

CEO's Message

Welcome to the winter edition of Activ News for 2018. As the NDIS rollout continues in WA, a number of key milestones are approaching in the coming months.

In July, the National Disability Insurance Agency will assume full responsibility for the rollout and begin implementing the scheme in the Wheatbelt and Central South Metro areas. Our priority is – as always – the wellbeing of our customers and I would like to renew our commitment to supporting our customers and their families through this transition. If you would like more information you can call us on 9387 0473.

In May, we celebrated the launch of the 2018 Activ Artspace exhibition, held at the Activ Library in Wembley. The event was a wonderful celebration of our customers, their talents and their achievements. The 2018 exhibition was our largest

to date with over 70 pieces on display across both print and photography mediums. I would like to congratulate all of our artists.

Also during May, we celebrated the priceless contributions of our volunteers at a special evening during National Volunteers Week. Certificates were awarded to volunteers who had reached significant milestones.

I am thrilled that two of our support workers – Peach Franke and Janet Carroll – were nominated and acknowledged at the 2018 WA Disability Support Awards. These awards recognise people who provide the highest standard of support to increase the quality of life and inclusion of people living with disability.



Registrations are now open for our signature fundraising event, the Chevron City to Surf for Activ. It is always a fun, community event that helps us to build better, stronger services for our customers. In 2018, we will once again be supporting an All-Star team made up of our customers to complete the full City to Surf series. To register, visit chevroncitytosurf.com.

Danielle Newport
Activ CEO



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Chevron City to Surf for Activ

Albany	22 July
Busselton	29 July
Geraldton	5 August
Karratha	12 August
Perth	26 August

For more information visit:
<http://chevroncitytosurf.com>

Electronic Invoicing Now Available

Activ is offering customers and their family and carers the option to receive invoices electronically, rather than in hardcopy.

If you are interested, contact us:
Accounts.receivables@activ.asn.au
 or phone 9387 0554.

You can choose to receive your invoices fortnightly or monthly along with your monthly statement.

Nominate Someone Today for the Activ Service Awards!

Do you know someone deserving of an Activ Service Award?

Activ is now calling for nominations for the following awards for 2018:

- Honorary Life Governor
- Honorary Life Friend
- Certificate of Appreciation
- Certificate of Merit

Nomination forms and full eligibility criteria available from Policy, Governance & Administration Officer, Dionne Laurent.

Call Dionne on 9387 0489 or email
Dionne.Laurent@activ.asn.au.

Nominations close 13 July 2018.



It is time to lace up your running shoes again, because registrations are officially open for the Chevron City to Surf 2018.

The Chevron City to Surf for Activ turns 44 this year and is WA's oldest and most loved community fun run. What started out with 400 participants in 1975 has become an icon of the WA sporting calendar and one of the 'must do' runs in Australia. It's grown from a hero event in Perth, to a regional series in 2013 adding Albany, Busselton, Geraldton and Karratha, to make it the most community-based fun run in Australia.

Commonwealth Games gold medallist and Wildcats basketball legend, Damian Martin is Ambassador for the third consecutive year and will be there on the day along with a string of athletes from almost every sporting code plus the Activ All Stars.

Our All Stars are a team of five Activ customers living with disability, across the state, who along with their carers complete all five events. They personify Activ's efforts to help people living with disability live the life they choose. The All Stars is one of many stories that makes the Chevron City to Surf for Activ truly remarkable. Anyone can do it, we believe in you.

Whether you walk, run or roll the 4km, 12km, half marathon or full marathon, choose your distance, choose your charity, have fun, get fit, set goals and be active for Activ.

Register now at <http://chevroncitytosurf.com>. Don't forget to enter the code: ACTIVFAMILY18 for a 15% discount!



Artists Shine at Activ Artspace

From 28 May to 1 June, the Activ Library was transformed into a studio filled with colourful art for the 2018 Activ Artspace exhibition.

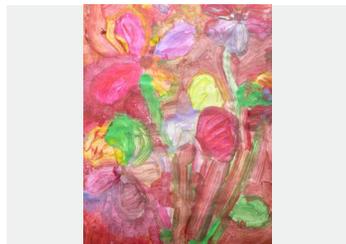
Launched in 2014, Activ Artspace is a free, public exhibition showcasing a range of artwork including photographs, paintings and drawings completed across a range of different mediums. The 2018 Activ Artspace exhibition featured an auction piece by talented Western Australian artist Joni Marlow. Joni is a resident of Activ's Accommodation service in Manjimup and is a prolific artist.

The exhibition awarded eight prizes for artists across a range of areas:

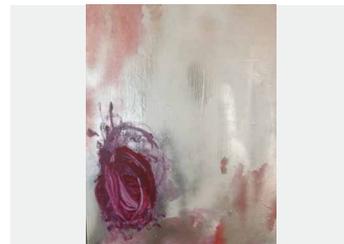
Paint Awards



Representational Award
Paul Mitchell -
'Walking Through Rottnest'



Encouragement Award
Elizabeth Hudson -
'Flower Art'



Abstract Award
Natalie Hook - 'Untitled'



People's Choice Award
Ros Burns - 'The Garden'

Photography Awards



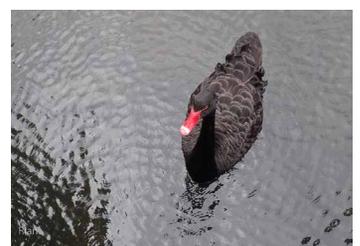
Originality/Creativity Award
Aaron Stockbridge -
'The Chosen One'



Composition Award
Anita Franklin - 'Peaceful'



Encouragement Award
Trevor Hilder - 'Star'



Judges Award
Rian Hronsky - 'Drifting'

Activ Library to expand in a new location

We are pleased to announce that the Activ Library and Noah's Ark WA will be moving to a new family-friendly and accessible facility in order to expand the resources on offer. This new consolidated service will be located at 71 Jarrah Road in East Victoria Park from early July this year.

During the relocation period there will be a temporary closure of two weeks whilst the resources and book collections are combined into the one service.

Further details on the progress of this unique and exciting specialist service will be available in the near future. In the meantime we would like to thank you for your patience. For more information email: library@activ.asn.au or call 9387 0458.



Fair Work Commission Review of Supported Employment Services Award



The Fair Work Commission (FWC) is currently conducting its four-yearly review of the Supported Employment Service Awards.

This review will decide how employees living with disability across Australia will be paid, including Activ's more than 1,000 supported employees.

The FWC has indicated that it would like to phase out current wage assessment tools, including the tool that Activ uses called Greenacres. They are working to develop a new, standardised wage classification system and have been examining recommendations from a range of organisations and stakeholders.

On 17 April, the FWC announced an interim decision, rejecting a recommendation made by advocates and unions to determine supported employee wages using the Supported Wage System (SWS). The SWS is a tool that determines wages for supported employees based on productivity and using independent assessors.

Instead, the FWC proposed a wage assessment method that would factor in both productivity and the complexity and scope of a job.

The FWC has asked interested parties to help design this new wage assessment system. National Disability Services (NDS), whose Board includes Activ CEO Danielle Newport, will participate in this process.

For more information you can read this article published by NDS: <https://bit.ly/2vMxnzv>.

Apply for an Activ Special Assistance Grant

Activ's Special Assistance Grant program provides funds for the development and general welfare of people with developmental disability.

It is anticipated that available funds for this year will be in the vicinity of \$10,000. Activ's Honorary Life Governors will assess applications for 2018 Special Assistance Grants at their annual meeting.

Examples of grants given in recent years are:

- An iPhone and Red Button App to allow an individual to live more independently
- Adjustable wheelchair ramps to allow an individual greater access to art studios.
- Provision of special harnesses in vehicles to allow the safe transport of a person to participate in People, Skills and Community Programs.

Grant application forms are available from Activ Policy, Governance & Administration Officer, Dionne Laurent. Call Dionne on 9387 0489 or email Dionne.Laurent@activ.asn.au.

Applications/nominations close on 29 June 2018.

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