary celebration day possible.
Our Activities

Reclink Australia, in partnership with our member agencies and support from our strategic partners and supporters, has offered the following activities to disadvantaged communities throughout Australia. The ‘whole of community’ approach empowers our member agencies to determine which activities are needed in their community. Local knowledge drives our response to local needs.

Activities

Aerobics
Archery
Aqua aerobics
Aqua program
Badminton
Ballroom dancing
Basketball
Bike riding
Blind soccer
BMX
Bocce
Boxing
Bush walking
Cardio fitness and weights
Circuit
Croquet
Darts
Diving
Fishing
Futsal
Go carting
Golf
Group fitness
Gym
Hip hop dance
Horse riding
Skateboarding
Indoor beach volleyball
Indoor cricket
Kayaking
Mini golf
Outdoor adventure
Rage Cage Soccer
Resistance training
Rock climbing
Roller blading
Run, Walk, Roll
Running
Salsa and Latin dancing
Sailing
Scooter competitions
Scuba diving
Skating
Snorkelling
Soccer
Squash
Steady steps classes
Supa-golf
Surfing
Swimming
Table tennis
Taekwondo
Tennis
Tenpin bowling
Volleyball
Walking group
Wheelchair basketball
Wheelchair dancing
Sports Leagues
- 8 Ball
- Australian football (AFL)
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Lawn bowls
- League tag (touch football)
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tenpin bowling
- Volleyball

Arts
- Airbrush art
- Art therapy
- Art workshops
- Book club
- Contemporary dance
- Contemporary Visual Art Workshop
- Crochet
- Down the Avenue Art Exhibition
- Drama group
- Drumming
- Guitar course
- Instrument making
- Knit and yarn
- Knitting
- Music group
- Photography
- Public arts
- Samba Drumming Circle
- Sewing and craft
- Storytelling
- Street art
- Street orchestra
- Urban Encounters (Aboriginal Arts and Music Group)
- Writers circle

Social, Cultural and Educational
- Aquarium outing
- Avenue Community - neighbourhood chats
- Ballroom dancing
- Christmas in July
- Circus Oz
- Community BBQ
- Community Christmas Party
- Community gardening
- Craft group – Over 55s
- Deadly Outdoor Adventure Group
- Easter community BBQ
- Environmental park outing
- Furniture making
- International Rules match
- Kids day out
- Line dancing
- Masters Exhibition – National Gallery Victoria Ainslie
- Men’s shed program
- Movie day
- Muldark theatre production
- National Gallery Victoria
- Picnic in the Park
- Observation Deck visit
- Wii
- Zoo trip

Choirs
- Central Australian Indigenous Women’s Choir – Alice Springs
- Choice Voices – Bendigo
- Choir of High Hopes – Hobart
- Starlight Hotel Choir – Fremantle
- The Big Sing – Melbourne
- The Rocky Road Choir – Outer East
- The Transformers – Brisbane
- Under the Lamp Post – Adelaide

Health and Wellbeing
- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Cooking club
- Kanangra Court Gardening Project
- Massage
- Planting for pizzas
- Qigong
- Sahaja meditation
- Self defence
- Stretch and relaxation
- Tai Chi
- Yoga

Women’s Activities
- Baking
- Beading
- Belly dancing
- Boot camp
- Boxing and self defence
- Car Maintenance
- Circus workshops
- Creative arts
- High Tea luncheon
- Jewellery making workshops
- Make up session
- Music therapy
- Nutrition
- Pamper day
- Zumba
Our Members

With more than 200 health, welfare and community organisations currently engaged with Reclink Australia’s program, our organisation continues to play a critical role in the community sector and ensuring that individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds are provided with participation opportunities.

Membership to Reclink Australia provides community organisations with the following benefits:

• Low cost access to sport and arts activities;
• Opportunities to introduce new sport and arts activities for disadvantaged communities where there is an identified need;
• Networking with other organisations, targeting people experiencing disadvantage; and
• Assisting disadvantaged communities to integrate into mainstream community based activities through our Transformational Links program.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of the following organisations:

New South Wales
Beehive Industries Co-operative Limited
Mission Australia – Sydney Centre
Neami Pagewood
Richmond PRA – Buckingham House
St. Vincent de Paul Society – Ozanam Learning Centre
Wesley Mission – Edward Eager Lodge

Northern Territory
Bushmob Inc.
Casa Central Australia Inc.
Central Australian Aboriginal Alcohol Programs Unit (CAAAPU)
DASA – Drug and Alcohol Services Association – Alcohol and Drug Detox and Rehab
Kanyani Living Spirit
Life Without Barriers
Mental Health Association of Central Australia (MHACA)
Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia NT
Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjarra Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women’s Council
The Salvation Army

Queensland
Carers Link
Clear Horizons
Footprints in Brisbane Inc.
Fortitude Valley PCYC
Jacaranda Clubhouse
Kingston East Neighbourhood Group Inc. (KENG)
Logan-Beaudesert Mental Health Service
Mercy Community Services SEQ Ltd
Neami – PHaMS
Northside Mental Health Service – Queensland Health – Recovery and Rehabilitation Service
Queensland Health
YFS Ltd
Youth Advocacy Centre Inc

South Australia
Ac Care
ACH Group – Social Links East
Adelaide Hills Vocational College
Anglican PARISH OF Semaphore
Australian Red Cross
Baptist Care
British Sub Aqua Club (BSAC)
Canteen SA/NT
Carer Wellness Centre
Carers SA
Caring Choice
Catherine House Inc.
Centacare – Murray Bridge
City of Onkaparinga
City of Onkaparinga – Care and Share and Happy Wanderers
City of Port Adelaide, Enfield – SRF Project

Country Health SA LHN
Community Living and Support Services Inc. (CLASS) – Day Services
Disability Services – Central Adelaide
District Council of Mount Barker
HeartBeat Drumming
Hills Community Options Inc. – Disability Support Service
Junction Community Centre
Life Without Barriers – Country South Services
Life Without Barriers – Homelessness and Disability
Mental Health Service SA Health
Mid Murray Council
Mind Australia – Burnside HASP
Mount Barker Uniting Church – Hungry No More
Murray Mallee GP Network – Murraylands Headspace
NAHLN – Mental Health
Neami Ltd – IPRSS
Northern Mental Health – The Gully
OARS Community Transitions, Supportive Accommodation Services
Sportivore Pty Ltd
St. John’s Youth Services – Ladder St. Vincent Street
SYC
The Salvation Army
Uniting Care Wesley Port Adelaide – Family and Support Services
Uniting Communities
Unity Housing Company
YMCA Adelaide Hills Recreation Centre
YMCA of SA

Tasmania
Able Australia
Child Protection Services – South West
Colony 47 – Eureka Clubhouse
Glamorgan Spring Bay Council
Kingborough Council
MI Fellowship Tasmania
Migrant Resource Centre (Southern Tasmania) Inc.
Oak Tasmania
Southern Midlands Council
TasTafe
The Salvation Army
The Salvation Army Support and Housing
Tolosa St. Respite and Rehab Services
Veranto Lifestyle Assistance – Transition to Retirement
Victoria
ACSO – Australian Community Support Organisation
Alfred Psychiatry
Arbias – Community Programs
Arrow Health
Autism Spectrum Australia
Blind Sports Victoria
Brotherhood of St. Laurence – Coolibah
COHEALTH
EACH
Eastern Access Community Health
– Social and Community Health
Eastern Health – Maroondah CCU/
MSTS Rehab Shore Program
Eastern Mental Health Association
Forensicare
Inner West Area Mental Health Service –
Norfolk Terrace – Community Care Unit
Jesuit Social Services
Jobco Employment Services Inc.
Judy Lazarus Transition Centre
Kew Neighbourhood Learning Centre
– Inclusive Communities Program
Kildonan Uniting Care
Latitude
– Directions for Young People Inc.
Lentara Uniting Care – Asylum Seeker
Project
McAuley Community Services for
Women
Mental Illness Fellowship Victoria –
Carer Respite – Specialist Family Support
Merri Outreach Support Service
Neami – Blackburn
Neami – Fairfield
Neami – Neami North East
Neami Briar Hill
North Western Mental Health
– Adult Mental Health Rehabilitation Unit
Odyssey House Victoria
Port Melbourne Neighbourhood House
Port Phillip Housing Association
Prahran Mission
Project Respect
Sacred Heart Mission
SalvoCare Eastern
Self Help for Addiction Resource Centre
(SHARC) – Recovery Support Services
South Eastern Melbourne Medicare
Local
St Joseph’s Flexible Learning Centre
St Lawrence Community Services
St. Mark’s Community Centre
– Sport and Rec.
St. Mary’s House of Welcome
St. Vincent’s Prague House
Stewart Lodge SRS
Taskforce Community Agency
The Salvation Army – Adult Services –
The Open Door
The Salvation Army – Adult Service
Network
The Salvation Army – Community Aged Care Program
The Salvation Army – Flagstaff Crisis
Accommodation – Recreation Program
The Salvation Army Crisis Services
– Youth and Family Services
Urban Seed
The Wellington Collingwood Inc.
UB Tec (University of Ballarat) – VCAL
Vincentcare, Victoria – Fitzroy
VincentCare, Victoria – North
Melbourne
VincentCare, Victoria – Ozanam House
Windana Drug & Alcohol Recovery Inc.
Wintringham Specialist Aged Care
Wintringham – Ascot Vale
Wintringham – Delahey
Xavier College
Youth Projects
Youth Substance Abuse Services
(YSAS) – Youth Support & Advocacy
Service
Western Australia
55 Central Inc.
Advanced Personnel Management (APM)
Alma Street Centre (ASC) Fremantle
Hospital
Association for Services to Torture and
Trauma Survivors (ASeTTS)
Autism Association of Western Australia
Avivo
Graylands Hospital – North Metro Area
Health Service, Mental Health
Headspace
Helping Minds
June O’Connor Centre – Activity
Program
June O’Connor Centre Inc. Subiaco
Life Without Barriers
– Disability and Mental Health Respite
Life Without Barriers – ICLS Community Living Strategy
Life Without Barriers – Migration Services
Mental Illness Fellowship of WA Inc.
(MIFWA)
Mental Illness Fellowship of WA Inc.
(MIFWA) – Mt Lawley
Mental Illness Fellowship of WA Inc.
(MIFWA) – Midland
Mission Australia – DAYS – Detox Unit
Mission Australia
– Drug and Alcohol Youth Service
– DAYS
Mission Australia – YASS
Multicultural Services Centre WA
Orion Services
Perth Home Care Services
Perth Inner City Youth Services (PICYS)
Port School
Richmond Fellowship – East Fremantle
Richmond Fellowship – Healthy Lifestyle
Richmond Fellowship – Personal Helpers and
Mentors
Rocky Bay – Getabout
Ruah Community Services
– Early Episode Psychosis
Ruah Community Services
– Inreach Program
Ruah Community Services
– Intensive
Ruah Community Services
– Ruah Inreach
Southern Cross Care
– Community Options
St. Bartholomew’s House
– Aged Care Program
St. Bartholomew’s House – CSRU
Sunflower Villas
St. Bartholomew’s House, Mental Health
Support Services – Arnott Villas
St. Bartholomew’s House, Mental Health
Support Services – Bentley Villas
St. Bartholomew’s House, Mental Health
Support Services – Swan Villas
The Salvation Army – Men’s
Homelessness Services Transition and
Integration Services
Uniting Care West
– Homeless Accommodation and
Transitional Accommodation
Uniting Care West
– Homeless Accommodation Support
Services – South
Uniting Care West
– Personal Helpers and Mentors
Whitelion WA
Workpower
Gratitude

Individuals
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Adrian Basso
Adrian Cloonan
Adrian Crawley
Alan Pascoe
Alan Quaife
Andrew Brackman
Andrew Exton
Hon Andrew Wilkie MP
Angelisa Watts
Hon Anthony Albanese MP
Senator Anthony Chisholm
Barry Silvester
Ben Davison
Hon Ben Wyatt MLA
Bill Cullen
Brian Hanson
Brian Millett
Brian Pressnell
Brian Taylor
Bruce Hill
Cam Butler
Carby Warby
Crackers Keenan
Craig Lynch
Damien Taylor
Darren Vowles
Dave Barrett
Dave Houchin
Dave Hughes
Dave Oliver
David Edie
David Rhys Jones
Dermott Brereton
Don Hume
Doug Hawkins
Dyson Heppell
Douglas Holmes
Em Egan
Emma Peel
Father Bob Maguire
Gareth Andrews
Gary Epple
Gavin Crosisca
Gerard Hart
Glen McIver
Glenn Hester
Glenn Watts
Graham ‘Smokey’ Dawson
Greg Barnes
Hon Greg Hunt MP
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Our 700+ Reclink Volunteers

Organisations
97.7 3SER-FM
ACT Justice and Community Safety Directorate
Able Australia
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ACT Health Directorate
Adelaide City Council
Adelaide FC
Adelaide Police
Adelaide Symphony Orchestra
AFL Central Australia
AFL Tasmania
AFL Victoria
Alice Springs Bowls Club
Alice Springs Correctional Centre
Allens Linklaters
Australian Council of Trade Unions
Australian Federal Police
Australian Football League
Australian Government
Australian Institute of Flexible Learning
Australian Performing Rights Association (APRA)
Australian Red Cross
Australian Trade Commission
Avant Card
Bakehouse Studios
Basketball Tasmania
Basketball Victoria
Bayside City Council
Beam Global Australia
Bendigo Bank
– South Melbourne
BHSS Stage Systems
Our National Footprint

Networks
Adelaide City, SA
Adelaide Hills/Murraylands, SA
Alice Springs, NT
Ballarat, VIC
Bendigo, VIC
Brisbane North, QLD
Brisbane South, QLD
Canberra, ACT
Fremantle, WA
Hobart, TAS
Ipswich, QLD
Kwinana, WA
Logan, QLD
Melbourne, VIC
Melbourne – East, VIC
Melbourne – North, VIC
Melbourne – South, VIC
Melbourne – West, VIC
Midland, WA
Moreton Bay, QLD
Perth, WA
Sydney, NSW

AFL Programs
Adelaide, SA
Alice Springs, NT
Perth/Fremantle, WA
Victoria
Youth Football, TAS
Yulara, NT

Sports Programs
Cricket
Adelaide, SA; Melbourne, VIC; Perth/Fremantle, WA; Alice Springs, NT

League Tag
Brisbane, Logan, QLD; Adelaide, SA; Perth, WA

Soccer
Brisbane, Ipswich, Moreton Bay QLD

Pool
Melbourne, VIC

Basketball
Melbourne, VIC

Lawn Bowls
Clearview, Adelaide, SA

Volleyball
Ipswich, Moreton Bay, QLD

Awards
2015 Spirit of Reclink Awards
Una Harkin, Brian Procopis, Bernadette McGrady, Australian Red Cross, Jeremy Maddison, Emmanuel College, Jay Larkins, Sunbury Leader Newspaper, Laura Kane, Mark Tremelling, St Mary’s House of Welcome, Alan Quaife

Peter Cullen Medal
2015 Winner
Jake Tuo, Sunbury Phoenix

Peter Cullen Medal
2015 Runners Up
Jessie Firebrace, Sacred Heart
Steve Bagley, Southern Peninsula Swans

Peter Cullen Medal
2015 Female Winner
Shaniqua Bysouth, Bendigo Victory

Sports Leagues
AFL Leagues
Networks

Cricket, Alice Springs
Lawn Bowls, Clearview
Lawn Bowls, Adelaide
Soccer, Adelaide
Adelaide City
Adelaide/Murraylands

League Tag, Brisbane/Perth/Fremantle
Soccer, Brisbane/Perth/Fremantle
Lawn Bowls, Adelaide
Basketball, Melbourne
Lawn Bowls, Clearview
Volleyball, Ipswich
League Tag, Melbourne
Basketball, Melbourne
Cricket, Alice Springs
Lawn Bowls, Adelaide
Soccer, Adelaide
Adelaide City
Youth Football, Hobart

Sydney, NSW

ACT

VIC

TAS

NSW

WA

NT
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