

## CEO's Message

Welcome to the first edition of Activ News for 2018. As we start the New Year, we are looking towards the future and continuing to provide quality supports to our customers.

I am pleased to announce that Activ was named as the new service provider of the Noah's Ark Toy Library on 27 February. Noah's Ark lends developmental resources and toys for children living with disability and was previously run by the Independent Living Centre WA (ILC). This is an exciting opportunity for Activ and I look forward to exploring how we can use the library to continue supporting Western Australians living with disability and their families.

Opportunities to recognise our staff and customers' achievements are an important part of our yearly calendar and we have already held two

graduation ceremonies for Activ Pathways. I was pleased to be joined by Her Excellency, the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AC, Governor of Western Australia, Activ's patron, to present 130 students with their certificates at a ceremony in Perth and then another 103 students at a ceremony in Bunbury. The graduates included Activ staff and customers and workers in the disability sector. I offer them all my heartfelt congratulations.

Planning has already begun for a number of events, including our annual Activ Artspace exhibition. Activ Artspace celebrates the work of our talented customers through an exhibition held at our office in Wembley.



We believe in the abilities of our customers and are very proud to be able to showcase their artwork to the wider community through this annual event. This year's exhibition will be launched in May.

Danielle Newport  
Activ CEO



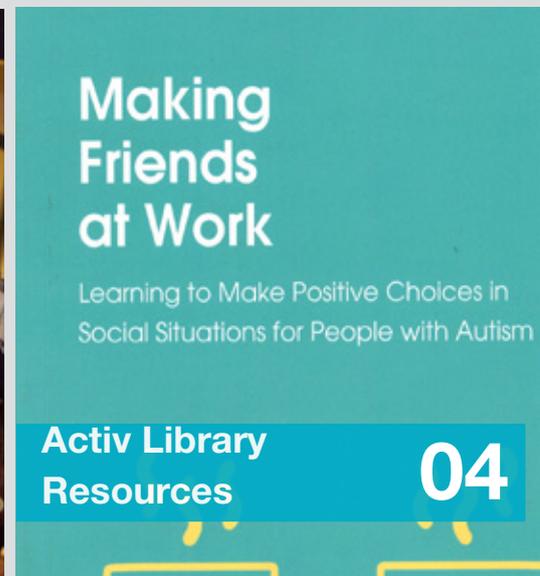
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## What's On

### World Down Syndrome Day

Wednesday, 21 March 2018

For more information visit  
[www.downsyndrome.org.au/world-down-syndrome-day.html](http://www.downsyndrome.org.au/world-down-syndrome-day.html)

### 2018 WA Disability Support Awards Gala Dinner

Crown Grand Ballroom, Crown Perth

Saturday, 28 April 2017

For more information visit  
[www.dswa.org.au](http://www.dswa.org.au)

### Activ Artspace

Activ Library, 327 Cambridge Street, Wembley

28 May to 1 June

For more information visit  
[www.activ.asn.au/activartspace2018](http://www.activ.asn.au/activartspace2018)

## Noah's Ark Toy Library to be run by Activ

We are pleased to announce that on 27 February Activ was named as the new service provider for the Noah's Ark WA Toy Library.

Noah's Ark is an iconic service that has been lending developmental resources and toys for children living with disability since 1975. The library was previously run by the Independent Living Centre WA (ILC), who have chosen Activ to succeed them through an expression of interest process.

This represents an exciting opportunity for Activ and we would love to hear your feedback about the services on offer and what you would like to see going forward.

The library was officially re-opened on Tuesday 27 March. You can visit the library between 9:30am-1:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 Bookham Street, Morley. We would love to see you there.

If you are interested in a membership, you can speak to one of the friendly staff at the library or call us on 9387 0458 or email [library@activ.asn.au](mailto:library@activ.asn.au).



## Jane Prentice visits Activ Bentley

On Tuesday 30 January, Activ had the pleasure of hosting Assistant Minister for Disability Services, Jane Prentice MP, at our Bentley Employment Services site.

The Assistant Minister toured the projects area and enjoyed the opportunity to meet our supported employees. She also met with a group of Activ leaders to discuss the Bentley site and its recent refurbishment.

We always appreciate interest from Federal Cabinet members!



Jane Prentice meeting some of our supported employees



On the floor of Bentley's Projects Area

## Hundreds of students cross the stage for Activ Pathways Graduations

Across two consecutive weeks, 180 graduates crossed the stage at the Astral Ballroom at Crown, Perth and the Sanctuary Golf Resort in Bunbury for Activ Pathways 11th year of Graduation Ceremonies.

The graduates included Activ staff, workers in the disability sector, and people living with disability, who had completed courses including: Certificate I Business, Certificate I Leadership, Certificate I Manufacturing, Certificate I Wider Opportunities for Work, Certificate II Business, Certificate III Individual Support, Certificate IV Disability.

The graduates received their certificates from Activ CEO, Danielle Newport in front of a packed audience. Perth graduates were also co-presented their awards by Her Excellency, the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AC, Governor of Western Australia.

Activ Pathways is a Registered Training Organisation that has provided 2,700 graduates with training in nationally accredited programs over the last 11 years.

One of the 2018 graduates, Antonio Amoroso – a supported employee from Activ Employment Services, Bentley – said that he has already begun applying his newfound skills from his Certificate II in Business.

“I’ve used what I’ve learned to set up my email and banking already and it’s making my life easier,” Antonio said.



Her Excellency addressing the graduates



Owen Anderson receiving his Certificate



A group of graduates in Bunbury

## Activ now offering HACC in Wanneroo

Last November, the City of Wanneroo recommended to its Council that Amana Living in partnership with Activ are the preferred organisations to provide Home and Community Care (HACC) services to their customers.

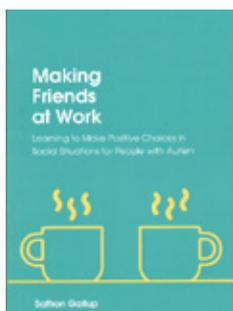
We are thrilled to announce that Activ has since been confirmed as the new HACC provider. We will begin offering a full range of in-home services such as cleaning, domestic assistance and personal care to customers in Wanneroo and Joondalup in the first week of April.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Activ and we are looking forward to working with each customer and their family and carers.



## Activ Library - New Resources

These are some of the new arrivals available for loan from the Activ Library. If you would like to see any of them please call us on **9387 0458**, or email us at [library@activ.asn.au](mailto:library@activ.asn.au).



### **Making friends at work : learning to make positive choices in social situations for people with autism**

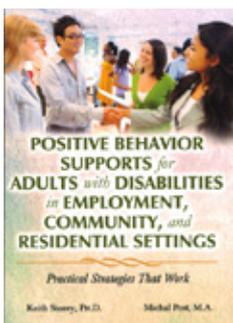
Gallup, Saffron. -- London Philadelphia, Jessica Kingsley : 2018. ix, 50 p. ; 20 cm.

Making new friends at work can be tricky - it's tough to predict how people will react to certain situations. This 'choose your own response' book shows you how these situations could potentially play out.

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Autism - Social Skills

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### **Positive behaviour supports for adults with disabilities in employment, community, and residential settings : practical strategies that work**

Storey, Keith; Post, Michael. -- Springfield, Ill., Charles C Thomas : 2015. ix, 186 p. ; 26 cm.

This book provides an overview of positive behaviour supports for adults with intellectual and learning disabilities that can be used by support providers in employment, community and residential settings.

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### **Hospital: Emergency / Planned Admission Forms – People With Disability**

West Perth, Developmental Disability WA Disability Health Network : 2017.

Developmental Disability WA and the Disability Health Network have developed two new informative documents that can be used to ensure a person with disability is understood and seen as a person by medical staff.

<https://ddwa.org.au/hospital-admission-forms/>

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