

# The RIN Bulletin



Redlands Interagency Network

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2008

## BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE REDLANDS INTERAGENCY NETWORK

### MEETING REPORT

**Venue:** Redland Bay Community Hall,  
9.30am Friday 26 September  
**Chair:** Daryl Napper, Older Men's Wellbeing Groups  
**Guest Speaker:** Val French, Older People Speak Out

**Attendance:**

Pamela Doherty, Redland City Council  
Celia Settgest, St Vincent de Paul Society  
Sharon Reynolds, Open Minds Bayside  
Richard Hodgson, Older Men's Wellbeing Groups  
Elisabeth Lord, University of Queensland  
Ted Weaver, Older Men's Wellbeing Groups  
Rosanne Parkin, Women's Wellbeing Groups  
Debbie Morgan, Redland Bayside Child & Family Support Hub  
Daryl Napper, Older Men's Wellbeing Groups  
Simon Hampson, Work Solutions  
Rod Carter, Redland Seniors Action Group  
Bob Radley, Older Men's Wellbeing Groupss  
Jim Thiedeman, Older Men's Wellbeing Groups  
Fiona Smith, Department of Housing  
Neia Wong, Work Solutions  
Lisa Vantana, Kinkare / Council of Grandparents  
Dawn Stevens, Relationships Australia (Gambling Help Service)  
Marika Steel, Maybanke Accommodation & Crisis Support Service  
Christine Whittington, Bayside Tenancy Advice & Advocacy Service  
Dawn Montgomery, BoysTown (Mentor One volunteer coordinator)  
Amanda Burns, Older Men & Women's Wellbeing Groups  
Sue Seeto, Family Relationship Centre (Logan)  
Val French, Older People Speak Out

**Apologies:**

Wendy Kane, Prescare  
Susan Denne, Blue Care Redlands  
Wilma Gehrke, Seniors Enquiry Line  
Carolyn Brown, Queensland Health (Breastscreen Qld)  
Troy Hakala, Family Relationships Centre (Upper Mt Gravatt)  
Stephanie Snow, Department of Housing  
Letitia Bouloukos, Redland City Council  
Susan Russell, RDCOTA  
Tony Christinson, RDCOTA  
Lilian Flanagan, InSync  
Claudia Cunningham, Metropolitan South Institute of TAFE  
Ailsa Harding, Bay Islands Community Services

*Our apologies for any confusion over the Redland Bay Community Hall address. Our source lists it as Banana Street, however closer investigations reveal that it is actually located on Weinam St (at the end of Banana St)!*

Newsletter prepared by Janet Camilleri  
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### LOCAL NEWS

**NOTES FROM MEETING**

Special thanks to Daryl Napper for chairing the September meeting, and to Val French from Older People Speak Out, for sharing about the formation and aims of the national group "Carers Australia". Other items of note from the meeting:

- Fiona Smith from Department of Housing gave an update on the changes to assessment and allocation of public housing;
- Lisa from Kinkare/Council of Grandparents advised that a grandparent family support group is being set up in Redland Bay. Call Kinkare on 3287 1664 for more info;
- Chris from Bayside TAASQ is looking for office space in the Redlands. If you have any ideas, contact 3983 0016 or [baysidetenancy@bigpond.com](mailto:baysidetenancy@bigpond.com);
- A new women's refuge is being built in the Redlands for Maybanke Accommodation & Crisis Support Service.

*Pamela Doherty, Redland City Council*

**TAPAS EVENING**

The RIN is having a tapas evening to give members an opportunity for further collaboration among service providers & community groups in the Redlands.



- Who:** RIN members – please feel free to bring along other project or community workers
- What:** Tapas evening
- When:** Wednesday 26 November, 5.30–7.30pm
- Where:** Icon Bar, Raby Bay Harbourside, 152 Shore St West, Cleveland
- Why:** Catch up, network, debrief from 2008, celebrate end of year/Christmas, say goodbye to Pam – any excuse really!
- RSVP:** To [janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au) or 3829 8489 for catering purposes.

*Janet Camilleri,  
Redland City Council*

Community Development  
Redland City Council

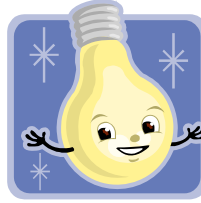
**FAREWELL PAM ...**

Pamela has resigned and will finish up as Coordinator Community Development on 10 December. You can catch up with Pam and say farewell at the tapas evening, or the next RIN meeting on Friday 28 November.

*Janet Camilleri, Redland City Council*

**HOME HELP**

Do you know someone who is over 60 years of age, receiving a government pension or allowance? If so, they're entitled to \$400 per financial year toward home maintenance and repairs through the Home Assist Secure program. Contact Council's Home Assist Secure on 3829 8478 for more information.



*Tracey Beaven, RCC*

**GET THE FUNDING YOU NEED!**

Looking for funding but don't know where to start? Get the help you need with the Community Grants Writing Assistance Program (CGWAP). Redland City Council offers this program to assist not-for-profit organizations or community groups to identify suitable grants, and to write and prepare grant applications. There is no cost to your organisation UNLESS you are successful in obtaining a grant, when a flat fee of \$200 applies! To find out more or receive an application pack, call Janet on 3829 8489 or email [janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au).

*Pamela Doherty, RCC*

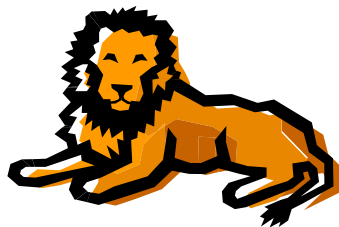
**SENIORS REFRESH SPACE**

Are you shopping or on errands in Capalaba? Do you need somewhere to rest, enjoy a tea or coffee and a biscuit, read a magazine or visit the library? Every age-pension Thursday, coffee, tea and biscuits are available for seniors in the Art Space in Capalaba Library (between Capalaba Park and Capalaba Central, opposite the bus station in Noeleen Street). Open from 9.30am until noon. A contribution of 50c would be welcomed. For further information, call Susan Denne, Blue Care on 3824 4555 or Tony Christinson, RDCOTA on 3488 0680.

*Susan Denne, Blue Care Redlands*

**MEETING VENUES**

Looking for a venue for your group's next meeting? The Alexandra Hills Sporting Club on Windemere Road has a function room that is available free of charge to not-for-profit organisations. Please call 3824 1303 to find out more. The Redlands Lions Club may also be able to assist, making their new hall (next to the Old School House Gallery) on Shore St West, Cleveland, available to not-for-profit groups. Contact Des on 3286 2485 or send your request to PO Box 52, Cleveland. Or, contact your local library and ask about their meeting rooms.



*RDN Minutes*

**FREE BABYSITTING COURSE!**

Save the Children Australia is running a FREE babysitting course for 12-19 year olds during the first week of the Christmas school holidays.

**Days:** Monday 15th to Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Times:** 10am – 3pm daily

**Where:** BABI @ 27 Waterloo Street, Cleveland

To find out more or to register, call or text Megan on 0488 077 883 or call BABI Cleveland on 3488 2533.

*Megan Brown, Save the Children Australia*

**GRANTS & FUNDING**

**SUPPORTING YOUR GROUP**

Want to apply for a grant? Wondering where to start? Need a letter of support? There is help available for Queensland self help / support groups! Please contact Trish at the Self Help Queensland office on 3344 6919 to discuss the possibilities.

*Self Help Qld newsletter*

**GREEN GRANTS**

Did you know that not-for-profit incorporated community organisations throughout Queensland can apply for grants of \$2000 - \$10 000 to implement the State Government's Low Carbon Diet program? The Low Carbon Diet helps households, groups and businesses reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by making relatively simple changes to everyday work practices. The program provides information and tools such as the Low Carbon Diet manual and training material for group facilitators. Call 1300 130 372 or visit [www.dimatesmart.qld.gov.au/get\\_involved/low\\_carbon\\_diet](http://www.dimatesmart.qld.gov.au/get_involved/low_carbon_diet).

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**INFORMATION & RESOURCES**

**LEGAL MANUAL**

Caxton Legal Centre is launching the *Incorporated Associations Manual 2nd edition*, which provides easy-to-read details about obligations and legislation. Order from [www.caxton.org.au](http://www.caxton.org.au) or call 3254 1811.

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**BACK TO WORK**

Civic Solutions has a job preparation program designed to help the long term unemployed return to the workforce. The course is based at Murarrie (handy to the train station) and participants can start anytime, as soon as the paperwork is completed. Contact 3347 9000 or email [j.kyle-scott@civicsolutions.com.au](mailto:j.kyle-scott@civicsolutions.com.au) to find out more.

*Janey Kyle-Scott, Civic Solutions*

### ADMIN WORK PLACEMENT

As part of Skilling Queensland for Work, Civic Solutions will start a training project in March 2009 for those interested in administrative work. If you have a client who may be suitable, or are interested in having a participant placed in your community organisation for 4 days per week for 15 weeks (at no cost to you), then contact Janey Kyle Scott on 3347 9000 or [j.kyle-scott@civicsolutions.com.au](mailto:j.kyle-scott@civicsolutions.com.au).

*Janey Kyle-Scott, Civic Solutions*

### NON PROFIT BOARDS

*Board Policies for Australian Non Profit Boards* by Maureen Cleary assists organisations through the confusion of policies, processes and responsibilities. It includes a CD to help you customize the generic policies to your organisation. This is just one of the resources available from the Better Boards Bookstore. Please visit [www.buildingbetterboards.com.au](http://www.buildingbetterboards.com.au) or call (02) 9799 4370 to find out more.

*Building Better Boards leaflet*

### VALUING VOLUNTEERS

The Department of Communities has recently released *Valuing Volunteers*, a range of resources to assist organisations who work with volunteers, as well as those who are contemplating building volunteer relationships. Find out more at [www.getinvolved.com.au](http://www.getinvolved.com.au) or call 13 13 04.

*Valuing Volunteers resource pack*

### MENTAL HEALTH PODCASTS

In an attempt to make information both accessible and convenient, SANE Australia has launched a series of podcasts. Each podcast focuses on a different aspect of mental health such as depression; obsessive compulsive disorder; schizophrenia; or eating disorders. For a full list or more information, contact the SANE Helpline on 1800 187 263 or visit [www.sane.org](http://www.sane.org).

*Olivia Fisher, SEAGP*

### DVD KIT FOR FAMILIES

SANE has also produced a DVD kit **for** families, **by** families, who have been affected by mental illness. Find out more at [www.sane.org](http://www.sane.org).

*SANE website*

### TRAUMA LOSS & GRIEF

This new network provides a website, forum, information and resources for people across Australia concerned with trauma, loss and grief experiences of children and adolescents. To find out more, visit [www.earlytraumagrief.anu.edu.au](http://www.earlytraumagrief.anu.edu.au).

*Auseinet Alert*

### CHILD PROTECTION FACT SHEET

A new fact sheet, *Children See, Children Do: make your influence positive*, was released in National Child Protection Week (7-13 September). It presents an overview of child protection in Australia, including how child abuse and neglect is defined, its prevalence, prevention and early intervention strategies. More at [www.aifs.gov.au/nch/pubs/sheets/fs1/fs1.html](http://www.aifs.gov.au/nch/pubs/sheets/fs1/fs1.html).

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### MULTICULTURAL MENTAL HEALTH

Multicultural Mental Health Australia (MMHA) has produced the entire *What Is* series in CD format. Produced in conjunction with SBS Radio, the CDs cover 11 mental health topics and are available in 22 languages. To order these free CDs, call (02) 9840 3333 or visit [www.mmha.org.au](http://www.mmha.org.au).

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### OUR VALUED SENIORS PHOTO COMP

Council of the Ageing Queensland has launched a photographic competition, looking for positive images of seniors in the community. The competition is open to amateur photographers, and winners in each category will win \$500. The categories are:

1. Seniors Ageing Well;
2. Seniors and Youth (intergenerational);
3. Diversity among Seniors – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, Australian South Sea Islander, culturally and linguistically diverse, and seniors from non English speaking backgrounds;
4. Seniors Volunteering and in the Workplace.



Photos are to be submitted as high resolution JPEG or TIF files on CD, or 20x25cm (8x10) print, with a title and a 50 word description. To obtain a registration form, contact 3316 2999 or email [web@cotaq.org.au](mailto:web@cotaq.org.au). Closes 30 January.

*Corinna Sonko, Home and Community Care*

### CONFERENCES & TRAINING

#### END DOMESTIC HOMICIDE

In recent years the London Metropolitan Police Service has had considerable success in reducing domestic homicide and serious assault. The Queensland Centre for Domestic and Family Violence Research is pleased to invite you and your colleagues to a FREE forum to hear more about this success from a representative of the London Metropolitan Police Service. You will also hear local experts speaking about their work, followed by an open forum.

**When:** Monday 8 December, 8.45am – 2pm

**Where:** Rydges Southbank, Brisbane

**RSVP:** Essential! morning tea & lunch incl. Please call Annie Webster on (07) 4940 7838, or email [enquiries@noviolence.com.au](mailto:enquiries@noviolence.com.au) to find out more.

*Women's Forum Australia*

### COMMUNITY CENTRED ECONOMIES

This conference is a collaboration between the International Association of Community Development and Community Development Queensland. *Community Centred Economies – Dialogue for Action* will be held at the Brisbane Convention Centre on 17-20 June 2009. If you would like to participate by sponsoring, presenting, or coming as a delegate, please visit [www.cdconference.com.au](http://www.cdconference.com.au) or contact [ingrid.burkett@iacdglobal.org](mailto:ingrid.burkett@iacdglobal.org).

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### STRATEGIC INDIGENOUS AWARENESS

This workshop provides an opportunity for participants to walk briefly in the shoes of Indigenous Australians.

**Date:** Tuesday 3 February, 2009  
**Time:** 9am – 4.30pm  
**Place:** Crowne Plaza, 2807 Gold Coast Highway, Surfers Paradise

Cost is \$20 for ISD target group, \$50 for non-target group, and \$100 for government workers; catering is provided. Contact the ISD project team on (07) 3234 1680 for more.

*Karen O'Donohue, InSync*

### CARERS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 2009 National Conference on Caring – *Building the Future with Family Carers* – will examine the current state and future direction of support for Australia's carers.

**When:** 9 & 10 March, 2009  
**Where:** Royal Pines Resort, Gold Coast  
 Whether you are a family member, carer, support worker, involved in policy or research, there will be topics of interest to you. More at: [www.astmanagement.com.au/Carers9](http://www.astmanagement.com.au/Carers9).

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### CHILD PROTECTION CULTURALLY

*An International Perspective: cultural issues in child protection* will be a free event.

**When:** Monday 24 November, 9am – 10.30am  
**Where:** Auditorium, Ground Floor, 111 George Street, Brisbane  
**RSVP:** To [joanne.hoger@childsafety.qld.gov.au](mailto:joanne.hoger@childsafety.qld.gov.au) or 3224 8185 for catering purposes.

*Joel Young, Dept of Communities*

### VULNERABLE FAMILIES FORUM

The Department of Communities and the Australian Research Council will present a forum entitled *Participation in Policy and Practice with Vulnerable Children and Families*. The forum will share and analyse the initial findings from a three year study into participatory practice in services to vulnerable children and families. Four partner organisations to this project will discuss their observations and experiences of participatory practice in a range of child and family service contexts.

**When:** Tuesday 25 November, 9am – 12.30pm  
**Where:** Auditorium, Ground Floor, 111 George Street, Brisbane  
**RSVP:** To [micah@merivale.org.au](mailto:micah@merivale.org.au) or call 3844 9122 by 20 November.

*Joel Young, Dept of Communities*

### FAMILY LAW FORUM

The Women's Legal Service will host a Family Law Forum on the 2006 Family Law changes.

**When:** Friday 21 November, 9am – 5pm  
**Where:** Riverside Receptions, 50 Oxlade Drive, New Farm

In addition to interactive sessions and guest speakers, the day will provide an opportunity for participants to share their observations and issues arising from their work. Cost is \$60 per person. Contact the Women's Legal Service on 3392 0644 or [admin@wlsq.org.au](mailto:admin@wlsq.org.au) to find out more.

*Lynne Blighton, Dept of Communities*

### RESEARCH AND REPORTS

#### NATIONAL DISABILITY STRATEGY

The Australian Government is conducting consultation for a new National Disability Strategy. The Strategy will aim to address the barriers that are faced by Australians with disability, promote social inclusion, and inform disability legislation, policy and standards. Submissions can be made until 1 December 2008. Download the discussion paper at [www.fahcsia.gov.au/internet/facsinternet.nsf/disabilitie/s/nds.htm](http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/internet/facsinternet.nsf/disabilitie/s/nds.htm).

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#### HOUSING DISCUSSION PAPER

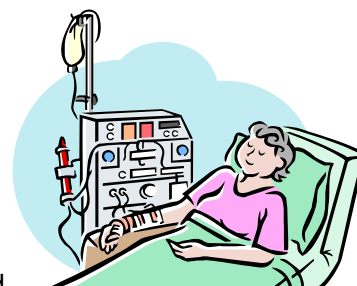
The Community Housing Federation of Australia's discussion paper on the National Affordable Housing Agreement is now available for comment at:

[www.chfa.com.au/Docs/Downloads/CHFA%20N/AHA%20discussion%20paper%20FINAL.pdf](http://www.chfa.com.au/Docs/Downloads/CHFA%20N/AHA%20discussion%20paper%20FINAL.pdf).

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#### PREVENTATIVE HEALTH

The National Preventative Health Discussion Paper, *Australia the Healthiest Country by 2020*, was released in October, and your feedback is invited.



To download the discussion paper, go to: [www.preventativehealth.org.au](http://www.preventativehealth.org.au).

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#### NATIONAL HEALTH CARE STRATEGY

*A National Primary Health Care Strategy* discussion paper has been launched, and public submissions are being invited. Go to: [www.health.gov.au/primaryhealthstrategy](http://www.health.gov.au/primaryhealthstrategy) for more.

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**TARGET DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

The Queensland Government is developing a new domestic and family violence prevention strategy, and the discussion paper is available for feedback until 19 December. Call 1800 081 934 or visit [www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au](http://www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au).

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**PREVENTING ALCOHOL ABUSE**

The Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies and the Department of Rural Health at the University of Tasmania have recently conducted the first major Australian trial of the 'social norms' approach to health promotion. The results are outlined in this paper, available at <http://tinyurl.com/4vgdc9>.

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**EVENTS****SPORTS & CULTURAL FESTIVAL**

The 15th Annual Sports and Cultural Festival will be held at the Whites Hill Sports & Recreational Reserve, Boundary Rd Coorparoo on 28-30 November. Cultural stalls, entertainment and FREE kids rides! For more information, contact [events@firstcontact.asn.au](mailto:events@firstcontact.asn.au) or 3420 4291.

*Anthony Peet, Qld Health*

**NEXT RIN MEETING**

- Date:** *Friday 28 November 2008*  
**Time:** *9.30 – 11.30 am*  
**Venue:** *The Gallery, Redlands Community Cultural Centre, Middle Street Cleveland (opp Police Station).*  
**RSVP:** *Please RSVP to Janet on 3829 8489 or [janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:janet.camilleri@redland.qld.gov.au).*

*I build strong foundations from the stones that are thrown at me.*

*Kay Hull, Australian politician*