





Annual Report 2019-20



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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, by providing new and unique sports, arts/recreation programs and pathways to employment opportunities.

We target some of the community's most vulnerable and isolated people:

- Who are experiencing mental illness;
- Are homeless;
- Emerging from the justice system;
- Experiencing social and economic hardship;

Reclink Australia has partnerships with more than 478 community services, government, private organisations, and other agencies. Participants of this extensive network get access to our many programs and activities.

With our member agencies, we are committed to encouraging our target population group who are under-represented in mainstream sport to use Reclink Australia's activities as a means of engagement.

Why We Exist

We believe that sport, art and recreation are powerful tools to engage and support people within our community.

- Who have a disability;
- Tackling alcohol and other drug issues;
- Battling gambling addiction; and
- Who are young and excluded.



What We Do

Participation, Partnerships and Pathways: Reclink Australia delivers services across the country, with participation at the core of everything we do.

We promote and deliver the health, social, and economic benefits of activity to an often inactive population group.

Our programs bring together people from diverse communities.

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

Using our established networks we negotiate free or subsidised access to facilities, manage customised programs and competitions within existing facilities, and coordinate transitional programs to enable Reclink Australia participants to move into the mainstream community.

Chair and CEO Update

The second half of the 2019-20 year saw Reclink Australia step up to support the community through the unprecedented challenges COVID-19 delivered.

This required our staff to work with even greater dedication, compassion and innovation.

The COVID-19 pandemic halted our face to face operations, in all states, for a significant period of 2020. The challenge of supporting our communities took on a new focus as many more people needed support.

Reclink staff faced their own personal challenges living through COVID but remained dedicated to the task of supporting the members of our community living with disadvantage in their daily lives. On behalf of the Board, our funders, community partners, volunteers, and participants; we say thank you – and applaud your efforts.

A pivotal response to the COVID restrictions across Australia was the implementation of Reclink Connect and Reclink Sports Share. Connecting with people whose situations were exacerbated by COVID was a priority for the Reclink team. Through phone calls, texts, emails, and social media, we provided many people with a voice, a connection, and a reason to continue with their journey of improving their health and wellbeing.

Reclink Sports Share was launched, and led, by life member Hayden Legro and Founder Peter Cullen AM. The concept was to provide our many isolated participants with the equipment to remain active and involved. Thank you to Gordon Lawrence of Lawrencia Cycles, Hawthorn for their generous donation of 20 brand new bikes to our Sports Share Program. Sports Share will continue to be a part of Reclink and will be expanded nationally in time. You can read more about Sports Share and other Reclink programs throughout this report.

In every State and Territory, our member agencies are our critical partners in the community. It is through these agencies that our participants access our programs. We provide sport, recreation, and art activities to our member agencies, and they ensure our programs are targeting those who need us most. Our members have grown from 282 in 2018 to 478 in 2020. This is due in no small part to the Reclink National program funded by the Federal Department of Health and supplemented by State government departments. Reclink would like to thank the Hon Greg Hunt MP for his tremendous support in this area. In the coming year, we will surpass 500 members, making Reclink one of the largest networks of community services and community sporting agencies in Australia. Our hub and spoke social inclusion model remains unique in Australia.

I am pleased to report that our finances continue to be strong despite the challenges COVID presented. We operated on a budget of \$7,304,340 and we thank all our financial supporters; the Federal, State and Local Governments, our donors, sponsors, and the businesses and individuals that support our events and fundraising.

2020 has seen the cancellation of many planned events including our Community Cup, but the support of our community programs has enabled us to grow our services.

2020 is the 30th anniversary of Reclink Australia and we had big plans to celebrate the anniversary across Australia. Some of these plans have been deferred to 2021 but it is timely that we now acknowledge some that have made special and committed contributions to Reclink:

- Jack Watts and Mark Hardgrave retired as directors in 2019. Your dedicated, professional service to the Board is greatly appreciated;
- Cameron Hannebery, Grant Hansen and David Emerson have joined the Board.
 We look forward to your contribution over the years ahead;
- To our Board, thank you for the tireless hours of volunteer work you provide to ensure we continue to 'include the unincluded'. Our Founder Peter Cullen continues every day to inspire and engage and he continues to be a role model for us all;

- Andy Asser has been awarded Life Membership. Andy is the State Manager for South Australia with over 15 years of outstanding service with Reclink Australia and the former entity of Reclink SA; and
- Brian Presnell was awarded the Spirit of Reclink for 2020 in recognition of his personal journey and everyday support for Reclink programs and our participants.

There are many more people that contribute to Reclink throughout the year, especially the volunteers that give time graciously, willingly, and enthusiastically – all for the betterment of someone else. Every one of you should be heartened by the many outcomes and smiles that are recorded in this annual report.

Your efforts have enabled those smiles and the enjoyment that has become a part of people's lives.

Towards the end of the financial year John Ballis, CEO, moved on from Reclink. We thank John for his strong contribution over 7 years of service.

We welcome Dave Wells as our new CEO and we look forward to him leading Reclink to a new era with the same purpose and resolve to improve the lives of those who need us, who want us, and who want to partner with us in their journey. We welcome Dave and look forward to his guidance and leadership.

I (Michael) particularly want to thank Phil Morley who stepped up as Acting CEO as we searched for our new CEO. Phil's professionalism, can-do attitude and dedication to Reclink was first class and the Board is indebted to Phil for his leadership.

2020 has had its challenges and we reflect on the daily issues that confront those whom we are privileged to serve.

Whilst we look forward to the days when a vaccine is available to control COVID, the cure for poverty, exclusion and social disadvantage is a lot further down the road.

Reclink will continue to meet that challenge and we look forward to your support in 2021.

Michael Brown

Phil Morley Acting CEO

Corporate Governance

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

Peter Cullen AM

Founder

President 1992-2005.

Member of the Order of Australia 2000. Centenary Medal 2003.

Michael Brown

Chair since November 2018.

Board member since November 2018.

Bachelor of Education.

Bachelor of Commerce.

Karla Harman

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

Theresa Sgambaro

Board Member since February 2015.

Masters of Laws, Legal Practice,

Skills and Ethics. Bachelor of Business,

Accounting. Diploma of Financial

Services, Financial Planning.

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. (Resigned November 2019).

Laura Kane

Board Member since November 2016. Bachelor of Laws (LLB) (Hons).

Jack Watts

Board Member since April 2017. Bachelor of Commerce. (Resigned October 2019).

Marnie Gibson

Board member since May 2019.

Master of Human Resource

Management.

Bachelor of English.

Graduate Diploma of Business.

Cameron Hannebery

Board Member since February 2020. Master of Laws Bachelor of Arts

Grant Hansen

Board Member since June 2020.

John Ballis

Chief Executive Officer. Company Secretary. (Resigned June 2020).

Phil Morley

Acting Chief Executive Officer. Company Secretary. Since June 2020.



Founder's Message

Coronavirus has taught us how to adapt to the needs of a time that will be remembered as a significant period in history. Our work was brought into startling clarity when the community got called into isolation and social distancing. Reclink's mission of supporting people through various challenges in life, including isolation and loneliness through our regular sports and recreation programs has been turned on its head during COVID-19. Our focus was to keep people connected and engaged as the entire community came to terms with isolation.

The work of Reclink, connection and inclusion, became the national conversation.

We continued to include people through phone calls, online health and wellbeing sessions, daily reflections, and through quickly developing a base of online fitness activities. Our team has shown a massive amount of creativity, initiative, care and compassion, and a special thank you goes out to every staff member for their mighty response.

As fortune would have it, four years ago it dawned that a contribution to communities could be made by collecting unused sporting equipment (balls, bats, bikes and the like) from the community and sports clubs and using it to support our activities and programs. This equipment provides our team with tools to engage with some of the most disadvantaged and challenged communities within Australia, who simply would not have access to this equipment otherwise. Through the lockdown period we were able to adapt this approach into an innovation.

Reclink staff on the ground were able to identify who in our community needed equipment to remain active in their homes, or to keep kids entertained and active. Through scaling up our equipment donations (through funding for new equipment and donations of quality used equipment) we were able to meet those needs almost immediately to ensure people remained active and engaged.

Using the sporting equipment in their backyards and their homes were some of the only options available to our participants to stay active. Our Sports Share program was born. This program remains important during the restrictions across Australia. Sports Share has many wonderful stories of health, fitness, community engagement

and thankfulness emerging despite the pandemic.

Because people did not want to use public transport, bikes were in demand and we distributed over 400 donated bikes during restrictions, enabling people with a mode of transport and an easy form of exercise. This was especially positive for those leaving residential and recovery units. Thank you to each of our donors and volunteers who helped contribute to our Sports Share program throughout this year.

Thanks to John Campbell for his continued help repairing and distributing the donated bikes and to my brothers, Bill and John Cullen, for allowing us to have free access to storage and office space in Western Melbourne to support our Sports Share program. Thank you to the Salvation Army in Doveton for allowing us to utilise their space to grow Sports Share.

As I reflect on our new Sports Share program, I believe all sports equipment is created to bring joy. At Reclink we extend the life of sports equipment that then brings life to others. It's another way Reclink have tapped into dormant resources within the community and are helping engage more people to be active across Australia. In the language of COVID, Reclink 'pivoted' through innovation and growth. Thanks to our partners for pivoting with us. Let's dance.

Peter Cullen AM

Founder



Participant Stories

Paddy O'Dwyer

Paddy grew up as a sports-loving kid in Melbourne. In his teenage years he started dropping out of sport and started experimenting with drugs and alcohol. This lead to the likely spiral that left Paddy homeless and facing the possibility of serving time in prison for his actions.

At age 23 Paddy realised he needed to get control of his life again, and with support from his mother, he began his rehab at Windana in Ballarat. It was here that Paddy was introduced to weekly Reclink activities and was able to participate in team sports again, with competitive football and cricket being the highlights. "I felt like a kid again when going to the ground to play. I loved interacting with my teammates and the banter of the locker room", says Paddy.

Paddy always brought positive energy to the Reclink games, which was infectious to the rest of the group, this connection with a team environment made Paddy feel wanted and was the highlight of his week.

Paddy made connections and progressed again in sports to playing A grade basketball in the Ballarat competition. At 23 years old, Paddy's first game since juniors was a significant confidence builder, he loved the thrill of competition and the positive connections that he made. Paddy came to know it was okay to be himself and his confidence grew. He moved to Geelong with a good mate on a similar

journey. He completed a Cert IV in Community Services and is now employed in the mental health field.

"I want to thank Reclink for the opportunities they gave me, from the matches, the post-game BBQs, to the Peter Cullen medal, it always made me feel supported and needed", said Paddy. He is now continuing to study and is excited about adventuring, travelling, and starting a family.

"Reclink has given me a chance to enjoy life and taught me to be okay with who I am", said Paddy.



I am Indian born and adopted by a Tasmanian couple.

When people ask my story, I always get the same question – have you found your birth parents? Sadly, the system in India at the time of my birth was completely busted. The movie 'Lion' is another young Indian boy's unique story, what follows is mine.

I'm very lucky and am extremely grateful for the hand I have been dealt. My parents were Launceston based school-teachers. They had already raised three boys of their own and took me into their lives in 1981, age 2.

They taught at the Riverside High School in Launceston. In fact, they met at Riverside High. A real fairytale romance.

Launceston was a great place to grow up and my parents gave my siblings and I every chance at success. Whether it was ballet, gymnastics or the school football comps – my brother and sister received scholarships to attend a specialist ballet college in Melbourne – we were always well supported by an environment of love.

As I grew into adulthood, I found myself in small towns chasing work, playing local footy, engaging in activities that most Australians would perceive as "the norm". Kick the footy and drink a beer. Work, drink a beer. Most things in small town Tasmania, during the late 90's/early 2000's, seemed to have a drink attached to them.

I won't lie to you, I liked it. There is a euphoric feeling of being a young bloke experiencing and experimenting with the feelings – good and bad - associated to alcohol.

But as time wore on, it became apparent that what I thought was essential to social connection of the local footy team and the end of day work ritual was becoming an integral part of my lust for life.

It became my fuel. Now? It is my demon. I have tried all types of rehabilitation. Spent time in dedicated facilities. Cold turkey. None of them have worked.

What I loved about my involvement in the Reclink cricket tournament – played between a drug and alcohol rehabilitation program and a homeless shelter for men - was the fact that for two or three hours per week I was surrounded by positivity.

The social inclusion and acceptance of others is so important to the challenges of addiction. My end game is to be free. To have total control. And I work towards that every day.

Reclink plays a part in me achieving this and I hope to continue my involvement with its structured sport programs in the future.



National Funding Renewed

In May 2020, Reclink Australia welcomed a commitment from the Hon Greg Hunt MP, Minister for Health of \$2 million over 2 years to continue investment in our national program.

This funding extension will allow us to continue our structured sports, recreation, and arts programs. The programs are made available to our partners across the country, to bring along their participants and connect with new clients. Many of these programs take place in regional, rural and remote areas.

"We are extremely grateful for this commitment from the Federal Government and their appreciation for the work Reclink Australia does with some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people around Australia," Acting CEO Phil Morley said.

Our programs have been subjected to independent evaluations by La Trobe University's Centre for Sport and Social Impact, and have shown to deliver proven, positive results in reducing multiple forms of disadvantage.

Reclink participants felt the need to access mental health services less frequently, spent less time in a drug or alcohol facility, reduced their use of drugs and alcohol, spent less time in correctional facilities and less involvement with police, reduced rates of problem gambling, and experienced improved outcomes for both employment and housing.









active than usual since participating with Reclink



80%

have met more people since participating with Reclink



71%

have been more **confident** than usual since participating



73%

have felt more a part of the community since participating with Reclink



127

have been feeling **better about themselves** since participating with Reclink



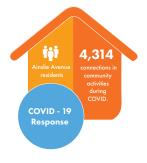
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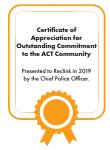
are more aware of other support services since participating with Reclink

State Reports









Our Safer Connected Neighbourhoods Program is a place-based justice reinvestment in the ACT, and is funded by the Department of Justice and Community Safety.

On-site most days, Reclink Australia connects with residents at public housing sites on Ainslie Avenue in Canberra, to facilitate access to services and undertake and promote ongoing participation opportunities in local events, activities, and programs.

Reclink Australia works with high and complex needs residents in the ACT who have been, are currently, or are at risk of becoming involved in the criminal justice system. When identifying our locations, we are informed by crime statistics from the Department of Justice and Community Safety. Reclink coordinates access to existing services

and introduces new ones that foster resident involvement by overcoming their barriers of participation.

The program has recently been evaluated by the Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC).

The findings of the evaluation provided promising evidence of the impact of community development approaches on crime prevention in public housing areas. The evaluation found that the Stronger Connected Neighbourhood Program (SCNP) is successful in developing pro-social and law-abiding community engagement among residents.

Service delivery has been extremely challenging in 2020, in addition to COVID, Canberra became one of the most polluted cities in the world in February due to the smoke from the

bushfires which raged for weeks. Many residents that our program supports were suffering from breathing difficulties and were unable to stay outside for any prolonged period of time. Due to our connections with the community we were able to provide comfort, support, and practical help to some impacted individuals. This included masks, a conversation, participation in an event, and from time to time support to access medical supplies such as Ventolin through the local doctor.

Reclink Australia recognises and greatly appreciates the ongoing support of the ACT Government through the Justice and Community Safety Directorate. Their support funds us to deliver the Strong Connected Neighbourhoods Program (formerly the High-Density Housing Safety and Community Project).





Queensland programs have experienced a year of growth and increased activity. Our member agencies are expanding in number and diversity of support services. We have been collaborating with community support services, local councils, sport and recreation facilities, and local coaches to provide a variety of fun activities to engage our participants.

We also partnered with Logan Together to roll out a pilot Mobile Outreach Program to take support services to neighbourhoods where residents may not have access to transport, translation services, internet, or family support.

Street Games

Group sports

Unique activities

Community events:

Social Inclusion week

NAIDOC week

NAIDOC week

Mental Health week

Street Games is a place based initiative targeting areas identified by local councils and key partners

Reclink meets the three key areas of Queensland's Economic Recovery Plan:

- Protecting our Health;
- Creating Jobs; and
- · Working Together.

The Reclink Skilling Queenslanders for Work Program is helping to deliver on the Queensland Government's economic recovery plan by providing a safe work environment that allows trainees to overcome their barriers to work.

One of our participants in the program, Peter - who completed the program in October 2019 - reports that what he learned from his time in our program is serving him well in his new role as a scaffolder.

Peter returned to tell us how much he appreciates all that we did for him and how confident he feels as a valuable employee.



Skilling Queenslanders for Work program



We extend our appreciation to all staff, and our community partners, for their continued support of our programs and the opportunities they create for people experiencing disadvantage. Thank you to the Queensland Government Department of Employment and Small Business and Training for funding the Skilling Queenslanders for Work program, and the Department of Social Services under the Community Resilience Program, for funding the Street Games Program.







From all of us here at Reclink South Australia we would like to share a heartfelt thank you to our participants, organisations, agencies, schools, and the wonderful staff involved in our programs. You inspire us with your stories, and you give us courage with your triumphs.



Our programs have been in demand. We have started working closely with Flexible Learning Options (FLO) Programs, Community Schools, and schools with students and families who are experiencing hardship. We have been helping to deliver their Outdoor Education, Duke of Edinburgh Awards, and have become a regular part of identified student's school timetables. Of great pride to our team is the fact we have supported two students to complete their Open Water Scuba Diving qualification as a part of their year 12 studies - an opportunity beyond reach to them and their families without Reclink.

This year has also seen us move into the Youth Justice space working with young people at risk of being in the justice system or who have parents or caregivers in the justice system. This program creates pathways to provide these young people life-changing experiences, providing hope, and igniting a passion to help positively direct their future. A 2019 study of over 87,000 children in Australia showed the significant negative impacts on children whose parents are involved with the justice system. (Australian Institute of Family Studies

We received a grant from the Department of Human Services to commence the Reclink Disability Futures initiative. This program gives opportunities to people living with a disability to try something different, find connections within the community, stay active, and most importantly - smile!

Thank you to everyone involved in our Reclink family - you make our community stronger. My special thanks to my team, Angie Mitchell and Symone Robertson for a year of amazing and passionate service to Reclink and our participants.













This year has certainly provided some challenges and increasingly impacted those within our community who were already facing isolation and disadvantage.

Through it all, we've managed to develop new and healthy relationships with some peak sporting bodies. They have assisted with securing equipment to place into our Sport Share packs as an extra surprise for members and participants. Thank you to the Wests Tigers NRL Club, Newtown Breakaways AFL, Western Sydney Wanderers (Soccer) Football Club, and Cricket NSW – all of whom are assisting Reclink into the future with programs right across the Sydney metropolitan region

As a result of needing to develop new approaches to delivering our services within the community, a new group of activities has begun.

We are excited to announce that fitness and dance sessions for a wide range of abilities are being enthusiastically embraced in green spaces and parks with wonderful support coming from local councils across the basin.

Thanks to the City of Sydney, Inner West Council, Fairfield City, Cumberland Council and Blacktown Council in particular.

Since formally being established in NSW, Reclink has had a strong and beneficial relationship with the Inner West Council. We've worked closely to host many programmes across this region for those in the community who might not have access to sport and recreation opportunities.

Flourish, Youth Off The Streets, The Asylum Seekers Centre, The Refugee Welcome Centre, the Newtown Neighbourhood Centre and several schools in the area have benefitted from this ongoing partnership.

Reclink is pleased to announce that we've entered into a formal relationship with the Inner West Council to further establish and develop programs and we look forward to a great future of new and exciting activities.







This year has certainly shown that Victoria has resilience in abundance. In a time where everything around us is changing, Reclink has developed new ways to support our communities and participants.

With funding from the Federal Department of Health our Reclink National program continues to create significant opportunities within City of Frankston, Mornington Peninsula Shire, and City of Geelong, with an ever-growing number of participants engaging in our Reclink Football and Cricket leagues. Within Central Victoria our programs have gone from strength to strength, and we thank the Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation for their ongoing support.

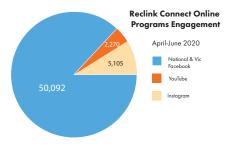
Victorians stood strong into the new year following the tragic bushfires across the state. We are proud to be able to support the recovery efforts within East Gippsland, and will be working within the Mallacoota and Cann Valley districts to deliver a wide range of opportunities with a renewed focus on mental health, whilst also providing elements of our Reclink Connect program to the wider region in partnership with the Victorian State Government and Bushfire Recovery Victoria.

Reclink is also excited to announce that we have partnered with VicHealth and Cardinia Shire Council to increase local participation in physical activity. Our focus is to create opportunities for members of the community with ill mental health or who are experiencing disadvantage.

We extend our sincere appreciation for funding support from the Jobs Victoria Employment Network, Bennelong Foundation, Department of Health and Human Services Southern Region, City of Greater Dandenong, Monash Health, McNamee Foundation, and all those who have made generous donations to our work this year.

To the incredible Reclink staff, volunteers, participants, members, partners, and funders who help tirelessly within our communities – a huge thank you to all. Reclink could not do what we do without your support.

Reclink Connect -Direct Participant & Member Agency Conversations 688 April-June 2020 Unique conto





Quick Response Grants

Thank you

City of Port Phillip, City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, City of Melbourne, The Phillips Foundation

Women's Indoor Basketball



• League helped create a safe and inclusive environment for female players

Together More Active



Thank you Victoria State Government -

Six in Six Youth Program



- 3 six-week programs in Casey, Greater Dandenong, and Cardinia targeting children and adolescents aged 6 to 15
- Participants can try six different sports over the 6 weeks
- Partnered with various State Sporting Associations





Tasmania COU Rebuilding Indians Richard Allanby

Once again there was significant growth and expansion to Reclink Australia's programs and reach in Tasmania, thanks to additional funding from the Tasmanian Government.

Reclink's Tasmanian membership now sits at 76 organisations for which we provide sport and recreational participation opportunities. We extend our sincere thanks to agency staff and volunteers from around Tasmania, who have worked tirelessly to develop activities to meet the needs of a very diverse client group.

Expanded programs in regional and disadvantaged communities



- A new initiative started in the Derwent Valley in collaboration with the Bridgewater PCYC
 - A Primary and High School AFL competition was played over 6 weeks
- Over 80 children attended an AFL Auskick program in Gagebrook
- 2 Migrant swimming programs for over 25 individuals
- A croquet program at Government House
- 6 week boot camp in the Risdon Female Prison





Netball Umpiring Course

- 6 participants from the Migrant Resource Centre Participants received:
- Theory, practical components and rules of the game
- Improved language skills, increased confidence and became more independent
- The opportunity to become certified netball umpires and officiate on weekends
- Opportunities for employment and connections to clubs



Bowlabilities Program

- 4 to 6 week program
- Coaching, fun, and learning
- In Launceston, 20 participants completed the program with some continuing on to become part of leagues.
- This initiative was built on the back of an All Abilities league,
 which was implemented in Hobart and was the first in Australia.
- Bowlabilities was run in collaboration with Ten Pin Bowling Tasmania,
 Ten Pin Bowling Australia, Zone Bowling Moonah and Launceston Lanes

Inaugural Disc Golf Championship

- 8 member organisations competing across a week in the North West
- 37 participants







In a year like no other Reclink Western Australia has continued to see steady growth in our member agencies. We now support 86 service providers in our Western Australian communities. Reclink has also continued to increase our footprint within the Rockingham community, thanks to the support received from the City of Rockingham.

This year our team were very proud to continue our partnership with Shalom House by hosting monthly sports carnivals for the residents of the rehabilitation centre. Shalom House has been a long-standing member of Reclink WA, and this incredible

organisation strives to restore the lives of men, women, and families in the community impacted by addiction and mental health issues.

"We needed to be innovative and try new ways to stay connected and engaged during these times. I am so pleased that Reclink has provided this new equipment to residents at Wilf Sargent", said Amanda Hunt, Uniting Care West Chief Executive Officer.

As restrictions eased, with the support of local facilitators, we were able to provide member agencies with a variety of COVID safe sport and recreation opportunities. As a national organisation we quickly developed our Return to Play and COVID Safe strategies and processes - this got us going again. These programs were well received by participants who appreciated the chance to reconnect and re-engage in a safe and supportive environment.

One example of activity as we emerged from lockdown here in WA was a new golf program. Golf provided a stimulating recreational activity for participants to enjoy the outdoors, whilst maintaining social distancing. Golf for folks is one thing. Golf for folks with a disability is next-level awesome.

"The fitness and social aspects and the routine that activities such as golf provide are crucial for building independence, community inclusion, developing motor skills, and to help maintain the mental and physical wellbeing of clients. It is a beautiful setting and we love coming here each week", said Vinod, Workpower Incorporated Community Program Support Worker.

"We would like to say a big thank you to Reclink for bringing purpose into the lives of our participants"

Shalom House Team











Reclink Australia – 30th Anniversary

Three decades ago Reclink founder Peter Cullen could be found walking the streets of St. Kilda with little more than a couple of footballs and good intentions. But as one of Reclink's great friends famously sung: 'From little things, big things grow...'

Reclink began as a network of community service providers who wanted to provide access to sport and recreation activities for their participants. That first meeting was a half a dozen organisations sitting around a table and planning the events for the coming months. "Each of us would run something and the rest of us would bring participants" recalls Peter.

Over the intervening 30 years the model has changed a little. We now partner with sports bodies and clubs, councils and others to run the events. All of the partners no longer fit around a table as we now have over 450 active partner agencies bringing clients to our activities and participating in our sporting leagues across the nation.

From humble beginnings, Reclink Australia is now part of national and state government conversations around mental and physical health, social isolation, unemployment, family violence, emergence from the justice system, refugee and migrant support, and problem gambling to name but a few. Our participation and inclusion services are part of a national solution.

Some things however have stayed the same. Reclink is still based upon an active network of community development agencies. We are still here for our agencies and their clients. And from time to time, if you look hard, Peter Cullen can still be found walking along the streets with a couple of footballs and good intentions.









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.

Reclink Australia travels to NSW – football and the Reclink Australia Olympics.

Reclink Australia PCYC is established in Hobart.

Funding is secured to establish Reclink Australia in South Australia.

1998

Reclink Victoria v Reclink SA at Punt Road Oval.

VicSafe Crime Prevention and Community Safety Award.

2000

Reclink Australia Super 8s played on the MCG.

2003

Reclink Australia partners with the Victorian Government.

Reclink Australia employs first staff member.

South Yarra FC is the first community football club to accept Reclink Australia participants.

Reclink Australia is a finalist for the Premier's Award for Community Participation.

2004

10 teams compete in the Victorian Reclink Australia Football League.

2005

Peter Cullen appointed as Reclink Australia Development Manager. Reclink Australia 'All Stars' game held at the MCG. The first Frank Galbally Cup is played between Melbourne's barristers

2006

and solicitors.

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

Reclink Australia established in Alice Springs.

The Choir of Hard Knocks is formed.

2007

Reclink Australia partners with VicHealth.

Reclink Australia established in Brisbane.

Federal Government announces partnership to

launch Reclink Australia nationally.

2008

Appointment of the first CEO.
IOOF Foundation became
a major community partner.
Reclink Australia established
in Western Australia

Staff members appointed in Brisbane and Alice Springs.

2009

Staff members appointed in Hobart and Canberra.

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









Plans for a **30th Anniversary** celebration are underway, stay tuned for details!

It is with great pride and a genuine sense of achievement that we look forward to expanding our reach and services for the next 30 years and beyond.

















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.

Federal Government contributes 2M to Reclink

National Program.

Three Skilling Queenslanders for Work Projects.

Expansion Reclink Victorian Football League.

Reclink Somali Youth Basketball League.

2018

Victorian Government funds \$4m for ActiVIC program.

Department of Social Services funds Reclink Street Games in QLD.

VRGF funds expansion of Victorian Football Leagues. Jobs Victoria funds Reclink Employment Services. AAA Play expands across Victoria.

2019

Queensland Government funds 5 SQFW projects.

Federal Government commits a further \$1 million to Reclink National Program.

Celebrating 25 years of the Reclink Community Cup.

Reclink Disability Employment Service commenced in Bundaberg and Kalkie.

Active Ageing program funded by the Federal Government

2020

The National Program was funded for 2 additional years.

Reclink's 30th anniversary. Launched Reclink Connect and Sports Share Programs.

Rebuilding lives through sport, arts and employment pathways

Access for Abilities



AAA Play have been incredibly successful in our growth and impact on the disability sport and recreation sector. This is in part due to the wonderful team of stakeholders and partners that we work with, and the tireless commitment to continuing to be progressive and deliver first class initiatives that better support our AAA Play community.

AAA Play is a website to guide participants of all abilities to engage a greater level of physical activity. It is the only resource of its kind in Australia that allows people to search for an accessible sport or activity in their area.

Engagements for 2019/20 were strong despite COVID-19. Web traffic

continued to increased month on month until March, resulting in an average across the twelve months of more than 4,600 unique visits per month, and reaching an all-time high of 7,293 unique visits during January 2020.

There were 294 non web-based enquiries, the majority of whom were looking to join a sport or recreation program and the remainder seeking advice, referrals, or to promote all abilities programs.

AAA Play have continued to keep pace with important website updates. How to be an inclusive club and the Disability Services Directory are new features that were added to the site. Users will be better able to find the activity that suits them after a website reconfiguration. This not only made navigation more user friendly, but also assisted in our preparation for 'Find an Outdoor Space'.

The COVID-19 pandemic saw significant changes to the environment as a whole

which impacted AAA Play in a variety of ways. During the lockdown period, all Find an Activity programs ceased, as well as the closure of Leisure Facilities limiting the opportunities for people with a disability to remain active and socially engaged. Many organisations developed online videos and live video chats to deliver sport opportunities. AAA Play responded quickly to the changing environment by introducing the 'Find an Activity for Home' feature. The development of Find an Activity for Home enabled users to filter their search and refer to one convenient library to engage in remote access activities.

AAA Play celebrated International Day of People with disabilities with their annual breakfast event in December 2019. There was an amazing line up of guests, including a keynote speech from Wheelchair Basketball Paralympian, Shelley Matheson and a panel discussion. The event was attended by nearly 50 people, including the AAA Ambassadors, live-streamed to a Facebook audience of 342 people.

As we continue to remain adaptable to the present day challenges, our mission to connect people with disabilities to sport and recreation opportunities remains at the forefront of everything we do. We thank the Victorian Government for their support and partnership in this project.





Figure 1: New and Returning Visitors to AAA Play Website

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

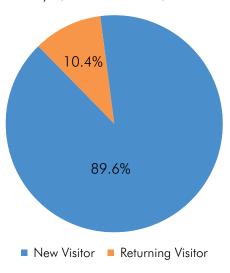


Figure 2: Gender of New Visitors to AAA Play Website July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

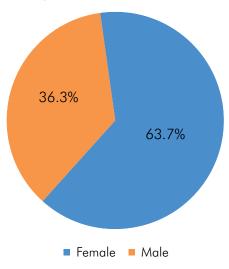


Figure 3: Age of New Visitors to AAA Play Website July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

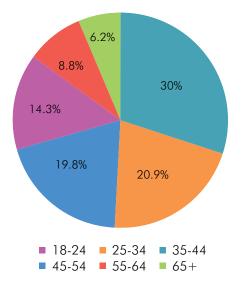


Figure 4: AAA Play Website Analytics 2019-20

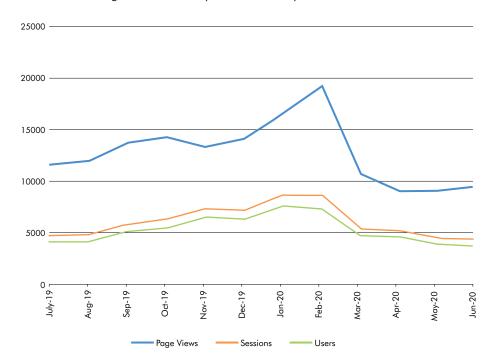


Figure 5: Total Unique Visits 2015-20





Community Partners



3RRR 102.7FM

For 40 years Triple R has shaped and inspired the culture of Melbourne. Triple R, along with PBS, have been massive supporters of the Melbourne Reclink Community Cup since 1997.



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.



4777 FM

4ZZZ are Queensland's longest running FM radio station. As a not-for-profit community broadcaster 4ZZZ endeavours to empower local communities through community broadcasting.



RTR 92.1FM

RTRFM is The Sound Alternative: an independent, non-profit community radio station that provides an alternative voice for Perth through innovative music and talks programming. RTRFM is an outlet to people in the community who might not otherwise have access to broadcasting; this means they promote music and information that cannot be found anywhere else.



PBS 106.7FM

Since 1979, community broadcaster PBS 106.7FM has been an integral player in Melbourne's diverse music community. Reclink Australia is grateful to have had the generous support of PBS for the Melbourne Reclink Community Cup over the course of the event's 25 year history.



Media Entertainment and Arts Alliance

Reclink Australia extends a huge thank you to MEAA for their ongoing support of the Reclink Community Cup.



Channel 31

Channel 31 Melbourne and Geelong is Victoria's not-for-profit community television service providing locally-based entertainment, education and information. C31 broadcasts over 90 new locally-made programs every week and they also broadcast the Melbourne Reclink Community Cup for those Victorians unable to make it on the day!

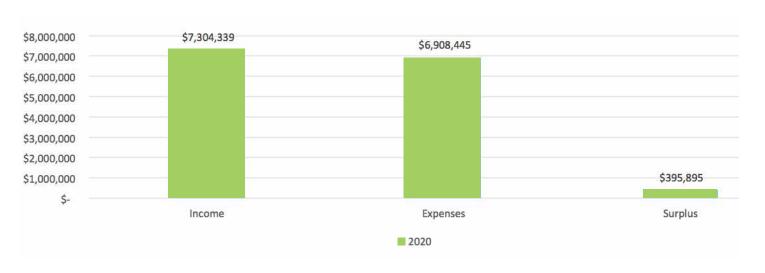
Steven Ugle:

"Reclink has been really good in my life. I really enjoyed the basketball program with Coach Josh. Reclink is good because the team who run it are great at organising fun things for me to join in on. I get discounts for activities that help me be part of the community.

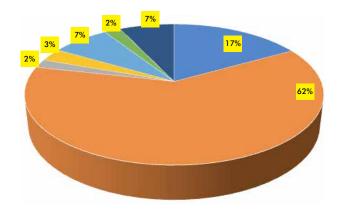
Thanks Reclink!" - Steven Ugle

Our Funding

Our Financial Performance

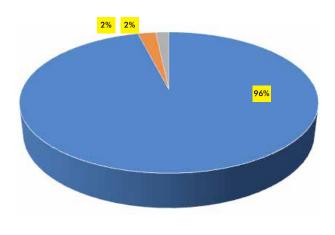


Source of Funds



- Federal Gvt Grants State Gvt Grants Local Gvt Grants Other Grants
- Donations, Interest, Membership Events & Fundraising Other Sources

How we use our Funding



Program Delivery Administration Events & Fundraising

Our Member Agencies

Reclink Australia has partnerships with 478 Member Agencies throughout Australia



Reclink's Response to COVID-19

In response to the COVID-19 restrictions and social distancing safety measures, Reclink Australia launched the Reclink Connect program in April 2020. This new program is based upon the Reclink Australia traditions of engaging those most vulnerable in our community and is designed to keep the community as connected and engaged as possible during the COVID-19 restrictions. This initiative continues to grow to include more opportunities for engagement.

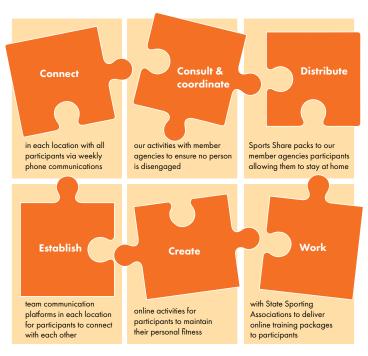
In addition to moving online for the delivery of our sports and recreation programs/activities, we also rolled out activities centred around mindfulness and wellbeing. This included innovations such as our morning reflections, weekly guest speaker series including sporting personalities who shared their personal and professional stories with us and webinar-style health sessions.

Adding to our enhanced online community approach, we held several online events. Our Reclink Footy Community Day was a whole day dedicated to last year's Victorian Football Grand Final Series. The day included game replays, live quiz game, live music, and a panel discussion with some of the AFL's greatest.

The entire team swiftly adapted to working from home and a comprehensive 'Return to Play' strategy was developed and implemented as the country slowly began to come out of restrictions; allowing our team, member agencies, and participants to return to doing what they love!

The Reclink Connect program consists of the following six key components:

COVID-19 Response Reclink Connect Program





Sports Share

Reclink Australia's Sports Share program was set up to provide community support agencies with new or used sporting equipment to distribute to members of the community suffering social disadvantage, exacerbated by COVID-19 restrictions. Importantly, the Sports Share initiative gives people of all ages the equipment and opportunity to be active both mentally and physically, helping them to remain socially engaged.

How the Sports Share program works:

- Reclink works with its member agencies, local government, and its community connections to identify those most in need of sporting and exercise equipment;
- We determine what equipment is needed for the individual or family;
- Using community and financial donation drives, Reclink sources a range of new and used sporting equipment such as balls football, basketball, soccer, netball bikes, cricket bats, tennis rackets, runners, and other fitness equipment; and
- With the support of volunteers within member agencies, sporting and community groups, Reclink staff assemble and deliver sporting items or packs for use by community members.

The initiative also plays a vital role in disseminating important information about Reclink's wide range of programs and resources that assist those affected by substance abuse, mental health issues, or disability.

The feedback received since commencing the Sports Share program has been overwhelming. We know it is putting smiles on faces and improving the lives of disadvantaged Australians, who are now able to connect with groups and their community through sport and healthy recreational activity.



Our Activities

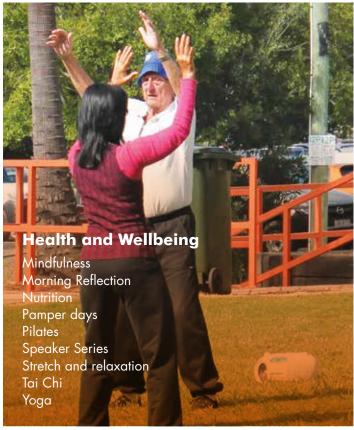
Reclink Australia, in partnership with our member agencies and with support from our strategic partners and supporters, has offered the following activities to communities throughout Australia. The 'whole of community' approach empowers our member agencies to determine which activities are needed in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











Our Members

With 478 health, welfare and community organisations currently engaged with Reclink Australia's programs, Reclink Australia continues to play a critical role in the community sector. We ensure that individuals and their communities are provided with participation opportunities.

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

- Free and low cost access to sport, art and recreation activities;
- Opportunities to introduce new activities for communities where there is an identified need;
- Networking and partnership opportunites with like-minded organisations; and
- Assisting disadvantaged communities to integrate into mainstream community based activities.

We would like to acknowledge our extensive membership network:

New South Wales (20)

Aftercare

Asylum Seekers Centre - Becher House

Auburn Diversity Services - Macquarie Office

Beehive Industries Co-operative Limited

Blacktown Womens and Girls Health

Centre

JESUIT Refugee Service - Parramatta

Mission Australia - Service Delivery

Western Sydney

Mission Australia - Sydney Centre

NEAMI National - Hurstville

Newtown Neighbourhood Centre

Odyssey House - Blacktown

Odyssey House - Sydney North

One Door Mental Health

Partner in your Care

Richmond PRA - Buckingham House

Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre

St John of God Healthcare

St. Vincent de Paul Society - Ozanam Learning Centre The Salvation Army - William Booth House

Weldon Children's Services

Queensland (61)

3rd Space

Act for Kids

Australian Federation of Obstacle Sports

-AFOS

Australian Red Cross - Jeay's Street

Community Centre

Best Disability Support Pty Ltd

Beyond Today Planning

Booty and the Beast Fitness

Bric Housing Company

Bridges Health and Community Care

Brisbane Housing Company

Bundaberg Indoor Sports Centre

Bundaberg Local Personalized Services

Bundaberg North State High School

Bundaberg RSL - Sub Branch

Bundaberg Special School

Bundaberg State High School

Bundaberg Youth Justice Service

Burnett Respite Services Ltd

Burnett Youth Learning Centre

Carers Link

Cerebral Palsy League

CIM Employment

Co-ordinated Support Services

Coast2Bay Housing Group

Community Lifestyle Support

Community Service Groups

Connections Inc. - Activities

CPL - Choice, Passion, Life

Deadly Boxing

FIRST (Foundation for Independence,

Recreation and Social Training)

Fishers of Men

Horizons College

Integrated Family Youth Service

Intercept Youth and Family Service

Kingston East Neighbourhood Group

Inc. (KENG)

Lives Lived Well

Lutheran Services

Metro North Adult Mental Health

Metro South Addition and Mental Health

Services

Micah Projects - The Hive

Multi-Agency Re-engagement Asdan

Program

Multicap - Pine Rivers

Multicultural Communities Council Gold

Coast Ltd

Murri Watch Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Corp.

Mylestones Employment

NEAMI National - Strathpine

Over 35s Football Ltd

QLD Health

Raw Awakening

Resilience Sailing Inc.

Southern Cross Support Services

St Vincent De Paul - Bundaberg

St Vincent De Paul Society Queensland -South Brisbane Men's Hostel

Steps Group Australia

The Salvation Army - The Family Place

The Salvation Army - Tom Quinn Community Centre

United Synergies Ltd

Wesley Mission Queensland

YMCA Community Services - Bundaberg

Youth Advocacy Centre Inc.

Zomi Community of Queensland Inc.

South Australia (102)

Adelaide Hills Community Health Service

Adelaide Hills Vocational College

Adelaide Youth Tranining Centre

Anglicare SA - Community Engagement

Anglicare SA - Kilkenny

Anglicare SA - Youth Services

Baptist Care - Westcare Daycentre and

Westcare Choir

Belgravia Leisure

Bowden Brompton Community School -

Beach Campus

Bowden Brompton Community School -

Little Park Campus

Bowden Brompton Community School -

Torrens Road Campus

British Sub Aqua Club - BSAC

Campbell Page Ltd - DES

Canteen Australia

Catherine House Inc.

CentaCare - Murray Bridge

CentaCare Catholic Family Services -

Wandana

City of Onkaparinga - Disability

Program

City of Port Adelaide Enfield

(Mem. 1316) - Youth Engagement

Community Bridging Services - Adelaide

Community Bridging Services - Elizabeth

Community Bridging Services - Kilkenny

Community Bridging Services - Murray

Bridge

Community Bridging Services - Port Adelaide

Community Bridging Services -

Community Bridging Services - Warradale

District Council of Mount Barker

District Council of Yankalilla

Eastern Fleurieu R-12 School - FLECS

Forensic Mental Health Service - James

Nash House

Fraser Park Primary School

Headspace - Adelaide (HYEPP)

Hills Community Options Inc. -

Mt.Barker

Hills Community Options Inc.-

Centennial Court

Housing Choices - Sth Australia

Housing Choices SA Ltd - North/East of

the city

Hungry No More - Mt Barker Uniting

Church SA

Hutt Street Centre

Hutt Street Centre - Aged City Living

Program

Ink Pot Arts Inc.

Junction Community Centre

Life Without Barriers - Mental Health

Respite

Life Without Barriers - SAFKI PIR

Life Without Barriers - South Terrace

Little Hamton Baptist Church

Mannum Community College

Mid Murray Council

Mind Australia - Burnside Residential

Services

Mix It Up - Live Life Your Way

Moorundi Aboriginal Community

Controlled Health Service

Mount Baker High School

Mount Barker South Primary School

Mt Barker Community Centre

Murray Mallee General Practice Network

Inc.

Murray Mallee GP Network

National Joblink - Paralowie

NEAMI Ltd - IPRSS

NEAMI National - Kangaroo Island

NEAMI National - Mt. Barker

NEAMI National - Victor Harbor

Northern Flexible Learning

Onkaparinga Council - Youth

Community Capacity (Mem#1315)

Relationships Australia - Elizabeth

Relationships Australia - SA West

Relationships Australia - SA, Adelaide

Relationships Australia - SA, Oaklands

Park

Relationships Australia - Salisbury

Relationships Australia SA - Hindmarsh

Relationships Australia SA - Time for Kids

Roma Mitchell Secondary College

SA Health - Ashton House

Seaton High School

Skylight City

Skylight Mannum

Sonder - Edinburgh North

Sonder - Emerge South

South Coast Nurturing

St John's Youth Services

St. John's Youth Services - Youth 110

SYC-HYPA, Learning - Studio West

Teen Challenge SA INC

The Australian Red Cross - Justice

Programs (Mem#1094)

The Duke of Edinburgh's International

Awards

The Salvation Army - Burlendi Youth

Housing

The Salvation Army - Towards

Independence

The Valleys Lifestyle Centre - YMCA, SA

Town of Gawler - Gawler Youth

Tyndale Christian School

Uniting Communities - Murray Bridge

Mental Health

Uniting Communities - Therapeutic

Youth Service

Uniting Communities - TYRC

Uniting SA (Formerly UCWPA)

Uniting SA - Salisbury
Unity Housing Company
Victor Harbor High School
Western Mental Health
Women's Safety Services SA (EADVS)

Womens Safety Services SA (NADVS)

YMCA - Fleurieu Aquatic Centre

YMCA SA - Youth Empowerment

YMCA South Australia - Community Strengthening

Youth Education Centre

Youth Inc.

Tasmania (69)

Able Australia Services - Hobart Able Australia Services - Launceston

Anglicare Tasmania Inc. - North

Community Services

Anglicare Tasmania Inc. - North West Community Services

Anglicare Tasmania Inc. - South Community Services

Bethlehem House

Bridgewater Police and Community Youth Club Inc.

Catholic Care - North

Catholic Care - North West

Catholic Care - South

Children and Youth Services

City Mission

Claremont College

Colony 47

Community Based Support

Cornerstone Youth Services - Burnie

Cornerstone Youth Services - Devonport

Cornerstone Youth Services - Launceston

Cosgrove High School

CVGT Australia - Burnie

Dept. of Education - Fairview Primary

School

Derwent Valley Youth Future Action Team

Disability Support Coordination TAS

Dudley House

George Town Council

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council

Glenorchy City Council

Hobart City Mission

HR Plus

Huon Valley Council - Community

Services

Langford Support Services

Launceston City Mission - Mission 2

a Future

Leap Occupational Therapy Pty Ltd

Li-Ve Tasmania

Life Without Barrier - Rocherlea

Life Without Barriers - Youth Services

Mates4Mates

Migrant Resource Centre (Southern

Tasmanian) Inc.

Migrant Resource Centre North

Migrant Resource Centre TAS -

Launceston MYT

Montagu Community Living

Montrose Bay High School

More Opportunities

Mosaic Support Services

National Joblink - Burnie

National Joblink - Launceston

National Joblink - Moonah

Nexus Inc.

OnTrack Tasmania

Possability - Community Day Service

Relationships Australia (Serenity House)

RFT - Richmond Fellowship Tasmania

RFT - Ulverstone Recreation and Life Skills

Richmond Futures

Risdon Vale Neighbourhood Centre

Save the Children - Launceston

Speak Out Association - Hobart

Tasmania TAFE

The Link - Youth Health Services

The Parkside Foundation

The Salvation Amy - Beyond the Wire

The Salvation Army - Bridge Program,

Moonah

The Salvation Army - Bridge Program

Ulverstone

The Salvation Army - Common Ground

Tasmania

The Salvation Army - Supported Housing

(SASH)

Velocity Church

Wise Employment - Devonport

Youth Justice North - Launceston

Youth, Family and Community

Connections Inc.

Victoria (140)

Alfred Health

Alfred Health - Caulfield

Anglicare Victoria - Box Hill

Anglicare Victoria - Dandenong

Arabic Welfare Inc.

Arbias - Community Programs

Arts Access Victoria

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

(Dandenong)

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre -

Footscray

Austin Health - Secure Extended Care

Unit

Australian Muslim Social Service Agency

Australian Red Cross - Migrant Support

Program

Belmont Manor

Bethany Community Support

Blind Sports and Recreation Victoria

Bolton Clarke and CoHealth Wyndham

Brimbank City Council - Delahey

Community Centre

Brooklyn House Supported

Accommodation

Brotherhood of St. Laurence

Calm Link Up Program

Campbell Page - Frankston

Carlton Baths Community Centre

Centre for Multicultural Youth - Carlton

Charis mentoring Inc.

Chisholm Institute - Dandenong

COHEALTH - Carlton Jamieson Way Community Centre Odyssey House Victoria COHEALTH - Collingwood Jesuit Social Services - Brosnan Services, Orygen Youth Health Brunswick COHEALTH - Footscray Our Place - Carlton Jesuit Social Services - Reconnect, COHEALTH - Melbourne City Port Melbourne Neighbourhood Centre Brunswick COHEALTH - Melton Prahran Mission Jesuit Social Services - Sunshine **COHEALTH - KENSINGTON** ReSoul Church Jesuit Social Services- Richmond Collateral Culture Sacred Heart Mission Inc. Kensington Community Recreation Comm Unity Plus Services Ltd SalvoCare Eastern Centre Community Veracity Ltd Scope - Coburg North Keysborough Secondary College Court Services Victoria - Melbourne SHARC (Self Help for Addiction Resource Latitude - Directions for Young People **Destiny Transformations** South East Community Links Didi Bahini Samaj Victoria (DBSV) Launch Housing (Home Ground and Hanover Welfare Services) South Sudanese Australian Youth United Diversitat Aged Support Launch Housing - Elizabeth St Spectrum - Dallas Djerriwarrh Community and Education Common Ground Services St Josephs Flexible Learning Centre -Leisure Networks Doveton Neighbourhood Learning Geelong Centre Life Be In It Support Services Australia St. Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre Pty Ltd Drug Court of Victoria - Dandenong St. Mary's House of Welcome **Drummond Street Services** Lighthouse Foundation - Kensington St. Vincent's Prague House **DVJS Employment Services** Mambourin Enterprises Sunshine Youth Space Matchworks - Frankston EACH - Narre Warren The Salvation Army - Adult Eastern Regions Mental Health McAuley Community Services for Service Network, Flagstaff Crisis Association Women Accommodation Edge Community Services - Werribee Melbourne City Mission - Frontyard The Salvation Army - Berwick Youth Services EDGE Community Services Geelong The Salvation Army - Geelong Melbourne Parkour Withdrawal Unit Ethio-Australian Youth Education and Melton City Council Culture Services The Salvation Army - Kensington Favour and Care DSP Mentis Assist The Wellington Collingwood Inc. Mid West Area Mental Health Outer aenU Unison Housing Mind Australia - Dandenong Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand United International Church Grow - Caulfield South Mind Australia - South Yarra Heaven Uniting Employment Moira - Youth, Disability and Family Himilo Community Connect - Banyule Uniting VIC TAS - St. Kilda Community Health Monash Health - Doveton Community Uniting VT - Cheltenham Hope Street Youth + Family Services Care Unit VincentCare Victoria - Glenroy Hub Hrun SRS Pty Ltd Monash Health - Refresh Program VincentCare Victoria - Quin House (FMHiCH) Ice Sports Victoria Inc. VincentCare, Victoria - Ozanam Moonee Valley City Council Impact Recovery Ltd Community Centre Ngwala Inner Melbourne African Australian Wallara Australia Norlane Community Initiatives **Partnership** Wellsprings for Women Inner West Area Mental Health Service -North Melbourne Community Centre Wellways Australia - Geelong Norfolk Terrace - Community Care Unit (YMCA) Western Health - Footscray Inner West Mental Health Services -North Western Mental Health -Moonee Ponds Broadmeadows Community Care Units Whitelion - Frankston Islamic Society Victoria North Western Mental Health - St Albans Windana - Dandenong

Windana Drug and Alcohol Recovery Inc. Interchange Inc. - Melville Southern Cross Care - Community Options - Mental Health Interchange Inc. - Morley Wintringham - Delahey Wintringham - Flemington Interchange Inc. - Rockingham Southern Cross Care Community Wyndham Community and Education Interchange Inc. - Spearwood Options - Bentley Centre Inc. Life Without Barriers - Ngatti House Southern Cross Care Community YMCA - Macleod LWB Disability - Warwick Options - Mt.Claremont YMCA Victoria - Dandenong Leisure LWB Mental Health - Bibralake Southern Cross Care Community **Facilities** Matchworks Employment Services -Options - Stirling Young Leopards Sports Club Rockingham SSBN.BE- School of Special Behaviour Youth Projects Melville Senior High School Needs Behaviour and Engagement Youth Support and Advocacy Service -Mental Illness Fellowship of WA Inc. YSAS, Eltham St. Bartholomew's House - Homeless (MIFWA - West Leederville) and Transitonal Services Youth Support + Advocacy Service -Mental Illness Fellowship of WA Inc. Dandenong (MIFWA) Midland St. Bartholomew's House - Sunflower Metropolitan Migrant Resource Centre St. Bartholomew's House, Mental Health Western Australia (86) Mind Australia - Kwelena Step Up Step Support Services - Arnott Villas 360 Health + Community Down St. Bartholomew's House, Mental Health 55 Central Inc. Mission Australia - DAYS - Detox Unit Support Services - Swan Villas Alkira Care Services Mission Australia - Drug and Alcohol Sudbury Community House Assn. Inc. Armadale Education Support Centre Youth Service -DAYS Association for Services to Torture and Mosaic Community Care Tender Care Trauma Survivors (ASeTTS) Multicultural Services Centre of WA The Big Issue WA Australian Red Cross - Lady Lawley My Way Community Alliance The Salvation Army - Crossroads West Cottage NEAMI National - Rockingham The Salvation Army - Harry Hunter Autism Association of Western Australia NEAMI National - Shenton park Recovery Centre Avivo - Osborne Park Nulsen Group Ltd (Outcare Inc. -Cahoots The Salvation Army - Homelessness Bayswater) Cana Communities Inc. Services Orion Services - Belmont Casson Homes Touchstone CAMHS Perth Inner City Youth Services (PICYS) City of Cockburn Port School Uniting Care West - Fremantle City of Stirling Richmond Wellbeing - Bassendean Uniting Care West - Homeless Ebenezer Aboriginal Corporation Richmond Wellbeing - Mandurah Accommodation Support Services Facilitatrix Australia Pty Ltd Richmond Wellbeing Fellowship WA -Uniting Care West - Wilf Sargent House First Choice Community Services Ngullamia Healthy Vinnies WA Focused Supports Pty Ltd Rocky Bay - Getabout Vision Australia - West Leederville Foundation Housing Rocky Bay - Rockingham Wadjak Northside Aboriginal Graylands Hospital - North Metro Area RUAH - Rockingham Health Service, Mental Health Community Group RUAH Community Services - DEPYS Headspace - YEPP Ruah Community Services - Inreach Warnbro CHS Education Support Centre Team Fremantle Helping Minds West Australian Group Shalom

SMP LifeSkills2Work - Rockingham

Team North

SMP Lifeskills2work

Ruah Community Services - Recreation

Whitelion WA

Youth Futures WA

Workpower Inc. - Bibra Lake

Services

Indigo Junction

Ignite Community Network

InCasa Aged Care and Community

Gratitude

Individuals

Adrian Basso

Adrian Cloonan

Alan Pascoe

Alan Quaife

Alistair Coe MLA

Andrew Brackman

Andrew Exton

Hon Andrew Wilkie MP

Angelisa Watts

Hon Anthony Albanese MP

Senator Anthony Chisholm

Ashlea Bradac

Barry Silvester

Bart Sheghen

Ben Davison

Hon Ben Carroll MP

Hon Ben Wyatt MLA

Bill Cullen

Mayor Dr Brad Pettit

Brett Walsh and the team

from Bar Pop

Brian Hanson

Brian and Virginia McNamee

Foundation

Brian Millett

Brian Presnell

Brian Taylor

Bruce Hill

Cam Butler

Chris Endrey

Carbie Warbie

Chris Wheeldon

Christine Couzens MLA

Cindy Carpenter

Clarke Finn

Crackers Keenan

Craig Lynch

Dr Cranky

Chris Dart-Kelly

The Cullen Family

Damien Taylor

Dan Adey

Cr Danae Bosler

Darcy Love

Darren Vowles

Dave Barrett

Dave Houchin

David Eadie

David Rhys Jones

Don Hume

Doug Hawkins

Dyson Heppell

Douglas Holmes

Eddie Williams

Em Egan

Emma Peel

Evan Reeves

Father Bob Maguire

Finbar O'Mallon

Fletcher Austin

Gabrielle Williams MP

Gareth Andrews

Gary Epple

Gavin Crosisca

Ged Kearney MP

Geoff Buchanan

Geoff Mcilvenna

Ocon Michveni

Gerard Hart

Glenn Hester

Glen McIver

Glenn Watts

Graham 'Smokey' Dawson

Grea Barnes

Hon Greg Hunt MP

Greg Tickner

Hank Hubers

Helen Cusack

Jack Reilly

Hon Jackie Petrusma MP

Jamin Heppell

Jane Howlett Minister for Sport and Recreation

Senator Janet Rice

Jay Hynes

Jenny Leong MP

Hon Jenny Macklin MP

Jeremy Dickson

Hon Jim Chalmers MP

Jo Cusack

Joanne Rockwell Joanne Ryan MP

John Campbell

John Cullen

Jon Von Goes

John Cicero

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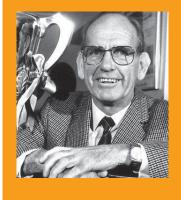
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Our Life Members











Greg Hunt (Deceased)

From the first meeting in Hobart at our mid-week youth football league for towns without sporting clubs, Greg gave great dedication and commitment. Greg remained committed for over ten years before he sadly passed away. He was employed by the Southern Midlands Council and was instrumental implementing the Tasmanian Youth Football league for Reclink in 2009. He also created several sports and recreation participation opportunities for students living within the Glamorgan Spring Bay, Sorell, and Southern Midlands councils. Greg is survived by his wife Gaye who attends the Reclink Gala day each year. The league which has meant so much to so many continues to move forward, and we at Reclink Australia are forever grateful for the work Greg did over this time in Tasmania.

Mick Miller (Deceased)

Mick Miller has been an executive committee member of the AFL Foundation since 1985. Mick helped Reclink receive our first funding through this body.

He showed great interest in Reclink football and attended every match for many years, helping to build the profile of the league. The players held him in high regard, and he was a valued mentor to Reclink founder, Peter Cullen. Mick helped form many important and valuable relationships for Reclink, including AFL legends Lou Richards and Allan Jeans.

Hayden Legro

Hayden became a life member in 2013 and has been one of the longest active Reclink volunteers, supporting us every step of the way. He was also a long-serving Reclink board member and co-founder of the Frank Galbally Cup. "I love being involved in Reclink as it touches lives and creates new experiences for people", said Hayden. Hayden to this day cares deeply for Reclink's mission, and recently accepted a position as the chairperson of the advisory group for our newly developed Sports Share Program.

Allan Jeans (Deceased)

Allan Jeans was a legendary AFL club coach. He got St. Kilda their first premiership and was their coach of the century.

Jeans also coached Hawthorn to three premierships during their golden era in the 80s and was a Reclink patron and life member before sadly passing away.

In his retirement, Allan responded to virtually every call Reclink made to him. He was well-liked and enjoyed inspiring sides with his pre-game talks during the Reclink grand finals. He hosted many football development days for our Reclink football leagues, helped with fundraising events, and even coached at the Frank Galbally Cup. He remains a much-loved figure in both Reclink and the wider AFL community.

Andy Asser

Andy joined Reclink in 1998 and was an integral contributor to launching Reclink in South Australia. Alongside Peter Cullen, they formed a Board where Andy acted as Chair for 2 years until Reclink received additional funding and he commenced his role as Sports Coordinator. In 2005 Andy accepted the position as State Manager in South Australia and he has been instrumental in developing programs that are truly transforming people's lives. Andy gives great acknowledgement to his team of staff and volunteers who help make everything they have achieved possible. Upon becoming a life member Andy reflects on the humble beginnings where they started with one agency running a Ten Pin Bowling program in 1998, now in 2020 we have over 100 members and are running multiple programs in the region. Thank you to Andy for his dedication and leadership and in his own words "the best is yet to come".

Our National Footprint

Reclink National Program

Victoria

Hastings/Frankston Dandenong/Doveton Corio/Norlane Melton/Sunbury

Tasmania

Ulverstone, Burnie Hobart, Devonport Launceston

New South Wales

Sydney Parramatta Blacktown

South Australia

Elizabeth Adelaide

Western Australia

Perth Balga Fremantle

Queensland

Caboolture/Fortitude Valley Logan/Crestmead Bundaberg/Widebay

Supported by the Tasmanian Government

Georgetown, Risdon Vale Glenorchy, Brighton

ActiVIC

Brimbank, Broadmeadows, Casey, Flemington, Geelong Greater Dandenong, Melton, West Heidelberg, Wyndham, VIC

Reclink Pop-Up Sports

Bundaberg, Caboolture, Fortitude Valley, Logan, QLD

Housing and Community Safety

Canberra, ACT

Reclink Employment Services

Bundaberg Central, Kalkie, QLD

Sports Programs

Cricket

Adelaide, SA Melbourne, VIC Perth/Fremantle, WA Alice Springs NT

League Tag

Brisbane, Ipswich, Moreton Bay QLD

Soccer

Brisbane, Logan, QLD Adelaide, SA Perth, WA

Pool

Melbourne, VIC

Basketball

Melbourne, VIC

Lawn Bowls

Mount Barker, Murray Bridge, SA

Volleyball

Ipswich, Moreton Bay, QLD

AFL Programs

Adelaide, SA Perth/Fremantle, WA Victoria Youth Football, TAS

Reclink Community Cups

Melbourne, Hobart, Canberra, Adelaide, Sydney, Perth, Brisbane

Reclink Connect

Victoria, Tasmania, ACT, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia

Pathways to Employment

Caboolture, Bundaberg, Wide Bay, Beaudesert, Crestmead, QLD South Melbourne, VIC

VRGF Football League

Central Goldfields, Latrobe Valley, VIC









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