



September Newsletter 2017



Hi and welcome to our Spring Edition.

We have lost another great self advocate Daisy Serong who Passed away on July 9th 2017 Daisy was only 75. Daisy was an amazing woman with so much

courage and a great sense of humour. Daisy was in Home of the Brave and many more videos. Daisy did a book about her life story. We are all going to miss Daisy. She is with John her brother together again.

Rest in peace Daisy you will never be forgotten.

We would like to hear from our members what you like about the newsletter? if you would like to receive the newsletter by email? I will make sure you get a copy.

Send in your email address to

gipsygirl88@bigpond.com or

sw@reinforce.org.au

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www.reinforce.org.au

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3CR painted by Amanda.

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Birthday Column:

We wish the following members a very happy birthday for last month



Colin Franks: August 10th.

Judith Buchanan: August.

If any of the members would like their birthday mentioned in the birthday column just SMS me your birthday and your name to (0439806000)

Melbourne through the eyes of a friend:

On the 28th of June I had a great time with my friends at Reinforce. Reinforce run a workshop as part of their Melbourne Through the Eyes of a Friend project. It had photos & videos & song writing. It was a great day thank you Sally and my Melbourne friends for inviting me to another awesome reinforce workshop with Jane Rosengrave, Julie Brasington Sally De Beche, Janice Slattery and John Slattery and many more.



My Tribute to Daisy:

I met Daisy in 1990,
I first started working for People First Of Victoria in February 1990
and Daisy was on the committee? our very first conference we went
on together was in Sydney in June 1990,
We were in videos and we did home of the brave and many more.
In 1990 we worked on 2 projects together with Women's health west
in Footscray, the projects was called Paps I should and Breast for
me to give women information about how to stay healthy and we
have become great friends and I am going to miss u on the phone
and in person, and I am going to miss our friendship we shared over
the years you have become a very special part of my life through the
good times and the bad.
You are at peace with your brother John and we will meet again one
day
Goodbye my friend I will never forget you.



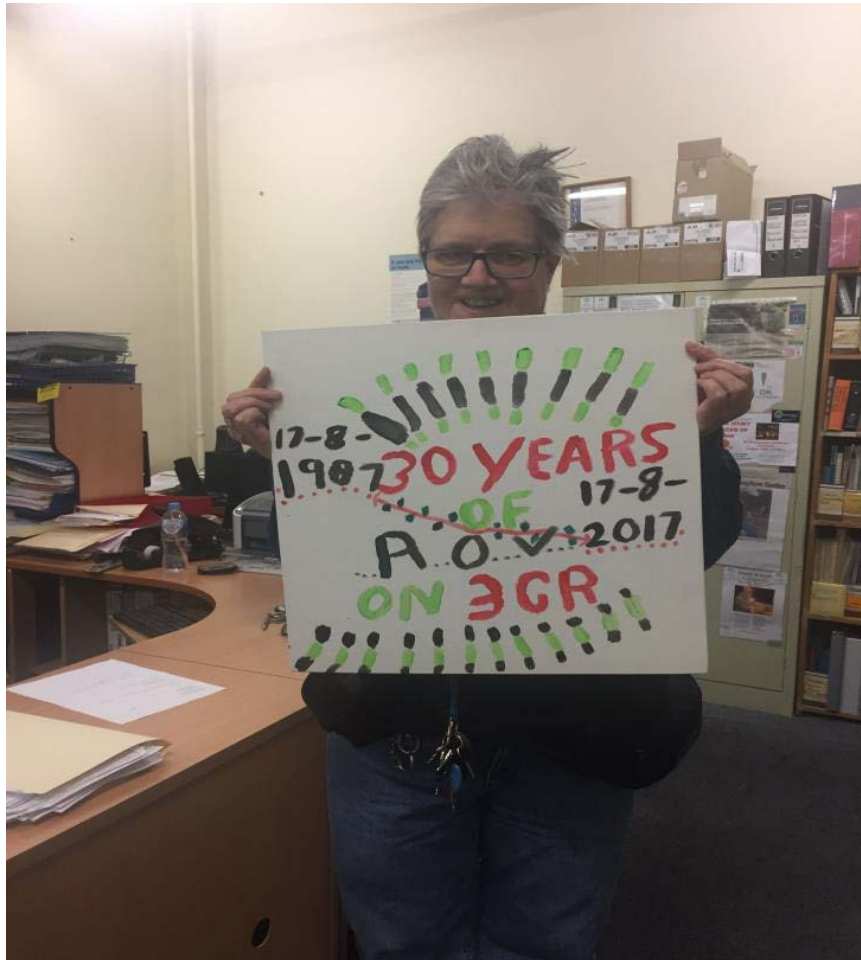
https://www.livingmuseum.org.au/exhibitions/Hear_our_voices/voices_5.html

Follow the link and it will take you to Daisy's story.

Hi my name is Colin Hiscoe and on Sunday 23rd July I was asked by the Australia Self Advocacy Project (ASAP) to go Adelaide for the second round of the project. On Sunday when we arrived at our motel I continued on to catch up with two of my friends which I haven't seen for quit a while. On Monday the 24th of July Self Advocates from Minda (which is an institution,) Our Voice, and Adelaide People First came to give us their opinion on questions that we were asking. I also got to ran self advocacy bingo and the answers to the questions were really fantastic.



Painted by Amanda Millear
July, 2017



Celebration for Raising Our Voices

In August, 2017 Raising Our Voices will have been on the air for 30 years. Back in 1987 a dedicated group of people with an intellectual disability who were passionate about their rights decided they needed a voice on Melbourne's airwaves. They got support from Reinforce, a self-advocacy group, AMIDA, a housing rights group and community radio 3CR 855am. Raising Our Voices has been raising the issues that people with a disability face in their own words and voices. The half hour show has covered issues about housing, abuse in institutions, and the goal of community living for all people with a disability.

Reinforce AGM

You are invited to the 30th Annual General Meeting (AGM) for Reinforce Inc.

When: Wednesday 1st November 2017

Time: 10.30am – 1.30pm

Where: Hayden RaySmith Room 4th Floor, Ross House, 247 Flinders Lane, Melbourne

Special Guest Speaker: Claire McNamarari
from the Office of the Public Advocate (OPA)

Lunch will be provided
Please let us know if you have dietary requirements

RSVP: by 18th October 2017

