



NEW HORIZONS EMPLOYMENT

NEWSLETTER

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On the 7th of March we had a great turn out for the Pizza Fiesta Night. All who attended had a terrific time. Congratulations to Paul V who won the Easter Lucky Door Prize. We look forward to seeing you all again at our next function. Enclosed is an invitation with all the details for the night. There was a great turn out for the last Disco Night that was held on the 29th February. An invitation is included for the next Disco at the Kalamia Hotel.



Kirsty N celebrating her birthday at the Disco



Janice, Mark, Andrew & Hayley at the Disco



Patrick and Rhonda



Stathy and Greg



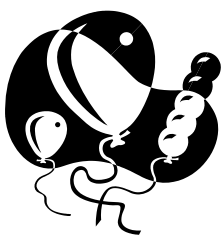
Paul accepting his Easter Raffle Prize

SUGGESTION BOX

We have a suggestion box in the office so anyone with any ideas on our service or for any improvement you would like to see us make you are welcome to make comments.

NEW REGISTRATIONS

Welcome to **Stephen L, Troy T, Steven O, Hazel Mc, David J & Elizabeth L & Stathios P** who have recently registered with our service. We are delighted to be working with them.



*Happy
Birthday!*

To all those clients and staff who have celebrated a birthday since our last newsletter – Happy Birthday.

April's birthdays were Shane A, George B, Kris J, Russell W, Dianne R & our very own **Lady Micola**.

May's birthdays were Michelle L, Darren O, Gloria B & Patrick B

June's birthdays are Karen B, Michael I, Stan M, Greg M, David Mc, James R, Bernard T, Ian S & Trinity A

July's birthdays are Aaron F, Jason L, Robert M, Neil S, Ronald G & Craig P

*Hope you all had a
great day*

and

*Best Wishes for the year
ahead*

COMPUTERS

New Horizons offers a number of state of the art computers within our office for anyone who wishes to come in and further their skills, receive some training, surf the net for available jobs through other networks, or update their resume. Please call in and see one of us and we will be only too happy to set you up and provide you with any assistance you may need.

DISCO

Enclosed is an invitation for the next "Disco Night" being held on the 4th July. Please come along and support this function. A great night is always had by all who attend. Thanks once again to Linda Dunn for organising this fabulous event.

KEEPING IN CONTACT

Please note that one of the requirements of registering with us is to keep in **regular contact** either by phone or in person. This is also one of our requirements to the government. You must also let us know if any of your circumstances have changed, i.e. job start / loss, increase / decrease in hours of employment, changed phone number, address or any other change in circumstance that may be relative to your being registered with us. If we can not contact you by phone, we will try by mail. If we still have no response we will send a registered letter. If we still have no contact from you we will have to contact Centrelink and notify them that you have not been meeting your requirements with us, which puts you at

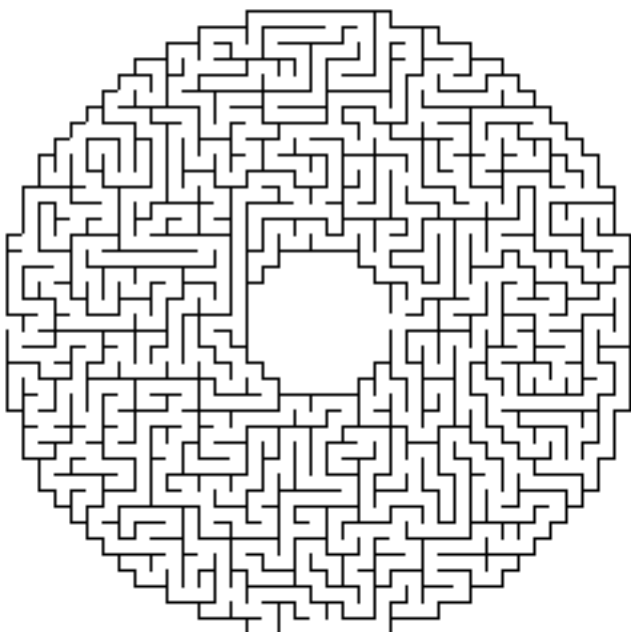
risk of having your Centrelink payment queried.

WORDSEARCH

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CLOWNS	DISPLAYS	FAIRY
FLOSS	FUN	HOLIDAY
RIDES	SHOW	WAFFLE

CAN YOU FIND THE WAY OUT?



CANBERRA TRIP

Mark & Jill went to Canberra on the 3rd June for the ACE Conference. ACE, otherwise known as The Association Of Competitive Employment, is the peak body for Disability Employment Agencies for people with disabilities. Changes & new government policies are the main focus of the conference. Mark and Jill will now be able to improve our service with the knowledge they gained from this trip.

ISSSP

On Monday the 23rd June, we launched a new program that we are running with Lynette Monday as the Indigenous Mentor. The Indigenous Soft Skills Support Program (ISSSP) will provide assistance to 15 indigenous men & women over a 20-week period. The program is funded by the Federal Government and will involve the participants partaking in various activities over the next 20 weeks. The first 8 weeks of the programme will focus on improving enthusiasm and confidence within themselves and gain overall belief in their abilities. The last 12 weeks of the programme will involve training in areas such as TAFE to help the participants develop individual job plans. This will involve areas of one-on-one and hands-on activities as well as discussions on participation including information in areas such as legal, rental and electoral issues. We are very happy to have been selected and given the opportunity to be involved with this programme by the Federal Department of Education, Employment

and Workplace Relations and welcome everyone involved aboard.

This quarter we bring you standards 10, 11 and 12 from the National Disability Services Standards...

**Standard 10
Service Recipient Training and Support**



**Learning skills so
you can work**



You can complain if an employment service does not give you the training you need to

- find a job
- keep your job
- learn how to do new jobs.

**Standard 11
Staff Recruitment, Employment and Training**



Having staff who can help you



You can complain if a service does not

- know what skills the staff need to help you
- have staff with the right skills to help you
- keep training the staff.

Standard 12 Protection of Human Rights and Freedom from Abuse



Being safe and feeling safe



You can complain if a service

- lets people abuse or neglect you
- does not stand up for your rights.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Burdekin Water Festival Parade & Mardi Gras, Saturday 6th September

DON'T FORGET

Father's Day, Sunday 7th September

JOKE

Easy Bait

There is a cattle dog laying in the yard and an old guy in overalls sitting on the verandah. "Excuse me, but does your dog bite?" a salesman outside the gate asked. The old guy looked up over his newspaper and replied, "Nuh". As soon as the salesman stepped inside the gate, the dog began barking and growling, then attacked. As the salesman flailed around in the dust, he yelled, "I thought you said your dog didn't bite!" The old man muttered, "Ain't my dog".

To all the Mother's out there – we hope you had a lovely Mother's Day!

