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Hello Friends,

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Premier of Tasmania, the Hon. Will Hodgman MP, last month opened an exciting new initiative in Hobart. **The Neuro Hub** is a cooperative of four neurological organisations: Epilepsy Tasmania, Brain Injury Association of Tasmania (BIAT), Multiple Sclerosis Ltd (MS) and Stroke Foundation (Tasmania).

This initiative is exciting because together our organisations share a collective presence for people with a neurological condition. Sharing support and office resources enables us to direct more of our financial capacity to the people who access each organisation. Staff also benefit from shared information and peer support that enhances our collective voice.

There is an exciting collegial atmosphere within The Neuro Hub and I invite you to drop by, meet us all and add your voice to ours.

I hope you enjoy this edition of Brainwaves and, as always, I encourage your feedback.



Wendy Groot, CEO Epilepsy Tasmania.



Volunteers Needed

We are looking for 16 people to help for a few hours each at either of our two garden events below:

For our stall at **Blooming Tasmania's Flower & Garden**

Festival in Launceston on **Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September.**

AND, for our Open Gardens for Epilepsy event at **Woodbank Rare Plants** in Longley (30 minutes from Hobart) on **Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th October.**

Please [email](#) us if you can spare a morning or afternoon on either of these weekends and in return get free entry as well as a free Epilepsy Tasmania KeepCup (with coffee!) to enjoy during your shift and then take home.

Or put your name down over the phone: 1300 852 853.





Travelling Tasmania – Disability Expo

The Tasmanian Disability Expo is Tasmania's premium disability expo that connects people living with a disability, their families, and carers with local products and services. There are three free expo's around Tasmania, each open from 11 am to 5.30 pm.

Epilepsy Tasmania will have a stall at the Hobart Disability Expo on Thursday 30th August at the Derwent Entertainment Centre, 601 Brooker Hwy, Glenorchy. Come and chat with our Nurse (Joanne) and Social Worker (Shirley) about the range of services, products and support we offer.

Burnie Disability Expo – September 6th at the Burnie Arts & Functions Centre, Wilmot Street.

Launceston Disability Expo – September 13th at the Launceston Conference Centre, 50 Glen Dhu St, South Launceston.

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Our Launceston Office is Moving

From Monday 3rd September the Epilepsy Tasmania Launceston office will be located at 462 Wellington Street.

Our new office is wheelchair friendly, has plenty of parking right outside the door and is opposite a bus stop. Come by for a look and say hi.



A Masters Degree!

Congratulations to a previous Epilepsy Tasmania corporate intern, Lin Yu (Linda), who has just earned a Masters of Professional Accounting at UTAS.

A New Intern

UTAS entry year social work student, Samantha McDonald, is undertaking a four-month work placement

with Epilepsy Tasmania as part of her Bachelor of Social Work. Welcome, Sam!




In Loving Memory of Darren

Thank you Barbara and Katy Hall who stopped by today with a donation in loving memory of their son and brother Darren.

Donations were collected at Darren's funeral in lieu of flowers. We would like to thank them for their generosity and say how very sorry we are for their loss.



"Empathy is seeing with the eyes of another, listening with the ears of another and feeling with the heart of another." Alfred Adler



Epilepsy Tasmania is a not-for-profit community organisation improving the quality of life of Tasmanians with epilepsy, and those around them, through education, coordination and support.

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